

HEARTH SIDE BLANKET

Designed and woven by Yvonne Stahl

This cozy blanket, woven by our good friend and master weaver Yvonne Stahl, is proof that you can be productive while on your European tour—the squares for this blanket were woven while driving by car to see Europe's historic sites.

Difficulty: beginner weaving, beginner construction

Yarn

Nature Spun from Brown Sheep Company, colors 124
Butterscotch, 104 Grecian Olive, N93 Latte, 601 Pepper Black.

Weaving

Weave 140 squares:

- 68 squares in Butterscotch (color A)
- 36 squares in Grecian Olive (color B)
- 36 squares in Latte (color C)

Use Pepper Black for joining the squares with crochet.

Assembly

The steps are:

- crochet a border around each square
- join 4 squares of the same color to form a larger square
- join the large squares together in the pattern below
- crochet a border around the outside edge of the blanket

Crochet the borders of the squares: Start in the corner of a square. Slip stitch to join, chain 3, (skip 4 warp threads and go into the fabric about 2 weft threads, double crochet in that spot). Repeat 8 times on each side of the square. In the corners, chain 3 between the double crochet stitches. Slip stitch to join the first and last stitch, chain one to start a new row. Single crochet around the entire square.

Make the large squares: Take four squares of one color and join them using a simple whip stitch in the back loops of the single crochet border.

Join the large squares: Make 7 rows of 5 large squares, arranging the colors in this pattern:

B A C A B
A C A B A
C A B A C
A B A C A
B A C A B
A C A B A
C A B A C

Crochet the blanket border: Finish by single crocheting around the entire blanket twice.

The color combinations are endless for this blanket. Have fun!

