



Creative Grandma

Stitch of the Week # 51

Easy Braids and Cables

Skill Level: Intermediate

Stitch Multiple of 8 plus 4.

Special Stitches: Front-post triple crochet (fp_{tr}):

Yo twice, insert hook from front to back to front around post of stitch indicated and draw up a lp, (yo, draw through 2 lps on hook) 3 times; fp_{tr} made.

To make a sample swatch, ch 28.

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each remaining ch across, turn.

Row 2 (RS): Ch 2 (counts as first dc), dc in each sc across, turn.

Row 3: Ch 1, sc in each dc across, turn.

Row 4: Ch 2 (counts as first dc), dc in each of next 2 sts, *fp_{tr} around next dc 2 rows below, skip next st, [fp_{tr} in each of next 2 dc 2 rows below, working in front of last 2 sts worked, count back to 3rd st to the skipped st, fp_{tr} in skipped dc 2 rows below] braid made, fp_{tr} around next dc 2 rows below, dc in each of next 3 sts on top of current row *, rep from * to * across, turn.

Row 5: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 6: Ch 2 (counts as first dc), dc in each of next 2 sts, *fp_{tr} around next fp_{tr} 2 rows below, skip next st, [fp_{tr} in each of next 2 fp_{tr} 2 rows below, working in front of last 2 sts worked, count back to 3rd st to the skipped st, fp_{tr} in skipped fp_{tr} 2 rows below] braid made, fp_{tr} around next fp_{tr} 2 rows below, dc in each of next 3 sts on top of current row *, rep from * to * across, turn.

Repeat Rows 5 & 6 for pattern, ending pattern with Row 5.