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CROCHET

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CHRISTMAS GINGERBREAD BLANKET CROCHET ALONG

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WE TRIPLE-CHECK
OUR PATTERNS TO
GUARANTEE SUCCESS
WHEN YOU USE
SIRDAR YARNS

Hayfield
BONUS
DOUBLE KNITTING

WEEK 1

Hayfield
BONUS DK
CHRISTMAS
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CROCHET A NEW
CHRISTMAS TRADITION

Crochet this happiest Christmas blanket to bring out with the decorations each year to adorn your sofa or a child's bed as they count the sleeps til Christmas.










Inspired by Christmas treats and festive biscuit tins, designer Lindsey combined traditional reds and greens, with her signature Golden and Pink, in her Christmas Gingerbread blanket.

Suitable for complete beginners, our Christmas Crochet Along includes plenty of festive fun for more experienced crocheters too.

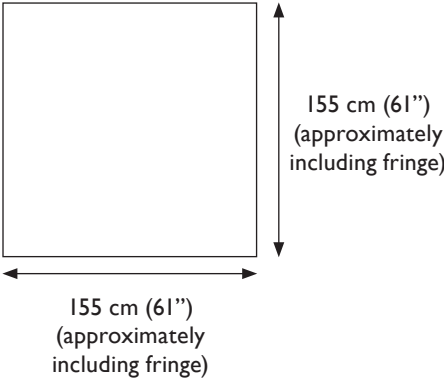
In her weekly videos, Lindsey will guide you from the simplest stitches for the Gingerbread House heart of the blanket, through all the techniques featured in the corresponding weekly patterns, to build your skills as you crochet your blanket.

MEASUREMENTS

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Yarn		F013 Hayfield Bonus DK, 100g
Yarn A 812 Cream		3
Yarn B 595 Golden		2
Yarn C 604 Gentle Jade		2
Yarn D 698 Ladybird		2
Yarn E 888 Peaches		1
Yarn F 916 Emerald		2
Yarn G 819 Bright Lemon		1
Yarn H 992 Pink		1
Yarn I 554 Tomato		1
You also need		1 4.00 (UK 8 – USA G/6) Crochet Hook. Tapestry Needle for weaving in ends. Removable Stitchmarkers.

SIZE

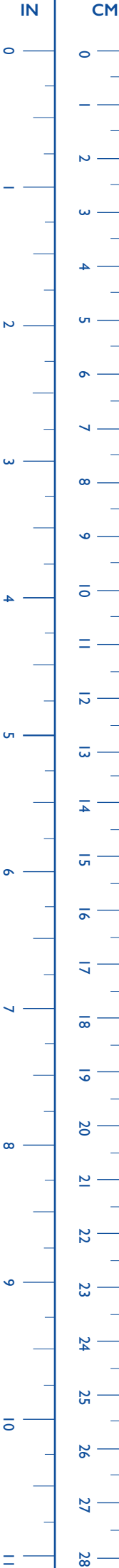


TENSION

The actual size of your blanket will depend on your tension (how tightly you crochet). Whilst tension isn't essential to the success of the project, it will make a difference to the size of the blanket and amount of yarn used.

Check your tension by comparing the tension and measurements given for the different parts of the blanket each week. If your work is significantly bigger than the stated measurements and you have less stitches and rows to 10cm, (4in) than stated for the tension then try going down a hook size or two. This will ensure you don't run out of yarn.

If your work is significantly smaller than the stated measurements and you have more stitches and rows to 10cm, (4in) than stated for the tension then try going up a hook size or two.



NOTES

The accompanying videos will show you how to work each type of stitch, count your stitches, join new colours, and fasten off.

Starting chains count as stitches unless specified otherwise.

Where a letter is given after the stitches this indicates which colour yarn should be used for those stitches.

