

## Creative Grandma

Stitch of the Week
Pattern \# 248

## The Crochet Box Stitch

This Stitch Pattern is a Multiple of 10 plus 2.

For best results use recommended hook size listed on yarn label you are using.

## SPECIAL STITCHES:

Front Post Single Crochet (fpsc): insert hook from front to back and then from back to front around post of stitch indicated, work a sc.

## To make a sample swatch, ch 42.

Row 1: Sc in $2^{\text {nd }}$ ch from hook, skip next 4 ch, ( 5 dc , ch $1,5 \mathrm{dc}$ ) in next ch, skip next 4 ch, ${ }^{*}$ sc in next ch, skip next 4 ch , ( 5 dc , ch $1,5 \mathrm{dc})$ in next ch, skip next 4 ch *, rep from * to * across to last ch, sc in last ch, turn.

Row 2: Ch 1 , sc in beg sc, *fpsc in each of next 5 dc , ch 1 , skip next ch-1 sp, fpsc in each of next 5 dc , fpsc in next sc between current shell and next shell *, repeat across to within last shell, fpsc in each of next 5 dc , ch 1 , skip next ch- 1 sp , fpsc in each of next 5 dc , end with sc in last sc, turn. Fasten off.

Row 3: Pull new color through beg sc, ch 4 (counts as first dc plus ch 1) dc in same beg sc, * ch 3 , skip next 5 fpsc , sc in next ch- 1 sp at back of work behind shell, ch 3, skip next 5 fpsc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next fpsc between current shell and next shell on back of work behind sc of front of work *, repeat from * to * across to within last shell, ch 3, skip next 5 fpsc , sc in next ch- 1 sp at back of work behind shell, ch 3 , skip next 5 fpsc , (dc, ch $1, \mathrm{dc}$ ) in ending sc, turn.

Row 4: Ch 1, sc in beg dc, ch 1, skip next ch-1 sp, sc in next dc, *ch 3, skip next ch-3 sp , sc in next sc, ch 3 , skip next ch-3 sp, sc in next dc, ch 2, skip next ch-2 sp, sc in next dc *, rep from * to * across to last dc and ending ch 4 , sc in next dc, ch 1 , sc in $3^{\text {rd }}$ ch of ending ch 4 .

Row 5: Ch 4 (counts as first dc plus ch 1), work 5 dc in next corresponding ch- 1 sp 2 rows below in center of dcVst, skip next ch3 sp , sc in next corresponding ch- 1 sp 4 rows below next sc in ch- 1 sp of front shell only, * skip next ch-3 sp, skip next sc, (5 dc,

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Row 5 continue: ch 1,5 dc) in next corresponding ch- 2 sp 2 rows below in
center of dcVst, skip next sc, skip next ch-3 sp , sc in next corresponding ch-1 sp, 4 rows below next sc in ch- 1 sp of front shell only *, rep from * to * across to within last ch-3 sp, skip last ch-3 sp, skip next sc, work 5 dc in next corresponding ch- 1 sp 2 rows below in center of dcVst, ch 1 , dc in last sc, turn.

Row 6: Ch 2, skip beg dc, skip next ch-1 sp , fpsc in each of next 5 dc , fpsc in next sc between beg half shell and next shell, * fpsc in each of next 5 dc , ch 1 , skip next ch- 1 sp , fpsc in each of next 5 dc , fpsc in next sc between current shell and next shell *, rep from * to * across to last half shell, fpsc in each of next 5 dc , ch 1 , sc in $3^{\text {rd }}$ ch of ending ch 4 , turn. Fasten off.

Row 7: Pull new color through beg sc, ch 1, sc in beg sc, ch 3, skip next ch-1 sp, skip next 5 fpsc , (dc, ch 2, dc) in next fpsc between current shell and next shell on back of work behind sc of front of work, * ch 3, skip next 5 fpsc, sc in next ch- 1 sp at back of work behind shell, ch 3 , skip next 5 fpsc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next fpsc between current shell and next shell *, rep from * to * across to last half shell, ch 3 , skip next 5 fpsc , sc in ending ch-2 sp, turn.

Row 8: Ch 1, sc in beg sc, ch 3, skip next ch-3 sp, sc in next dc, ch 2, skip next ch-2 sp, sc in next dc, * ch 3, skip next ch-3 sp, sc in next sc, ch 3 , skip next ch- 3 sp , sc in next dc, ch 2 , skip next ch-2 sp, sc in next dc *, rep from * to * across to last ch-3 sp and last sc, ch 3, skip last ch-3 sp, sc in last sc, turn.

Row 9: Ch 1, sc in beg sc, skip next ch-3 sp, skip next sc, work ( 5 dc , ch $1,5 \mathrm{dc}$ ) in next corresponding ch- 2 sp 2 rows below in center of dcVst, * skip next ch-3 sp, sc in next corresponding ch- 1 sp 4 rows below next sc in ch- 1 sp of front shell only, skip next ch-3 sp, skip next sc, work ( 5 dc , ch 1 , 5 dc ) in next corresponding ch -2 sp 2 rows below in center of dcVst *, rep from * to * across to and including last dcVst, skip next ch-3 sp, sc in last sc, turn.

## Repeat Rows 2-9 for pattern.

When you get to your desired length, end with Row 9.

When working Rows 2-9 for pattern, color changes are in Row 3 and Row 7.

## Happy Crocheting.

