

WEEK THREE

Coconuts, Shells & Sparkling Seas

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Beautiful shells to be found along the beach. And oh how the sea sparkles! These three different smaller squares are inspired by coconuts, shells and sparkling tropical seas!

Coconut Square

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

Make 4 of these squares.

Using **Yarn B** 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. [12 sts]

Round 2 3ch, 1tr into same st at base of 3 ch, 2tr in each st to end, ss to top of first 3 ch. [24 sts]

Round 3 2ch (counts as first htr), 1htr into same st at base of 2 ch, 1htr in next st, (2htr in next st, 1htr in next st) to end, ss to top of first 2 ch, fasten off. [36 sts]

Half Treble stitches are unique in that they have 3 loops/strands at the top of the stitch. Make sure that in Rounds 4 and 5 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 4 Join **Yarn D** to very back loop only of any single htr st from Round 3 (not where 2 htr are crocheted into 1 st), 2ch (counts as first htr), 1htr into same st at base of 2 ch, 1htr in blo of each of next 2 sts, (2htr in blo of next st, 1htr in blo of each of next 2 sts) to end, ss to top of first 2 ch, fasten off. [48 sts]

Round 5 Join **Yarn H** to very back loop only of any single htr st from Round 4 (not where 2 htr are crocheted into 1 st), 3ch (counts as first tr), 1tr into same st at base of 3 ch, 1tr in blo of each of next 3 sts, (2tr in blo of next st, 1tr in blo of each of next 3 sts) to end, ss to top of first 3 ch, fasten off. [60 sts]



Round 6 Join **Yarn F** to any st, 2ch (counts as first htr), 1htr in each of next 3 sts, 2FPtr around next st, (1htr in each of next 4 sts, 2FPtr around next st) to end, ss to top of first 2 ch, fasten off. [72 sts]

In Round 7 insert your hook into the **back 2 loops** of the htr stitches leaving 1 strand to the front of the work and insert your hook into the **back loop only** of the tr stitches.

Round 7 Join Yarn B to back 2 loops of any htr st between the raised sts (this will be the first corner), 4ch (counts as first dtr), (1dtr, 1ch, 2dtr) in same st, *1dtr in blo of each of next 2 sts, 1tr in blo of each of next 2 sts, 1htr in blo of each of next 5 sts, 1htr in blo of next 2 sts, 1tr in blo of next 2 sts, 1tr in blo of next 2 sts, 1dtr in blo of next 2 sts, 1tr in blo of next 2 sts, 1dtr in blo of next 2 sts ***, (2dtr, 1ch, 2dtr) all in blo of 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 1-ch-sps]

Weave in all ends.



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Shell Square

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Make 4 of these squares.

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

Round 1 (RS) 2ch (counts as first htr), 7htr in centre of ring. [8 sts]

Half Treble stitches are unique in that they have three loops/strands at the top of the stitch. To ensure that two loops remain to the front of the shell to create the spiral, make sure you crochet into just the **one very back loop only** which sits towards the back of the work. The ammonite is made in a continual spiral as follows:

Round 2 2htr in **back loop only** of top ch of first 2 ch from Round 1, continue with 2htr in blo of each of next 7 sts. [16 sts]

Round 3 2tr in blo of each of next 9 sts, 2dtr in blo of each of next 5 sts joining with Yarn C at last stage of final dtr (the final yoh of st), continue with 2dtr in blo of next st, 1tr in blo of final st. [31 sts]

There are no more htr sts to work into so the following round is worked into the standard back loops of each st. **Round 4** is only half a round used to close the ammonite into a full circle:

Round 4 1tr in blo of next st, 2tr in blo of next st, 1tr in blo of next st, 1htr in blo of next st, 2htr in blo of next st, 1htr in blo of next 2 sts, 2dc in blo of next st, (1dc in blo of each of next 2 sts, 2dc in blo of next st) two times, ss to back loop of next st, do not fasten off. [The circle is now formed and there are 36 sts in total around]

Round 5 3ch, 1tr in blo of next st, 2tr in blo of next st, (1tr in blo of each of next 2 sts, 2tr in blo of next st) four times, now crochet into the sts as normal and continue with (1tr in each of next 2 sts, 2tr in next st) to end, ss to top of first 3 ch, fasten off. [48 sts]



