MEDITERRANEAN DREAMS AFGHAN

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**GAUGE**

Rnds 1–4 = 4 inches across

**PATTERN NOTES**

- Chain-3 at beginning of round counts as first double crochet unless otherwise stated.
- Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.
- Chain-4 at beginning of round counts as first treble crochet unless otherwise stated.

**SPECIAL STITCHES**

- **Cluster (cl):** Holding back last lp of each st on hook, 3 dc as indicated in instructions, yo, pull through all lps on hook.
- **Picot:** Ch 3, sc in 3rd ch from hook.

**AFGHAN**

**Motif**

Make 48.

**Rnd 1:** With vivid blue, ch 4, sl st in first ch to form ring, ch 3 (see Pattern Notes), 11 dc in ring, join (see Pattern Notes) in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (12 dc)

**Rnd 2:** Ch 4, sk next 2 sts, [sl st in next st, ch 4, sk next 2 sts] around, join in joining sl st of last rnd. Place locking st marker in lp on hook, drop lp from hook.

**Rnd 3:** Working in dc on rnd 1 and in front of ch-4 sps on rnd 2, join natural in any dc on rnd 1, ch 4 (see Pattern Notes), picot (see Special Stitches), ch 1, [tr in next st, picot, ch 1] around, join in 4th ch of beg ch-4. Fasten off.

**Rnd 4:** Place lp from st marker onto hook, with vivid blue, sl st in first ch-4 sp on rnd 2, ch 4, 3 tr in same ch sp, ch 3, [4 tr in next ch-4 sp, ch 3] around, join in 4th ch of beg ch-4. (4 ch-3 sps, 16 tr)

**Rnd 5:** Ch 4, tr in each of next 3 sts, *(2 tr, ch 3, 2 tr) in next ch-3 sp (corner)**, tr in each of next 4 sts, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in 4th ch of beg ch-4. (4 tr, 52 dc)

**Rnd 6:** Ch 3, dc in next st, dc in next picot on rnd 3, dc in each of next 4 sts, *(2 dc, tr in each of next 2 picots on rnd 3, 2 dc) in next corner ch sp**, dc in each of next 4 sts, dc in next picot on rnd 3, dc in each of next 4 sts, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, dc in each of last 2 sts, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (8 tr, 52 dc)

**Rnd 7:** Join natural in 2nd tr on any corner, ch 3, dc in each of next 15 sts, ch 3, [dc in each of next 15 sts, ch 3] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (8 tr, 52 dc)

**Rnd 8:** Join vivid blue in any corner ch-3 sp, ch 3, [dc, ch 3, 2 dc] in same ch sp, fptr (see Stitch Guide) around tr on rnd 6, sk next st on this rnd behind fptr, *dc in each of next 13 sts, fptr around next tr on rnd 6, sk next st on this rnd behind fptr, (2 dc, ch 3, 2 dc) in next corner ch-3 sp, fptr around next tr on rnd 6, sk next st on this rnd behind fptr, rep from * around, dc in each of next 13 sts, fptr around last tr on rnd 6, sk last st on this rnd, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off.

**Assembly**

With RS facing, sew or sc in back lps (see Stitch Guide) of Motifs tog, making 8 rows of 6 Motifs each.

**Edging**

**Rnd 1:** Join natural in center st at corner to work across short end, 2 sc in same st, *evenly sp 149 sc across to next center corner st, 3 sc in corner st, evenly sp 197 sc across to next center corner st*, 3 sc in corner st, rep between * once, join in beg sc.

**Rnd 2:** Ch 1, sc in first st, 5 dc in center corner st, *[sc in next st, ch 2, sk next st, cl (see Special Stitches) in next st, 2 sk next st, sc in next st] across, sk 1 or 2 sts as needed to next center corner st**, 5 dc in corner st, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in beg sc.

**Rnd 9:** Join natural in any corner ch sp, ch 3, 4 dc in same ch sp, *bpdc (see Stitch Guide) around each of next 19 sts**, 5 dc in next corner ch sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (96 sts)

**Skill Level:** Intermediate

**Finished Size:**

45 x 60 inches, excluding Edging

**Materials**

- Universal Yarns Deluxe Worsted medium (worsted) weight wool yarn (3½ oz/220 yds/100g per hank):
  - 6 hanks #91868 vivid blue
  - 4 hanks #12270 natural
- Size J/10/6mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle
- Locking stitch marker

**OVERLAPPING STITCHES CREATE WONDERFUL, UNEXPECTED TEXTURE IN THE LACY, DIMENSIONAL MOTIFS THAT SEEM TO FLOAT OVER SOLID SQUARES IN THE INTERESTING PATTERN OF THIS GORGEOUS AFGHAN.**
STITCH ABBREVIATIONS

beg = begin/begins/beginning
bpdc = back post double crochet
bpsc = back post single crochet
bptr = back post treble crochet
CC = contrasting color
ch(s) = chain(s)
ch- = refers to chain or space previously made (i.e., ch-1 space)
ch sp(s) = chain space(s)
cf(s) = cluster(s)
cm = centimeter(s)
dc = double crochet (singular/plural)
dc dec = double crochet 2 or more stitches together, as indicated
dec = decrease/decreases/decreasing
dtr = double treble crochet
ext = extended
fpc = front post crochet
fpdc = front post double crochet
fpstc = front post treble crochet
hg = gram(s)
hdc = half double crochet
hdc dec = half double crochet 2 or more stitches together, as indicated
inc = increase/increases/increasing
lps(s) = loop(s)
MC = main color
mm = millimeter(s)
oz = ounce(s)
pc = popcorn(s)
rem = remain/remains/remaining
rep(s) = repeat(s)
rd(s) = round(s)
RS = right side
sc = single crochet (singular/plural)
sc dec = single crochet 2 or more stitches together, as indicated
sk = skip/skipped/skipping
sl st(s) = slip stitch(es)
sp(s) = space(s)/spaced
st(s) = stitch(es)
tog = together
tr = treble crochet
trtr = triple treble	ns = wrong side
yd(s) = yard(s)
yo = yarn over

YARN CONVERSION

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UNITED STATES

sl st (slip stitch) = sc (single crochet)
hdc (half double crochet) = dc (double crochet)
dc (double crochet) = tr (treble crochet)
tr (treble crochet) = dtr (double treble crochet)
dtr (double treble crochet) = skip

UNITED KINGDOM

sl st (slip stitch) = sc (single crochet)
hdc (half double crochet) = dc (double crochet)
dc (double crochet) = tr (treble crochet)
tr (treble crochet) = dtr (double treble crochet)
dtr (double treble crochet) = miss

Single crochet decrease (sc dec): Insert hook in st, yo, draw through st, yo, draw through all lps on hook.
Half double crochet decrease (hdc dec): (Yo, insert hook, yo, draw lp through) in each of the sts indicated, yo, draw through all lps on hook.

Half double crochet (hdc): Yo, insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, yo, pull through all 3 lps on hook.
Double crochet (dc): Yo, insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, yo, pull through all 3 lps on hook.

Double treble crochet (dtr): Yo 3 times, insert hook in st, yo, pull through all 3 lps on hook.
Treble crochet (tr): Yo twice, insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, [yo, pull through 2 lps] twice.

Reverse single crochet (reverse sc): Ch 1, sk first st, working from left to right, insert hook in next st from front to back, draw up lp on hook, yo, and draw through both lps on hook.
Front loop (front lp) Back loop (back lp):

Front post stitch (fp): Back post stitch (bp):

Slip stitch (sl st): Insert hook in st, pull through both lps on hook.

Chain color change (ch color change):
Yo with new color, draw through last lp on hook.

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