This square is made with the right side (RS) facing at all times.

Make 4 of these squares.

Using **Yarn E** make 4ch, ss to first ch to join into a ring.

Round 1 (RS) 3ch (counts as first tr here and throughout), 11tr into the ring, ss to top of first 3 ch to join, fasten off. [12 sts]

Round 2 Join **Yarn A** to any st, 3ch, 2tr into same st at base of 3 ch, 1 popcorn in next st, (3tr in next st, 1 popcorn in next st) to end, ss to top of first 3 ch, fasten off. [24 sts, including 6 popcorns]

Pay attention to crochet into the top of the popcorns in this next round which are a stitch.

Round 3 Join **Yarn E** to top of any popcorn, 3ch, 2tr in next st, miss next st working 1FPtrtr around st directly below it from **Round 1**, 2tr in next st, *1tr in next st, 2tr in next st, miss next st working 1FPtrtr around st directly below it from **Round 1**, 2tr in next st, repeat from * four times, ss to top of first 3 ch, fasten off. [36 sts, including 6 raised sts]

Round 4 Join **Yarn D** to any FPtrtr st, 3ch, 1tr into same st at base of 3 ch, 1tr in next st, 1 popcorn in next st, 2tr in next st, 1 popcorn in next st, 1tr in next st, * 2tr in next st, 1tr in next st, 1 popcorn in next st, 2tr in next st, 1 popcorn in next st, 1tr in next st, repeat from * four times, ss to top of first 3 ch, fasten off. [48 sts, including 12 popcorns]

Pay attention to crochet into the top of the popcorns in this next round.

Round 5 Join **Yarn E** to top of any left popcorn (where two popcorns are closer to each other, the left one), 3ch, 1tr into same st at base of 3 ch, * 1tr in each of next 2 sts, miss next st working 1FPtrtr around raised st directly below it from **Round 3**, 2tr in next st, 1tr in each of next 2 sts, miss next st working 1FPtrtr around tr st directly below it from **Round 3** **, 2tr in next st, repeat from * five times ending final repeat at **, ss to top of first 3 ch, fasten off. [60 sts, including 12 raised sts]

Round 6 Join **Yarn B** to any FPtrtr st, 2ch (counts as first htr), 1htr into same st at base of 2 ch, 1htr in each of next 4 sts, (2htr in next st, 1htr in each of next 4 sts) to end, ss to top of first 2 ch, fasten off. [72 sts]

Round 7 Imagine a square around the circle and join **Yarn C** to a st on the outer right side (this will be the first corner), 4ch (counts as first dtr), (1dtr, 2ch, 2dtr in same st), * 1dtr in each of next 2 sts, 1tr in each of next 2 sts, 1htr in each of next 2 sts, 1dc in each of next 5 sts, 1htr in next 2 sts, 1tr in next 2 sts, 1dtr in next 2 sts **, (2dtr, 2ch, 2dtr) all in next st, repeat from * three times ending final repeat at **, ss to top of first 4 ch, fasten off. [21 sts on each side with 4 x corner 2-ch-sps]
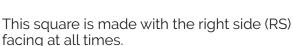
From a viewpoint further along the coast, little overwater bungalows can be seen. The line between lagoon and deep ocean is clearer and little rocks are scattered on the beach. This square is inspired by those beautiful tropical views.

Round 8 Join **Yarn D** to any corner ch-sp, 1ch (does not count as stitch), (1dc, 2ch, 1dc) in same corner ch-sp, * (1ch, miss 1 st, 1dc in next st) to final st of side, 1ch, miss final st **, (1dc, 2ch, 1dc) in corner ch-sp, repeat from * three times ending final repeat at **, ss to first dc, fasten off. [11 x 1ch-sps on each side with 4 x corner 2-ch-sps]

Round 9 Join **Yarn G** to any corner ch-sp, 2ch (counts as first htr), (1htr, 2ch, 2htr) in same corner ch-sp, *(miss next st, 2htr in next 1-ch-sp) to end of side, miss final st**, (2htr, 2ch, 2htr) in corner ch-sp, repeat from * three times ending final repeat at **, ss to top of first 2 ch, fasten off. [26 sts on each side with 4 x corner 2-ch-sps]

Half Treble stitches are unique in that they have 3 loops/strands at the top of the stitch. Make sure that in Round 10 you are inserting your hook into just the **one very back loop only** which sits towards the back of the work. This ensures that two loops remain to the front of the work.