Round 6 Join **Yarn A** to any st, 2ch (counts as first htr), 1htr in each of next 2 sts, 2htr in next st, (1htr in each of next 3 sts, 2htr in next st) to end, ss to top of first 2 ch, fasten off. [60 sts]

Round 7 Join Yarn G to very back loop only of any central htr of any 3 htr group, 2ch (counts as first htr), 1htr into same back loop at base of 2 ch, 1htr in blo of each of next 4 sts, (2htr in blo of next st, 1htr in blo of each of next 4 sts) to end, ss to top of first 2 ch, fasten off. [72 sts]

In Round 8 insert hook into the back 2 loops of the htr sts, leaving one strand to the front of the work.

Round 8 With the ammonite facing upright and imagining a square around it, join Yarn B to back 2 loops of st to the outer right side (this will be the first corner), 4ch (counts as first dtr), (1dtr, 1ch, 2dtr) in same st, *1dtr in blo of each of next 2 sts, 1tr in blo of each of next 2 sts, 1tr in blo of each of next 5 sts, 1htr in blo of next 2 sts, 1tr in blo of next 2 sts, 1dtr in blo of next 2 sts **, (2dtr, 1ch, 2dtr) all in blo of 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 1-ch-sps]

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Sparkling Seas Square

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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, pull yarn through to secure but do not fasten off (we'll be using Yarn E again in Round 3). [12 sts]

Round 2 Join **Yarn B** to any st, 2ch (counts as 1 dc and 1 ch), (1dc in next st, 1ch) to end, ss to first ch of beginning 2 ch, fasten off. [12 sts with 12 x 1-ch-sps]

Round 3 Locate the end of **Yarn E** in Round 1 and insert hook into 1-ch-sp nearest to this, re-join **Yarn E** and make 3ch, 1tr in same ch-sp, miss next st, (2tr in next 1-ch-sp, miss next st) to end, ss to top of first 3 ch, fasten off. [24 sts]

Round 4 Join **Yarn B** to any st, 3ch (counts as 1 dc and 2 ch), miss next st, (1dc in next st, 2ch, miss next st) to end, ss to first ch of beginning 3 ch, fasten off. [12 sts with 12 x 2-ch-sps]

Round 5 Join **Yarn C** to any 2-ch-sp, 3ch, 3tr in same ch-sp, miss next st, (4tr in next ch-sp, miss next st) to end, ss to first ch of beginning 3 ch, fasten off. [48 sts]

Round 6 Join **Yarn B** to any st, 2ch (counts as 1 dc and 1 ch), miss next st, (1dc in next st, 1ch, miss next st) to end, ss to first ch of beginning 2 ch, fasten off. [24 sts with 24 x 1-ch-sps]

Round 7 Join **Yarn E** to any 1-ch-sp, 2ch (counts as first htr), 2htr in same ch-sp, miss next st, 2htr in next ch-sp, miss next st, (3htr in next ch-sp, miss next st, 2htr in next ch-sp, miss next st) to end, ss to top of first 2 ch, fasten off. [60 sts]



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Round 8 Join Yarn A to very back loop only of right htr of any 2 htr group, 2ch (counts as first htr), 1htr into same back loop at base of 2 ch, 1htr in blo of each of next 4 sts, (2htr in blo of next st, 1htr in blo of each of next 4 sts) to end, ss to top of first 2 ch, fasten off. [72 sts]

In Round 9 insert hook into the back 2 loops of the htr sts, leaving one strand to the front of the work.

Round 9 Join Yarn B to back 2 loops of any st (this will be the first corner), 4ch (counts as first dtr), (1dtr, 1ch, 2dtr) in same st, *1dtr in blo of each of next 2 sts, 1tr in blo of each of next 2 sts, 1dc in blo of each of next 5 sts, 1htr in blo of next 2 sts, 1tr in blo of next 2 sts, 1tr in blo of next 2 sts, 1dtr in blo of next 2 sts, 1tr in blo of next 2 sts, 1dtr in blo of next 2 sts **, (2dtr, 1ch, 2dtr) all in blo of 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 1-ch-sps]

Weave in all ends.

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