Creative Grandma

Stitch of the Week #151

Airy Shell Stitch

Skill Level: Beginner

Stitch multiple: Chain a multiple of 6 plus 4.

To Make a sample swatch, chain 22.

Row 1 (RS): Sc in 4th ch from hook, * skip next 2 ch, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch, skip next 2 ch, (sc, ch 3, sc) in next ch *, rep from * to * across to last 6 ch, skip next 2 ch, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch, skip next 2 ch, (sc, ch 1, hdc) in last ch, turn.

Row 2: Ch 3 (counts as first dc), 2 dc in hdc, * (sc, ch 3, sc) in ch-2 sp of next shell st, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in ch-3 sp of next V st *, rep from * to * across to last shell st, (sc, ch 3, sc) in ch-2 sp of last shell st, 3 dc in 2nd ch of ending turning ch, turn.

Row 3: Ch 3(counts as first hdc, + ch 1), sc in first dc, * (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in ch-3 sp of next V st, (sc, ch 3, sc) in ch-2 sp of next shell st *, rep from * to * across to last V st, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in ch-3 sp of last V st, (sc, ch 1, hdc) in top of ending turning ch.

Repeat Rows 2 & 3 for pattern.

Finishing Row (optional)

This finishing row you can use as the last row and you can also use it on the opposite end of your work across the foundation row to put a flat edge on your work.

Finishing Row: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, ch 1, 2 sc in ch-2 sp of next shell st, * ch 1, 2 sc in the ch-3 sp of the next V st, ch 1, 2 sc in the ch-2 sp of the next shell st *, rep from * to * across, ch 1, 2 sc in the last st across.

Stitched Used (USA crochet terms)

ch- chain
yo- yarn
sc – single crochet
hdc – half double crochet
dc – double crochet

Shell st – Shell stitch: (2 dc ch 2, 2 dc) in st or sp indiacted.

V st – V stitch: (sc, ch 3, sc) in st or sp indicated.

Free stitch tutorial for this pattern is on my youtube channel Creative Grandma