



## Part 3

*Let's take a rest on our woodland wander and find a comfortable place to sit a while...wrapped up warm we listen to the sounds of the forest and savour the views of more autumn colours. Nearby there's a sleeping fox... we may or may not see this beautiful creature and many of the other woodland wonders around us that are there but not so easy to see. Careful not to disturb the resting woodland wonders!*

### Sleeping Fox Square

(make 1)

On Rounds 1 - 4, the non-working yarn is held on top of the previous round and crocheted over with the working yarn until it is joined again. When changing colour, join the new yarn at the final yoh of the stitch as indicated.

#### Main Square and Fox Body

Using **Yarn B**, make 4ch, ss to first ch to join into a ring (or make a magic circle).

**Round 1 (RS)** 3ch (counts as first tr here and throughout), 5tr into the ring changing to **Yarn A** at end of 5th tr, 6tr into the ring crocheting around **Yarn B** and changing back to **Yarn B** at end of final tr, ss to top of first 3 ch to join. [12 sts]

**Round 2 (RS)** 3ch, 1tr into first st at base of 3 ch, 2tr in each of next 5 sts crocheting around **Yarn A** and changing to **Yarn A** at end of final tr, 2tr in each of next 6 sts crocheting around **Yarn B** and changing back to **Yarn B** at end of final tr, ss to top of first 3 ch. [24 sts]

**Round 3 (RS)** 3ch, 1tr into first st at base of 3 ch, 1tr in next st, (2tr in next st, 1tr in next st) 5 times crocheting around **Yarn A** and changing to **Yarn A** at end of final tr, (2tr in next st, 1tr in next st) 6 times crocheting around **Yarn B** and changing back to **Yarn B** at end of final tr, ss to top of first 3 ch. [36 sts]

**Round 4 (RS)** 3ch, 1tr into first st at base of 3 ch, 1tr in each of next 2 sts, (2tr in next st, 1tr in each of next 2 sts) 5 times crocheting around **Yarn A** and changing to **Yarn A** at end of final tr, (2tr in next st, 1tr in each of next 2 sts) 6 times crocheting around **Yarn B** and changing back to **Yarn B** at end of final tr, ss to top of first 3 ch. [48 sts] Do not fasten off **Yarn A** or **B**. Continue with **Yarn B** to make tail.

#### Fox Tail

**Row 1** Make 16ch, 1tr in 4th ch from hook, 1tr in each of next 2 ch, tr2tog over next 2 ch, 1dtr in next ch, dtr2tog over next 2 ch, 1dtr in next ch, dtr2tog over next 2 ch, 1dtr in each of next 2 ch, ss into flo of 4th st along in Round 4 on fox body, ss in flo of next st, turn so top of tail can be crocheted back along in Row 2.

**Row 2** 1ch (does not count as st), 1dc in first dtr st on tail, 1htr in each of next 3 sts, htr2tog over next 2 sts, 1dc in next st, dc2tog over next 2 sts, 1ss in next st, fasten off.

For tip of tail join **Yarn G** into side of Row 1 at of the top of the tail, make 3ch, tr2tog across side of Row 1 at top of tail, fasten off.

The fox tail will be secured once the main square is finished.

**Round 5 (WS)** With WS of main piece facing re-join **Yarn A** into final st in Round 4 made in **Yarn A**, 3ch, 1tr in each of next 2 sts, 2tr in next st, (1tr in each of next 3 sts, 2tr in next st) 5 times, now crochet into the front loops only, (1tr in flo of each of next 3 sts, 2tr in flo of next st) 6 times, ss to top of first 3 ch, turn. [60 sts]

Round 6 is made with the RS facing.

**Round 6 (RS)** 2ch (counts as first htr), 1htr into first st at base of 2 ch, 1htr in each of next 4 sts, (2htr in next st, 1htr in each of next 4 sts) 11 times to end, ss to top of first 2 ch. [72 sts]

Half Treble stitches are unique in that they have 3 loops/strands at the top of the stitch. Make sure that in Round 7 you are inserting your hook into the back 2 loops only. This ensures that one loop remains to the front of the work.

**Round 7 (RS)** 1ch (counts as first dc), 1dc in blo of each of next 5 sts, 1htr in blo of each of next 2 sts, 1tr in blo of each of next 2 sts, 1dtr in blo of next st, (2dtr, 2ch, 2dtr) all in blo of next st (corner made), \* 1dtr in blo of next st, 1tr in blo of each of next 2 sts, 1htr in blo of each of next 2 sts, 1dc in blo of each of next 7 sts, 1htr in blo of each of next 2 sts, 1tr in blo of each of next 2 sts, 1dtr in blo of next st, (2dtr, 2ch, 2dtr) all in blo of next st (corner made), repeat from \* two times, 1dtr in blo

of next st, 2tr in blo of each of next 2 sts, 1htr in blo of each of next 2 sts, 1dc in final st, ss to first 1 ch.

