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### **WEEK TWO**

### Tropical Seas

How clear the sea is and how blue too! Perfect for a quick dip in the water... Tropical shores with calm lagoons near the shoreline and larger waves crashing in the distance are so beautiful. This second square is inspired by the bluest of seas!





### Make 4 of these squares.

Using **Yarn E** make 35ch

Row 1 (RS) 1dc in second ch from hook, 1dc in each of next 2 ch, \*1htr in each of next 2 ch, 1tr in each of next 2 ch, 1dtr in each of next 4 ch, 1tr in each of next 2 ch, 1htr, in each of next 2 ch\*\*, 1dc in each of next 4 ch, repeat from \* to \*\* once more, 1dc in each of next 3 ch, turn. [34 sts]

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**Rows 10 - 12** Repeat Rows 2 - 4 joining with **Yarn E** at end of Row 12.

**Rows 13 - 16** Repeat Rows 5 - 8 joining with **Yarn G** at end of Row 16.

Row 17 Repeat Row 9.

**Rows 18 - 20** Repeat Rows 2 - 4 joining with **Yarn C** at end of Row 20.

**Rows 21 - 24** Repeat Rows 5 - 8 joining with **Yarn E** at end of Row 24.

Row 25 Repeat Row 9.

Rows 26 - 28 Repeat Rows 2 - 4 joining with Yarn G at end of Row 28.

**Rows 29 - 32** Repeat Rows 5 - 8 all in **Yarn G** with no colour changes, fasten off.

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### Tropical Seas

The whole square will now be crocheted around. When crocheting along the sides of the square the stitches are worked around the posts of the sts into the sides of the rows.

With RS facing and square held upright, join **Yarn A** to top left stitch (the first double crochet made in Row 32).

Round 1 (RS) 3ch (counts as first tr). (2tr, 2ch, 2tr) all in same st, rotate work ready to crochet down first side, 1tr into side of each of next 2 rows, 2tr into side of next row, (1tr into side of each of next 7 rows. 2tr into side of next row) three times, 1tr into side of each of next 3 rows, (2tr, 2ch, 3tr) all into side of next row, rotate work ready to crochet along bottom edge, miss the first st just crocheted around, 1tr in base of each st to final st of side, (3tr, 2ch, 2tr) in final st, rotate work ready to crochet up next side edge, 1tr into side of each of next 3 rows. (2tr into side of next row, 1tr into side of each of next 7 rows) three times. 2tr into side of next row. 1tr into side of each of next 2 rows, (2tr. 2ch, 3tr) all into side of next row, rotate work ready to crochet along top edge, 1tr in 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]

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**WEEK THREE** 

## Coconuts, Shells & Sparkling Seas

Coconuts hanging high in the palm trees.
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

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**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, 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]



**WEEK THREE** 

# Coconuts, Shells & Sparkling Seas

Coconuts hanging high in the palm trees.
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### Shell Square

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

### 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 each 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]



**WEEK THREE** 

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### Sparkling Seas Square

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, 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.

Join our next instalment Week 4: Tropical Views



### **WEEK FOUR**

### Tropical Views

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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, 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, 1tr in next 2 sts, 1dtr 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]



#### **WEEK FOUR**

### Tropical Views

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]



**WEEK FIVE** 

### Palm Trees along the Shore

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

### Make 5 of these squares.

Using **Yarn F** 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 D** in-between any 2 sts, 3ch, 1tr into same space, (miss next st, 2tr in space in-between next 2 sts) to end, miss final st, ss to top of first 3 ch, fasten off. [24 sts]

**Round 3** Join **Yarn F** into any st from **Round 1**, 3ch, 1tr in same st, miss all the sts from Round 2 and continue with 2tr in each st from Round 1 to end, ss to top of first 3 ch, **do not** fasten off. [24 sts]

**Round 4** ss into next st, ss into space between 2-tr groups, 3ch, 2tr into same space, (miss next 2 sts, 3tr in next space between the 2-tr groups) to end, ss to top of first 3 ch, fasten off. [36 sts]

**Round 5** Join **Yarn H** into space between any 3-tr groups, 3ch, 3tr into same space, (miss next 3 sts, 4tr in next space between the 3-tr groups) to end, ss to top of first 3 ch, fasten off. [48 sts]

**Round 6** Join **Yarn F** to second st in from right of any 4-tr group, 2ch (counts as first htr), \*1htr into next st, miss next st working 3FPdtr around central st of 3-tr group below in Round 4, miss next st \*\*, 1htr in next st, repeat from \* 11 times ending final repeat at \*\*, ss to top of first 2 ch, fasten off. [60 sts]

Round 7 Join Yarn H to right raised dtr st of any 3-dtr group, 2ch (counts as first htr), 1htr into each of next 2 sts, \* miss next 2 sts working 1FPdtr around second st in from right of 4-tr group below in Round 5, 1ch, 1FPdtr around next st of 4-tr group in Round 5 \*\*, 1htr in each of next 3 sts, repeat from \* 11 times ending final repeat at \*\*, ss to top of first 2 ch, fasten off. [12 groups of raised sts with 3 sts in-between]

