

Crayon Afghan

I made this for Benjamin when he was quite small. He saw a picture of one and had a 10p coin in his hand ready for me to buy him one.

I found my notes while I was looking through all the half written patterns I have on the computer, so wrote it up quickly.

I haven't tested it but I have altered any mistakes found by people who have made it. If you should find any more, please let me know.



Materials:

2 x 100g balls of DK yarn in black and one of each in 6 different bright colours, 4.00 mm hook, tapestry needle for sewing in ends

Tension:

I didn't measure this when I made it but after numerous washes, the tension is 15 sts and 12 rows to 10 cm Each crayon measures about 18 cm wide and 85 cm long

General Notes

Turning ch: the 2ch at beginning of rows is for turning only and not counted as a stitch unless other wise stated.

Joining Slip Stitch: This slip stitch is for joining only and not counted as a stitch.

Starting chain: Always work into the back loop of the starting chain. This gives a neater finish, making both the bottom and top of the work look the same. When working into unused loops, pick up both loops as you would when working into the tops of other stitches.

Changing colours: Work the last loop of the last stitch of the old colour in the new colour. When changing colours at row/round ends, work joining slip stitch in the new colour.

Right side: This is the outside or the front of the work.

Wrong side: This is the inside or the back of the work.

Stitches

hdc2tog: Yo, insert hook in st, yo and draw through, insert hook in next st, yo and draw through, yo and draw through all 4 loops on hook.

Instructions

Row 1: 27ch in red, hdc in 3rd ch from hook, hdc in next 24ch, turn. (25sts)

Rows 2-8: 2ch, hdc in each hdc, turn.
Change to Black.

Rows 9/10: 2ch, hdc in each hdc, turn.
Change to Red.

Rows 11/12: 2ch, hdc in each hdc, turn.
Change to Black.

Rows 13/14: 2ch, hdc in each hdc, turn.
Change to Red.

Rows 15-30: 2ch, hdc in each hdc, turn.

Row 31: 2ch, hdc in next 9hdc, hdc2tog, change to black, 2hdc in next hdc, hdc in next hdc, 2hdc in next hdc, change to red, drop black, hdc2tog, hdc in next 9hdc, turn.

Row 32: 2ch, hdc in next 8hdc, hdc2tog, change to black, 2hdc in next hdc, hdc in next 3hdc, 2hdc in next hdc, change to red, drop black, hdc2tog, hdc in next 8hdc, turn.

Rows 33-58: 2ch, hdc in next 9hdc, change to black, hdc in next 7hdc, change to red, hdc in next 9hdc, turn.

Row 59: 2ch, hdc in next 8hdc, 2hdc in next hdc, change to black, hdc2tog, hdc in next 3hdc, hdc2tog, change to red, 2hdc in next hdc, hdc in next 8hdc, turn.

Row 60: 2ch, hdc in next 9hdc, 2hdc in next hdc, change to black, hdc2tog, hdc in next hdc, hdc2tog, change to red, 2 hdc in next hdc, hdc in next 9 hdc, turn.

Rows 61-70: 2ch, hdc in each hdc, turn.

Change to Black.

Rows 71/72: 2ch, hdc in each hdc, turn.
Change to Red.

Rows 73/74: 2ch, hdc in each hdc, turn.
Change to Black.

Rows 75/76: 2ch, hdc in each hdc, turn.
Change to Red.

Rows 77-80: 2ch, hdc in each hdc, turn.

Row 81: 2ch, hdc2tog, hdc in next 21hdc, hdc2tog, turn. (23sts)

Row 82: 2ch, hdc in each hdc, turn.

Row 83: 2ch, hdc2tog, hdc in next 19hdc, hdc2tog, turn. (21sts)

Row 84: 2ch, hdc in each hdc, turn.

Row 85: 2ch, hdc2tog, hdc in next 17hdc, hdc2tog, turn. (19sts)

Row 86: 2ch, hdc in each hdc, turn.

Row 87: 2ch, hdc2tog, hdc in next 15hdc, hdc2tog, turn. (17sts)

Row 88: 2ch, hdc in each hdc, turn.

Row 89: 2ch, hdc2tog, hdc in next 13hdc, hdc2tog, turn. (15sts)

Row 90: 2ch, hdc in each hdc, turn.

Row 91: 2ch, hdc2tog, hdc in next 11hdc, hdc2tog, turn. (13sts)

Row 92: 2ch, hdc in each hdc, turn.

Row 93: 2ch, hdc2tog, hdc in next 9hdc, hdc2tog, fasten off and sew in ends. (11sts)

Edging: Work 2 rows of sc in black evenly around the edge.

Make 5 more "crayons" in different colours and sew them together.