[21 sts on each side with 4 x corner 2-ch-sps]

**Round 8** 2ch (counts as first htr), \* 1htr in each st to end of side, (1htr, 2ch, 1htr) in corner ch-sp, repeat from \* 3 times, 1htr in each st to end of round, ss to top of first 2 ch. [23 sts on each side with 4 x corner 2-ch-sps]

**Round 9** 3ch, \* 1tr in each st to end of side, (2tr, 2ch, 2tr) in corner ch-sp, repeat from \* 3 times, 1tr in each st to end, ss to top of first 3 ch, fasten off. [27 sts on each side with 4 x corner 2-ch-sps]

### Fox Face and Ears

The fox face is made with the right side (RS) facing at all times and made in a continual spiral without closing each round with a ss. Put a stitch marker in the first or last stitch of each round to help keep your place.

Using **Yarn B** make 5 ch.

**Round 1 (RS)** 1dc in second ch from hook, 1dc in each of next 2 ch, 3dc in final ch, rotate work ready to crochet along the bottom of the chains, 1dc in each of next 2 ch, 2dc in final ch. [10 sts]

**Round 2** 2dc in first st, 1dc in each of next 2 sts, 2dc in each of next 3 sts, 1dc in each of next 2 sts, 2dc in each of final 2 sts. [16 sts]

**Round 3** 2dc in first st, make 4ch, 1dc in second ch from hook, 1htr in next ch, 1tr in next ch (Ear 1 made), miss 1 st on Round 2, 1dc in each of next 2 sts, make 4ch, 1dc in second

ch from hook, 1htr in next ch, 1tr in next ch (Ear 2 made), miss 1 st on Round 2, 2dc in next st changing to **Yarn G** at end of 2nd dc, (now crochet around **Yarn B** until the end of the round so it is ready to be re-joined at end of round), 2dc in each of next 2 sts, 1dc in each of next 2 sts, make 3ch, miss 3 sts, 1dc in each of next 2 sts, 2dc in each of next 2 sts changing back to **Yarn B** at end of 2nd dc.

**Round 4** 1ss in first st, \*work 3ss along the side of ear 1, make 2ch at top point of ear, 1ss in each of next 3 sts down other side of ear, 1ss in each of next 2 sts, repeat from \* once more, fasten off.

### Nose

Join **Yarn B** in the first missed st of the 3 sts in Round 2 which were missed in Round 3 (make sure hook goes under the length of 3 ch so it is encased in the next sts), 1ch (does not count as st), 1dc in same st going around length of 3 ch, 1 bobble in **Yarn I** in next st, 1dc in next st, fasten off and weave in ends.

Using a small amount of **Yarn I** embroider two eyes onto the face using photo as a guide. Then sew both the fox head onto the main square and secure the tail onto the main square.

### Forget me Not Flower (make 7 or as many as you like)

Using **Yarn C**, make 4ch, ss to first ch to join into a ring (or make a magic circle).

**Round 1 (RS)** 1ch (does not count as st), 10dc into the ring, ss to first dc to join, fasten off. [10 sts]

**Round 2 (RS)** Join **Yarn K** into any st, 1ch (counts as first ss), \*(1dc, 1htr, 1tr, 1htr, 1dc) all in next st, 1ss in next st, repeat from \* 4 times ending with final ss in the same st as beginning 1ch, fasten off leaving a tail of yarn long enough to attach flowers to square. [5 petals]

Use the ends of yarn to secure three flowers with a knot along the bottom of the fox square. Set aside four to attach to the corners of the blanket later. Of course you can add forget-me-nots anywhere else on the blanket that you like!



### Joining the Squares

The squares are joined together along the vertical side edges to form one long panel across the width of the blanket. Lay out the squares using photo as a guide. Place squares to be joined WS facing together and RS facing outwards, with the edges held upright ready to crochet across them.

Join **Yarn J** into the outer right corner ch-sp of the front square only, 1ch, insert hook into corresponding corner ch-sp on back square, make 1ss followed by 1ch, 1ss in first st on front square,





1 ch, miss first st on back square, 1 ss in next st on back square, 1 ch, \* miss 1 st on front square, 1 ss in next st on front square, 1 ch, miss 1 st on back square, 1 ss in next st on back square, 1 ch, repeat from \* across side to final st on front square, 1 ch, miss final st on back square, 1 ss in corner ch-sp on back square, 1 ch, 1 ss in corner ch-sp on front square, fasten off.