COLOUR CHANGE METHOD

Stop crocheting right before you draw yarn through the last loops on your hook for the stitch before the colour change. Drop the colour you are using and put the new colour yarn on your hook and draw the new colour through the last loops on your hook, then carry the previous colour under the next stitches as described above.

STITCHES & ABBREVIATIONS

NB - These instructions use **UK** crochet terms throughout - **US** terms are shown in brackets below where applicable

ch - chain

cm - centimetres

dc - double crochet (US single crochet)

DK - double knitting

g - grammes

htr - half treble (US half double crochet)

in - inch(es)

rep - repeat

rnd(s) - round(s)

rs - right side

ss - slip stitch

sp(s) - space(s)

tog - together

tr - treble (US double crochet)

ws - wrong side

WEEK 1 CAL PATTERN GINGERBREAD HOUSE

Finished size 35cm x 35cm
(13³/₄in x 13³/₄in)

TENSION

18 stitches and 12 rows to 10cm, (4in) when worked in pattern using 4.00 hook.

Use **Yarn A** (Cream), **Yarn B** (Golden), **Yarn C** (Gentle Jade) and **Yarn D** (Ladybird)

Using Yarn A make 47ch.

1st Row. (rs) Starting in the 4th ch from the hook (missed 3ch count as 1tr), 44tr, turn. 45tr.

THIS WEEK'S STITCH HOW TO'S

CHAIN

To start, make a slip knot and place loop on hook. To make 1 chain, yarn over hook and draw yarn through loop on hook.

TREBLE CROCHET STITCH

Yarn over hook, insert hook into stitch or space indicated in pattern, yarn over hook, draw yarn through stitch or space (3 loops on hook), yarn over hook and draw yarn through 1st 2 loops on hook (2 loops left on hook), yarn over hook and draw yarn through last 2 loops on hook.

DOUBLE CROCHET STITCH

Insert hook into stitch or space indicated in pattern, yarn over hook, draw yarn through stitch or space (2 loops on hook), yarn over hook and draw yarn through both loops on hook.

SLIP STITCH

Insert hook into the stitch or space indicated in pattern, yarn over hook and draw yarn through both the stitch or space and the loop on the hook.

HALF TREBLE CROCHET STITCH

Yarn over hook, insert hook into stitch or space indicated in pattern, yarn

over hook, draw yarn through stitch or space (3 loops on hook), yarn over hook and draw yarn through all 3 loops on hook.

4 TREBLES TOGETHER

Yarn over hook, insert hook into next stitch, yarn over hook and draw through, yarn over hook and draw through 2 loops, (yarn over hook, insert hook into next stitch, yarn over hook and draw through, yarn over hook and draw through 2 loops) 3 times more, yarn over hook and draw through all 5 loops on hook.

7 TREBLES TOGETHER

Yarn over hook, insert hook into next stitch, yarn over hook and draw through, yarn over hook and draw through 2 loops, (yarn over hook, insert hook into next stitch, yarn over hook and draw through, yarn over hook and draw through 2 loops) 6 times more, yarn over hook and draw through all 8 loops on hook.

FASTEN OFF

With the last loop still on hook, cut the yarn (leaving a long enough tail for weaving the end in) then yarn over hook and draw end of yarn all the way through loop on hook. Pull tight to secure.

2nd Row. (ws) 3ch (3ch counts as 1dc, 2ch), miss tr on which 3ch stands and next 2tr, * 1dc in between missed tr and next tr, 2ch, miss 3tr, * rep from * to * 12 times more, 1dc in between missed tr and next tr, 2ch, miss 2tr, 1dc into last tr, turn. 16dc and 15 2ch sps.

3rd Row. 3ch, 2tr into first 2ch sp, * miss next dc, 3tr into next 2ch sp, * rep from * to * 12 times more, miss next dc, 2tr into last 2ch sp, 1tr into last dc, turn. 45tr.

