

Creative Grandma

Stitch of the Week

Pattern #97

Turkish Shell Stitch

This Stitch Pattern is a Multiple of 8 plus 2.

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

SPECIAL STITCHES:

Long Half Double Crochet (Lhdc): Yo, insert hook in indicated stitch, yo, pull through stitch pulling up a lp approx. ½ inches, yo, pull through 3 lps on hook.

Long Hdc Cluster (Lhdc cluster): [yo, insert hook in indicated stitch, yo, pull through stitch pulling up a lp approx. ½ inches, keep all lps on hook] across 7 stitches indicated, 15 lps on hook, yo, pull through all lps on hook, ch 1 to secure.

Double crochet cluster (dc cluster): [yo, insert hook in indicated stitch, yo, pull through stitch, yo, pull through 2 lps on hook, keeping last lp of stitch on hook] across 7 stitches indiacted, 8 lps on hook, yo, pull through all lps on hook, ch 1, to secure.

Half Double Crochet Puff Stitch (hdc puff):

[Yo, insert hook in indicated st, yo, pull through st pulling up a lp approx. ½ inches, keeping all lps on hook] repeat twice more in same stitch, yo, pull through all lps on hook.

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For Sample Swatch, ch 34.

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook, ch 2, skip next ch, sc in each of next 5 ch, * ch 4, skip next 3 ch, sc in each of next 5 ch *, rep from * to * across to within last 2 ch, ch 2, skip next ch, sc in last ch, turn.

Row 2: Ch 6, skip beg sc, 4 dc in next ch-2 sp, skip next 2 sc, sc in next st, * skip next 2 sc, (4 dc, ch 4, 4 dc) in next ch-4 sp, skip next 2 sc, sc in next sc *, rep from * to * across to last ch-2 sp, 4 dc in last ch-2 sp, ch 2, tr in ending sc, turn.

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Row 3: Ch 6, 4 dc in first ch-2 sp, skip next dc, work Lhdc cluster across next 7 stitches, skip next dc, * (4 dc, ch 4, 4 dc) in next ch-4 sp, skip next dc, work Lhdc cluster across next 7 stitches, skip next dc *, rep from * to * across to ending ch 6, work (4 dc, ch 2, tr) in ending ch-6 sp, turn.

Row 4: Ch 6, 4 dc in first ch-2 sp, skip next 4 dc, Lhdc Puff st in top of cluster st between skipped 4 dc and next 4 dc, * skip next 4 dc, (4 dc, ch 4, 4 dc) in next ch-4 sp, skip next 4 dc, Lhdc Puff st in top of cluster st between skipped 4 dc and next 4 dc *, rep from * to * across to last 4 dc, skip last 4 dc, (4 dc, ch 2, tr) in ending ch-6 sp, turn.

Repeat Rows 3 & 4 for pattern, ending with Row 4.

Finishing Row:

Work your project to the length desired ending with Row 4 of the pattern. To work the last finishing row to make your pattern straight, ch 1, sc in first st, sc in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, skip next dc, dc cluster across next 7 stitches, * ch 1, skip next dc, sc in next ch-4 sp, ch 2, skip next dc, dc cluster across next 7 stitches *, rep from * to * across to within last dc of ending 4 dc, ch 1, 2 sc in ending ch-6 sp. Fasten off.

Note: After you make your dc cluster stitch in the finishing row you will have the ch-1 used to secure your cluster stitch and then you also ch 1 as per instructions so you will have 2 ch sps.