Now continue working the rows on the main blanket.

**Row 64 (RS)** 3ch, (counts as first tr and throughout) miss next st, 2tr in next st, (miss 1 st, 2tr in next st) to end, join with **Yarn I** at end of final st, turn. [145 sts]

In the next rows work the 2tr in-between the 2 tr in each pair of tr into the centre space in-between them (not into the obvious space between the pairs). This pushes the 2 tr apart and creates a 'V Stitch'.

**Row 65 (WS)** 3ch, miss first 3 sts, 2tr in space before next st, (miss 2 sts, 2tr in space in-between next pair of 2 tr) to final pair of tr, miss next st, 2tr in final st, join with **Yarn A** at end of final st, turn.

**Row 66 (RS)** Repeat Row 65, do not fasten off, continue with **Yarn A** in next row.

**Row 67 (WS)** 3ch, 1tr in next st and each st to end, turn.

Autumn leaves are now made again. Cut a length of yarn measuring approx. 120cm for each leaf. Cut 5 pieces in **Yarn B**, 5 pieces in **Yarn C**, 5 pieces in **Yarn D**, 4 pieces in **Yarn E** and 4 pieces in **Yarn I**. After using each piece, leave the yarn there ready

to be re-joined for each leaf in the subsequent rows.

**Row 68 (RS)** 2ch (counts as first htr) \* 1BPtr around each of next 5 sts changing to **Yarn B** at end of 5th tr, 3FPtr around next st changing back to **Yarn A** at end of 3rd st, repeat from \* across row to final 6 sts using a length of **Yarn C** for the next leaf, **Yarn D** for the 3rd leaf, **Yarn E** for the 4th leaf and **Yarn I** for the 5th leaf, then go back to use another length of **Yarn B** for the 6th leaf and continue in order, after final 3FPtr in **Yarn D** work 1BPtr around each of next 5 sts, 1htr in final st, turn. [191 sts including 23 groups of 3 raised sts]

**Row 69 (WS)** 2ch (counts as first htr), \* 1FPtr around each of next 5 sts changing to **Yarn D** at end of 5th tr, 1BPtr around each of next 3 sts changing back to **Yarn A** at end of 3rd st, repeat from \* across row to final 6 sts changing to next colour for each leaf accordingly, after final leaf work 1FPtr around each of next 5 sts, 1htr in final st, turn. [191 sts including 23 groups of 3 raised sts]

**Row 70 (RS)** 2ch (counts as first htr) \* 1BPtr around each of next 5 sts changing to **Yarn B** at end of 5th tr, FPtr3tog over next 3 sts changing back to **Yarn A** at final yoh, repeat from \* across row to final 6 sts changing to next colour for each leaf accordingly, after final leaf work 1BPtr around each of next 5 sts, 1htr in final st, turn. [145 sts including 23 groups raised sts]

**Row 71 (WS)** 3ch, 1tr in next st and each st to end (pay attention to crochet into the top of the 2 ch which is the final st), join with **Yarn J** at end of final st, turn. [145 sts]

**Row 72 (RS)** 3ch, 1tr in next st and each st to end, join with **Yarn H** at end of final st (do not cut **Yarn J**, leave it attached ready to be re-joined later), turn. [145 sts]

**Row 73 (WS)** No turning chain, 1 ss in first st, (1 tr in next st, 1 ss in next st) to end, fasten off **Yarn H**, do not turn.

**Row 74 (WS)** Go back to beginning of Row 73, insert hook into first ss and pick up **Yarn J**, 3ch, 1 tr in next st and each st to end, do not fasten off.

### Joining panel of squares to main blanket

The panel of squares is now joined to the main blanket with dc stitches on the WS.

With RS facing lay the panel in place above Row 74 and then fold the panel down so RS are facing together and WS are facing outwards. Make 1 ch and then insert hook into outer corner ch-sp of Mushroom square and through to first st of Row 74 (which was the final st made in Row 74), work 1 dc going through both layers, 1 dc in each of next 27 sts going through both layers, 1 dc in corner ch-sp of Mushroom Square and through to corresponding st in row 74, 1 dc in corner ch-sp of Flower Square and through to corresponding st in row 74, continue with 1 dc in each st and corner ch-sp of the squares and through to the corresponding stitches in Row 74 to end. Fasten off and weave in ends. [145 sts]

*Join us next week for part 4!  
Retracing our steps; heading back  
through the woods.*