4th Row. 3ch (3ch counts as 1dc, 2ch), miss tr on which 3ch stands and next 2tr, 1dc in between missed tr and next tr, * 2ch, miss 3tr, 1dc in between missed tr and next tr, * rep from * to * 12 times more, 2ch, miss 2tr, 1dc into last tr, turn.

From the next row, we will bring in a second colour, Yarn B. Create a second small ball of Yarn A ready to use at the end of the row.

5th Row. 3ch A, 2tr A into first 2ch sp, miss 1dc, 3tr A into next 2ch sp, changing to Yarn B on the final yarn over of the 3rd tr, leave Yarn A

attached on the ws of the work, * miss 1dc, 3tr B into the next 2ch sp, * rep from * to * 10 times more, bringing in your second ball and changing to Yarn A on last yarn over of the final tr, leave Yarn B attached on the ws, miss 1dc, 3tr A into next 2ch sp, miss 1dc, 2tr A into next 2ch sp, 1tr into last dc, turn.

6th Row. 3ch A (3ch counts as 1dc, 2ch), miss tr on which 3ch stands and next 2tr, 1dc A in between missed tr and next tr, 2ch, miss 3tr, 1dc A in between missed tr and next tr changing to Yarn B and leaving Yarn A on the ws of the work, * 2ch B, miss 3tr, 1dc B in between missed tr and next tr, * rep from * to * 10 times more, changing to Yarn A on final dc, 2ch A, miss 3tr, 1dc A between missed tr and next tr, 2ch A and miss 2tr, 1dc into last tr of row, turn.

7th to 12th Row. Rep 5th and 6th rows 3 times.

13th Row. As 5th row.

For the next few rows, when changing between colours, you will need to leave short floats of yarn on the wrong

side of the work. When you work subsequent rows, you can either leave the floats behind the work, or work over the top of them to help hide them.

14th Row. 3ch A (3ch counts as 1dc, 2ch), miss tr on which 3ch stands and next 2tr, 1dc A in between missed tr and next tr, * 2ch A and miss 3tr, 1dc A in between missed tr and next tr, * rep from * to * once more, changing to Yarn B on final dc, ** 2ch B and miss 3tr, 1dc B in between missed tr and next tr, ** rep from ** to ** 7 times more, changing to Yarn A on final dc, rep from * to * 3 times, 2ch A, miss 2tr, 1dc A into last tr, turn.

15th Row. 3ch A, 2tr A into first 2ch sp, changing to Yarn B on final tr, * miss 1dc, 3tr B into next 2ch sp, * rep from * to * 12 times more, changing to Yarn A on final tr, miss 1dc, 2tr A into next 2ch sp, 1tr A into last dc, turn.

16th Row. 3ch A (3ch counts as 1dc, 2ch), miss tr on which 3ch stands and next 2tr, 1dc A in between missed tr and next tr, * 2ch A, miss 3tr, 1dc A in between missed tr and next tr, * rep from * to * twice more, changing to Yarn B on final dc, ** 2ch B and miss 3tr, 1dc B in between missed tr and next tr, ** rep from ** to ** 5 times more, changing to Yarn A on final dc,

rep from * to * 4 times, 2ch A, miss 2tr, 1dc A into last tr, turn.

17th Row. 3ch A, 2tr A into first 2ch sp, miss 1dc, 3tr A into the next 2ch sp, changing to Yarn B on the final tr, * miss 1dc, 3tr B into the next 2ch sp * rep from * 10 times more, changing to Yarn A on the final tr, miss 1dc, 3tr A into next 2ch sp, miss 1dc, 2tr A into the next 2ch sp, 1tr A into last dc, turn.

18th Row. 3ch A (3ch counts as 1dc, 2ch), miss tr on which 3ch stands and next 2tr, 1dc A in between missed tr and next tr, * 2ch A, miss 3tr, 1dc A in between missed tr and next tr, * rep from * to * 3 times more, changing to Yarn B on final dc, ** 2ch B and miss 3tr, 1dc B in between missed tr and next tr, ** rep from ** to ** 4 times more, changing to Yarn A on final dc, rep from * to * 4 times, 2ch A and miss 2tr, 1dc A into last tr, turn.