Round 8 Join Yarn F into any 1-ch-sp between the 2 raised sts, 2ch (counts as first htr), 3htr into same space, \* miss next 5 sts working 1FPdtr around each of the raised sts below in Round 6\*\*, 4htr in next 1-ch-sp, repeat from \* 11 times ending final repeat at \*\*, ss to top of first 2 ch, fasten off. [84 sts]

Round 9 Join Yarn H to central raised dtr st of any 3-dtr group (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 3 sts, 1htr in each of next 3 sts, 1dc in each of next 4 sts, 1htr in next 3 sts, 1tr in next 3 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. [24 sts on each side with 4 x corner 2-ch-sps]



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Round 10 Join Yarn D to any corner ch-sp, 5ch (counts as 1 tr and 2 ch), 1tr in same corner ch-sp, \*1ch, miss first st of side, 1 popcorn in next st, (2ch, miss 2 sts, 1 popcorn in next st) to final st of side, 1ch, miss final st \*\*, (1tr, 2ch, 1tr) in corner ch-sp, repeat from \* three times ending final repeat at \*\*, ss to second ch of beginning 5 ch, fasten off. [8 popcorns on each side]

**Round 11** Join **Yarn E** to any corner ch-sp, 3ch, (1tr, 2ch, 2tr) in same corner ch-sp, \*miss next st, 3tr in next 1-ch-sp, (miss next popcorn, 3tr in next 2ch-sp) 8 times to end of side, miss final st\*\*, (2tr, 2ch, 2tr) in corner ch-sp, repeat from \* three times ending final repeat at \*\*, ss to top of first 3 ch, fasten off. [31 sts on each side with 4 x corner 2-ch-sps]

Round 12 Join Yarn G to any corner ch-sp, 2ch (counts as first htr), (1htr, 2ch, 2htr) in same corner ch-sp, \*miss next 2 sts, 3htr in space between 3-tr groups, (miss 3 sts, 3htr in space between next 3-tr groups) to end of side, miss final 2 sts\*\*, (2htr, 2ch 2htr) in corner ch-sp, repeat from \* three times ending final repeat at \*\*, ss to top of first 2 ch, fasten off. [34 sts on each side with 4 x corner 2-ch-sps]

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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]



Join our next instalment Week 6: Joining the Squares and the Border



**WEEK SIX** 

## Joining the squares and the border

It's time for our
Tropical Shores to come
together... All the squares
will now be joined and then
a border will be crocheted
around them. With little palm
trees scattered around the
edge, just like along real
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### **Blocking**

Your squares may benefit from blocking before joining them together. If your squares are different in size then blocking can really help to ease them to the same size and it can also help to set and neaten some of the stitches. The larger squares should measure approximately 24cm x 24cm and the smaller squares half the size at approximately 12cm x 12cm.

### **Joining the Squares**

The squares are joined together with simple double crochet stitches going through the corresponding stitches of both squares to be joined. The squares are joined with the **right side** (RS) of the squares held together so that the double crochet stitches appear to the back of the work and the right side of the work has flat neat joins. Lay out the squares using the photo as a guide.

Start by joining the smaller squares together first with the horizontal join. Pay attention that when you get to the shell square, the shell is facing the correct way.

Then join the smaller squares to the sides of the larger squares adjacent to them with the vertical join. Continue to join the sides of the larger squares together on the vertical joins.

Finish with the long horizontal joins.

### **Border**

The whole blanket is now crocheted around.

Round 1 (RS) Join Yarn B to any corner ch-sp, 1ch (does not count as st), (1dc, 2ch, 1dc) in same corner ch-sp, \*1dc in each st to end of side, (1dc, 2ch, 1dc) in corner ch-sp, repeat from \* two times, 1dc in each st to end, ss to to first dc, fasten off. [212 sts on each side edge, 170 sts on top and bottom edges with 4 x corner 2-ch-sps]

**Round 2 (RS)** Join **Yarn C** to any corner ch-sp, 3ch, (1tr, 2ch, 2tr) in same corner ch-sp, \*1tr in each st to end of side, (2tr, 2ch, 2tr) in corner ch-sp, repeat from \* two times, 1tr in each st to end, ss to top of first 3 ch, fasten off. [216 sts on each side edge, 174 sts on top and bottom edges with 4 x corner 2-ch-sps]

