

February Blocks

Log Cabin



Divide your yarn colors into dark and light shades.

Start center: ch 7, turn.

Row 1: sc in the 3rd ch from hook. sc across.

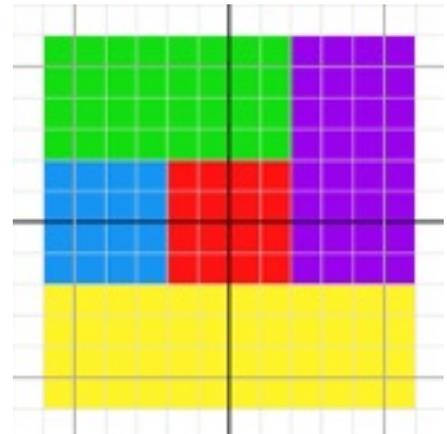
Row 2-finish: sc until you have a small square, cut and secure yarn.

Second strip:

ch to a light colored yarn. sc across one side of the center square, turn.

Row 1: sc crochet back and forth until the new strip is the same width as the initial square. cut and secure ends.

Changing to another light shade of yarn and sc across one of the longest sides. continue with this stitch back and forth until this strip is as wide as the center square. Rotate counter clockwise. Change to a dark shade of yarn and sc across the side, back and forth until the strip is as wide as the initial square.



Continue to rotate clockwise and change yarn along each strip with two dark and two light shades of yarn. When square is 6 x 6 inches cut and secure your yarn.

sc one row around the perimeter of the entire square. at corners ch 2 and sc two stitches to make your corners neat.

Plaidy

This square is created by crocheting back and forth alternating colors as you go. the vertical stripes are then added using the chain stitch.



Start: Ch 24, turn

Row 1: in the 3rd ch sp sc with your main yarn color. Continue across to end, turn

Row 2: ch 3 and double crochet across in main color (22 st), turn.

Row 3: drop the main color yarn and pick up 1 yard of a chosen contrast color 1:sc across.

Row 4: return to the main color (even if this is at the opposite side of your work, dc across, turn.

Row 5: change to 2nd contrast color, dc across.

Row 6: change to contrast color 2 and sc across.

Continue in this manner alternating main color and contrasting color and sc and dc rows.

To create cross hatch lines cut one yard of each of contrasting colors.

Using either a crochet hook or darning needle. create a chain stitch at right angles to your striped square. Place them in whatever way you find pleasant to look at.