Cat Sqaures

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Pattern Instructions



Square

Using main background colour, make a magic loop.

Rnd 1: Ch5 (counts as tr, ch2 throughout), (3tr, ch2) three times into the loop, 2tr, sl st in third ch of starting ch-5 to join (counts as a st throughout), sl st in ch-2 sp to get in position for next rnd (does not count as a stitch throughout). [3 sts per side, 12 sts total)

Rnd 2 Ch5, tr in ch-2 sp, * tr in each st to ch-2 sp, (tr, ch2, tr) in ch-2 sp; repeat from * two more times, tr in each st to ch-2 sp, sl st in third ch of starting ch-5, sl st in ch-2 sp to join. [5 sts per side, 20 sts total]

Rnd 3 As Rnd 2. [7 sts per side, 28 sts total]

Rnd 4 As Rnd 2. [9 sts per side, 36 sts total]

Change to background contrast colour. Rnd 5 is worked into the back loops only, marked white in the photo below.

Rnd 5 Working into BLO, as Rnd 2. [11 sts per side, 44 sts total]

Change to border colour. Rnd 6 is worked in the spaces between stitches.

Rnd 6 Ch1, (2dc, ch2, 2dc) into ch-2 sp, *dc in space between each st to ch-2 sp, (2dc, ch2, 2dc) in ch-2 sp; repeat from * two more times, dc in sp between each st to ch-2 sp, sl st in first st to join. [14 sts per side, 56 sts total]

Fasten off and weave in ends. Block square — this is an essential step. Or see below for modifications.



Cat

Using cat colour, ch23.

Row 1 (RS) Dc in second ch from hook and each st to end. Turn. [22 sts]

Row 2 (WS) Ch1 (does not count as a st throughout), dc in st at base of ch and next 9 sts. Turn. [10 sts, 12 sts unworked to form tail]

Rows 3-8 As Row 2. [10 sts]

Row 9 (RS) Ch1, dc2tog in FLO, dc in each until two sts remain, dc2tog in FLO. Turn. [8 sts]

Row 10 As Row 9, working decreases in BLO. [6 sts]

Row 11 Ch3, sl st in third ch from hook (one ear made), dc in st at base of ch and next 4 sts, ch3, sl st in third ch from hook (second ear made), sl st in last st. [5 sts, 2 ears)

Fasten off and cut yarn, leaving a 20cm (8in) end for sewing.