Round 10 Join **Yarn C** to any corner ch-sp, 3ch (counts as first tr), (1htr, 2ch, 1htr, 1tr) in same corner ch-sp, (all the sts are now worked into the back loop only, pay attention to crochet into the very first htr st of the side which is less clear to see), *(1dtr in blo of next st, 1tr in blo of next st, 1htr in blo of next st, 1dc in blo of next st, 1htr in blo of next st, 1tr in blo of next st) two times, 1dtr in blo of each of next 2 sts, (1tr in blo of next st, 1htr in blo of next st, 1dc in blo of next st, 1htr in blo of next st, 1tr in blo of next st, 1dtr in blo of next st) two times**, (1tr, 1htr, 2ch, 1htr, 1tr) in corner ch-sp, repeat from * three times ending final repeat at **, ss to top of first 3 ch, fasten off. [30 sts on each side with 4 x corner 2-ch-sps]

All the sts in Round 11 are worked into the back loop only.

Round 11 Join **Yarn B** to any corner ch-sp, 5ch (counts as 1 tr and 2 ch), 1tr in same corner ch-sp, (pay attention to crochet into the very first htr st of the side which is less clear to see), *1tr in blo of next st, 1htr in blo of next st, (1dc in blo of next st, 1htr in blo of next st, 1tr in blo of next st, 1dtr in blo of next st, 1tr in blo of next st, 1htr in blo of next st) two times, 1dc in blo of each of next 2 sts, 1htr in blo of next st, 1tr in blo of next st, (1dtr in blo of next st, 1tr in blo of next st, 1htr in blo of next st, 1dc in blo of next st, 1htr in blo of next st, 1tr in blo of next st) two times**, (1tr, 2ch, 1tr) in corner ch-sp, repeat from * three times ending final repeat at **, ss to third ch of beginning 5 ch, fasten off. [32 sts on each side with 4 x corner 2-ch-sps]

Round 12 Join **Yarn E** to any corner ch-sp, 4ch (counts as 1 htr and 2 ch), 1htr in same corner ch-sp, *1htr in each st to end of side, (1htr, 2ch 1htr) in corner ch-sp, repeat from * two times, 1htr in each st to end, ss to second ch of beginning 4 ch, fasten off. [34 sts on each side with 4 x corner 2-ch-sps]

In Round 13 insert hook into the **one very back loop only** which sits towards the back of the work. This ensures that two loops remain to the front of the work.

Round 13 (RS) Join **Yarn A** to any corner ch-sp, 3ch, (1tr, 2ch, 2tr) in same corner ch-sp, *1tr in blo of each st to end of side (pay attention to crochet into the very first htr st of the side which is less clear to see), (2tr, 2ch, 2tr) in corner ch-sp, repeat from * two times, 1htr in blo of each st to end, ss to top of first 3 ch, fasten off. [38 sts on each side with 4 x corner 2-ch-sps]

Round 14 (RS) Join **Yarn B** to any corner ch-sp, 3ch, (1tr, **1ch**, 2tr) in same corner ch-sp, *1tr in each st to end of side, (2tr, **1ch**, 2tr) in corner ch-sp, repeat from * two times, 1tr in each st to end, ss to top of first 3 ch, fasten off. [42 sts on each side with 4 x corner 1-ch-sps]

Weave in all ends.

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