19th Row. 3ch A, 2tr A into first 2ch sp, * miss 1dc, 3tr A into the next 2ch sp, * rep from * to * once more, changing to Yarn B on the final tr, ** miss 1dc, 3tr B into the next 2ch sp, ** rep from ** to ** 8 times more, changing to Yarn A on the final tr, rep from * to * twice, miss 1dc, 2tr A into next 2ch sp, 1tr A into last dc, turn.

20th Row. 3ch A (3ch counts as 1dc, 2ch), miss tr on which 3ch stands and

next 2tr, 1dc A in between missed tr and next tr, * 2ch A, miss 3tr, 1dc A in between missed tr and next tr, * rep from * to * 4 times more, changing to Yarn B on final dc, ** 2ch B, miss 3tr, 1dc B in between missed tr and next tr, ** rep from ** to ** once more, changing to Yarn A on final dc, rep from * to * 6 times, 2ch A, miss 2tr, 1dc A into last tr, turn.

21st Row. 3ch A, 2tr A into first 2ch sp, * miss 1dc, 3tr A into the next 2ch sp, * rep from * to * twice more changing to Yarn B on the final tr, ** miss 1dc, 3tr B into the next 2ch sp, ** rep from ** to ** 6 times more changing to Yarn A on the final tr, rep from * to * 3 times, miss 1dc, 2tr A into next 2ch sp, 1tr A into last dc, turn.

22nd Row. 3ch A, (3ch counts as 1dc and 2ch sp), miss tr on which 3ch stands and next 2tr, 1dc A in between missed tr and next tr, * 2ch, miss next 3tr, 1dc A in between missed tr and next tr, * rep from * to * 12 times more, 2ch A and miss 2tr, 1dc A into last tr, turn.

From here you will no longer be working with two balls of Yarn A – instead you will need to break and join the ball at the end of each row or section, and rejoin as indicated. Leave



a tail end long enough each time to weave in at the end.

23rd Row. 3ch A, 2tr A into first 2ch sp, * miss 1dc, 3tr A into next 2ch sp, * rep from * to * 3 times more changing to Yarn B on final tr and fastening off Yarn A, ** miss 1dc, 3tr B into the next 2ch sp, ** rep from ** to ** 4 times more bringing in and changing to Yarn A on the final tr, rep from * to * 4 times, miss 1dc, 2tr A into next 2ch sp, 1tr A into last dc, turn.

24th Row. 3ch A (counts as 1dc and 2ch sp), miss tr on which 3ch stands and next 2tr, 1dc A in between missed tr and next tr, * 2ch, miss next 3tr, 1dc A in between missed tr and next tr, * rep from * to * 12 times more, 2ch A and miss 2tr, 1dc A into last tr, turn.

25th Row. 3ch A, 2tr A into the first 2ch sp, * miss 1dc, 3tr A into the next 2ch sp, * rep from * to * 4 times more, changing to Yarn B on final tr and fastening off Yarn A, ** miss 1dc, 3tr B into next 2ch sp, ** rep from ** to ** twice more, bringing in and changing to Yarn A on the final tr, rep from * to * 5 times, miss 1dc, 2tr A into the next 2ch sp, 1tr A in the top of the last dc, turn. Fasten off Yarn B and weave in ends.

26th Row. 3ch A (counts as 1dc and 2ch sp), miss tr on which 3ch stands and next 2tr, 1dc A in between missed tr and next tr, * 2ch, miss next 3tr, 1dc A in between missed tr and next tr, * rep from * to * 12 times more, 2ch A and miss 2tr, 1dc A into last tr, turn.

27th Row. 3ch A, 2tr A into first 2ch sp, * miss 1dc, 3tr A into next 2ch sp, * rep from * to * 12 times more, miss

1dc, 2tr A into the next 2ch sp, 1tr A into last dc, turn.

