

Bright Stripes Afghan

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This afghan works up quickly. I used left-over skeins of yarn I had on hand. If you want to include the pink in the multi-color stripe you will have to either alter the number of rows of each color, or substitute pink for the second orange. I did not do that because I didn't have enough pink.



Materials: H hook, 4-ply, worsted weight yarn, about 6 ozs each of orange, yellow, green, purple, navy, pink: needle for sewing in ends

Size: 44" x 56"

Common pattern abbreviations:

beg = beginning

ch = chain

dc = double crochet

ea = each

hk = hook

rep = repeat

rnd = round

sc = single crochet

sk = skip

sp = space

sl st = slip stitch

tch = turning chain

yo = yarn over

Pattern: multiple of 3 + 1

Shell = 3 dc

Strip Pattern: (make 7)

Row 1: With H hook, ch 16, 2 dc in 4th chain from hook, (sk 2 ch, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch) across. (right side) (5 shells)

Row 2: ch 2 or 3 (whichever gets you to proper height), turn, 3 dc in first sp between shells, 3 dc in each sp across, dc in last st of last shell. (4 shells)

Row 3: ch 2 or 3, turn, 2 dc in first sp (before your first shell), 3 dc in ea sp across. (5 shells)

Row 4-101: Repeat rows 2 and 3.

Strip Border: On right side of strip, join black with a slip stitch in first dc of last row. (ch 3, dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in first st, ch 1, skip next shell (sideways), in next space work 3 dc. *(Ch 1, skip next shell, 3 dc) along side until you get to the next corner*, Work (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in the corner. Continue working the section between the * until all sides have been completed. Join with a slip stitch to first st.

When all strips have been bordered in black, you need to join them. I used a join-as-you-go for grannies (instructions available at Crochet Cabana http://www.crochetcabana.com/tutorials/joining_squares3.htm). You could also use a simple whipstitch.

Afghan Border:

Rnd 1: On right side, join black with a slip stitch in any corner space, sc in each dc and each 1 space around

Rnd 2: (sc, ch 3, sk 1)