Round 3 (RS) Join Yarn D to corner ch-sp to top right of blanket (ready to crochet down first long side edge), 1ch (does not count as st), (1dc, 2ch, 1dc) in same corner ch-sp, \* 1dc in each of next 2 sts, miss next st working 1FPquadtr around first sand coloured st in Round 13 of square below, 1dc in each of next 10 sts, (miss next st working 1FPquadtr around st directly below it in Round 13 of square below, 1dc in each of next 20 sts) two times, miss next st working 1FPdtr around central white st directly below it in Round 8 of square below, 1dc in each of next 20 sts, miss next st working 1FPdtr around central white st directly below it in Round 7 of square below, 1dc in each of next 20 sts, (miss next st working 1FPquadtr around sand coloured st directly below it in Round 1 of square below, 1dc in each of next 20 sts) two times, miss next st working 1FPdtr around central white st directly below it in Round 7 of square below, 1dc in each of next 20 sts, miss next st working 1FPdtr around central white st directly below it in Round 8 of square below. (1dc in each of next 20 sts, miss next st working 1FPquadtr around sand coloured st directly below it in Round 13 of square below) two times, 1dc in each of next 10 sts, miss next st working 1FPquadtr around final sand coloured st in Round 13 of square below, 1dc in each of next 2 sts, (1dc, 2ch, 1dc) in corner ch-sp, 1dc in each of next 2 sts, miss next st working 1FPquadtr around first sand coloured st in Round 13 of square below, 1dc



**WEEK SIX** 

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in each of next 10 sts, miss next st working 1FPquadtr around sand coloured st directly below it in Round 13 of square below, (1dc in each of next 20 sts, miss next st working 1FPquadtr around sand coloured st directly below it in Round 13 of square below) seven times, 1dc in each of next 10 sts, miss next st working 1FPquadtr around final sand coloured st in Round 13 of square below, 1dc in each of next 2 sts \*\*, (1dc, 2ch, 1dc) in corner ch-sp, repeat from \* for next side edge and top edge ending at \*\*, ss to first dc, fasten off. [218 sts along each side edge, 176 sts along top and bottom with 4 x corner 2-ch-sps]

Round 4 (RS) Join Yarn H to any corner chsp, 4ch (counts as 1 htr and 2 ch), 1htr in same corner ch-sp, \* 1htr in each of next 2 sts, miss next st, (1FPdtr, 1FPtr, 1FPdtr) all around next st, miss next st, 1htr in each of next 8 sts, (miss next st. (1FPdtr, 1FPtr, 1FPdtr) all around next st. miss next st. 1htr in each of next 18 sts) to second to last raised st of side, miss next st, (1FPdtr, 1FPtr, 1FPdtr) all around next st. miss next st. 1htr in each of next 8 sts. miss next st. (1FPdtr. 1FPtr. 1FPdtr) all around next st, miss next st, 1htr in each of next 2 sts , (1htr, 2ch, 1htr) in corner ch-sp, repeat from \* three times ending final repeat at \*\*, ss to second ch of beginning 4 ch, fasten off. [220] sts along each side edge, 178 sts along top and bottom with 4 x corner 2-ch-spsl

In Rounds 5 and 6 insert hook into the back 2 loops of the htr sts, leaving one strand to the front of the work.



Round 5 (RS) Join Yarn F to any corner ch-sp, 4ch (counts as 1 htr and 2 ch), 1htr in same corner ch-sp, \* 1htr in blo of each of next 2 sts, miss next st, (1FPdtr and 1FPtr) around next st, 1FPtr around next st, (1FPtr and 1FPdtr) around next st, miss next st, 1htr in blo of each of next 6 sts, (miss next st. (1FPdtr and 1FPtr) around next st. 1FPtr around next st. (1FPtr and 1FPdtr) around next st. miss next st. 1htr in blo of each of next 16 sts) to second to last group of raised sts of side, miss next st, (1FPdtr and 1FPtr) around next st, 1FPtr around next st. (1FPtr and 1FPdtr) around next st. miss next st, 1htr in blo of each of next 6 sts, miss next st, (1FPdtr and 1FPtr) around next st, 1FPtr around next st, (1FPtr and 1FPdtr) around next st, miss next st, 1htr in blo of each of next 2 sts  $^{**}$ , (1htr, 2ch, 1htr) in corner ch-sp, repeat from  $^{*}$ three times ending final repeat at \*\*, ss to second ch of beginning 4 ch, fasten off. [222 sts along each side edge, 180 sts along top and bottom with 4 x corner 2-ch-sps]

Round 6 (RS) Join Yarn E to any corner ch-sp, 2ch (counts as first htr), 2htr in same corner ch-sp, \* 1htr in blo of each of next 3 sts, 1htr in each of next 5 sts going into sts as normal, continue with 1htr in blo of each st to end of side working 1htr into raised sts as normal, 3htr in corner ch-sp, repeat from \* two times, 1htr in blo of each st to end, ss to top of first 2 ch, do not fasten off, turn.

**Round 7 (WS)** 2ch (counts as first htr), 1htr in each st around working 3htr into each central corner st, ss to top of first 2 ch, fasten off and weave in all ends.

And that completes this years Tropical Shores CAL.

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