28th and 29th Rows. As 26th and 27th rows, do not turn at the end of 29th row and keep Yarn A attached. We will now move to working in the rnd around the outside of the gingerbread house square.

1st Rnd. Using Yarn A, rotate your work so that you are working down the side of the square, work 45dc evenly down the side, 2ch at the corner, 45dc along the bottom of the square, 2ch at the corner, work 45dc evenly up the side of the square, 2ch at the corner, 45dc along the top of the square, 2ch at the corner, ss into top of first dc to join. Fasten off and weave in Yarn A ends. 45dc along each side edge and 4 corner 2ch sps.

2nd Rnd. Using Yarn C, attach yarn at a corner 2ch sp, 2ch (counts as 1htr), 1htr in the corner, * 45htr, (2htr, 2ch, 2htr) at the corner, * rep from * to * twice more, 45htr, (2htr, 2ch) at the corner, ss into the top of the starting 2ch to join. 49htr along each side edge and 4 corner 2ch sps.

3rd Rnd. 3ch and 1tr into corner 2ch sp, (1dc in next htr, miss 2htr, 7tr in next htr, miss 2htr) 8 times, 1dc, * (2tr, 2ch, 2tr) into corner 2ch sp, (1dc in next htr, miss 2htr, 7tr in next htr, miss 2htr) 8 times, 1dc, * rep from * to * once more, (2tr, 2ch, 2tr) into corner 2ch sp, (1dc in next htr, miss 2htr, 7tr in next htr, miss 2htr) 8 times, 1dc in next htr, (2tr, 2ch) into corner 2ch sp, ss into top of first 3ch to join, fasten off Yarn C. 9dc and 8 7tr fans along each side edge and (2tr, 2ch, 2tr) at each corner.

4th Rnd. Using Yarn D, attach yarn at a corner 2ch sp, 3ch, 1tr into corner 2ch sp, 1tr into each of next 2tr, 4trtog over the dc and next 3tr, 3ch, (1dc in 4th tr of next 7tr fan, 2ch, 7trtog over the next 3tr, 1dc and 3tr, 3ch) 7 times, 1dc in 4th tr of next 7tr fan, 2ch, 4trtog over the next 3tr and 1dc, 1tr into each of next 2tr, * (2tr, 2ch, 2tr) into corner 2ch sp, 1tr into each of next 2tr, 4trtog over next dc and next 3tr, 3ch, (1dc in 4th tr of next 7tr fan, 2ch, 7trtog over the next 3tr, 1dc and 3tr, 3ch) 7 times, 1dc in 4th tr of next 7tr fan, 2ch, 4trtog over the next 3tr and 1dc, 1tr into each of next 2tr, * rep from * to * twice more, 2tr in final corner 2ch sp, 2ch and ss into first 3ch to join.

5th Rnd. 2ch at corner, 1htr into each of next 4tr, 1htr into top of 4trtog, 2htr into 3ch sp (1htr into next dc, 2htr into 2ch sp, 1htr into top of 7trtog, 2htr into 3ch sp) 7 times, 1htr into next dc, 2htr into 2ch sp, 1htr into top of 4trtog, 1htr into each of next 4tr, * (1htr, 2ch, 1htr) into corner 2ch sp, 1htr into each of next 4tr, 1htr into top of 4trtog, 2htr into 3ch sp (1htr into next dc, 2htr into 2ch sp, 1htr into top of 7trtog, 2htr into 3ch sp) 7 times, 1htr into next dc, 2htr in 2ch sp, 1htr in top of 4trtog, 1htr into each of next 4tr, * rep from * to * twice more, (1htr, 2ch) into corner 2ch sp, ss into top of first 2ch to join. Fasten off Yarn D and weave in all ends. 236htr and 4 corner 2ch sps.

Your Gingerbread House is complete and nearly ready to decorate!

