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Christmas Granny Afghan

By Katherine Eng

DIRECTIONS
Easy

SIZE
46 x 66 inches

MATERIALS
• 4-ply yarn:
  13 oz soft white
  12 oz soft navy
  9 oz paddy green
  8 oz cherry red
  6 oz each burgundy and
  hunter green
• Crochet hook size G/6
• Yarn needle

GAUGE
Rnds 1 and 2 = 3¼ inches;
  square = 6¼ inches

PATTERN NOTE
Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

SQUARES (make 70)
Rnd 1: With burgundy yarn, ch 4, join to form a ring, ch 3 (first dc), 2 dc in ring, ch 2, [3 dc in ring, ch 2] 3 times, sl st to join in top of beg ch-3, fasten off.

Rnd 2: Draw up a lp of hunter green yarn in any ch-2 sp, ch 3 (first dc), 2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc in same sp, ch 2, [3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc in next ch-2 sp, ch 2] 3 times, sl st to join in top of beg ch-3, fasten off.

Rnd 3: Draw up a lp of soft white yarn in 2nd dc to the left of any corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, sc in same dc, ch 1, sk next dc, 3 dc over ch-2 sp in center dc of 3-dc group of Rnd 1, ch 1, sk 1 dc, sc in next dc, ch 1, sk 1 dc, sc, ch 3, sc in corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, sk 1 dc, *sc in next dc, ch 1, sk next dc, 3 dc over ch-2 sp in center dc of 3-dc group of Rnd 1, ch 1, sk 1 dc, sc in next dc, ch 1, sk 1 dc, sc, ch 3, sc in corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, sk 1 dc, rep from * around, sl st to join in beg sc.

Rnd 4: Ch 1, sc in each st and each ch-1 sp around, working sc, ch 3, sc in each corner ch-3 sp, sl st to join in beg sc, fasten off.

Rnd 5: Draw up a lp of cherry red yarn in 2nd sc to the left of any corner ch-3 sp, ch 1, sc in same sc, [ch 1, sk 1 sc, sc in next sc] rep around, working at each corner ch 1, sk 1 sc, sc, ch 3, sc in corner ch-3 sp, ending with ch 1, sk last sc, sl st to join in beg sc, fasten off.

Rnd 6: Draw up a lp of paddy green yarn in any sc, ch 1, sc in each sc and each ch-1 sp around, working sc, ch 3, sc in each corner ch-3 sp, sl st to join in beg sc, fasten off.

Rnd 7: With soft navy yarn, rep Rnd 5.

Arrange squares 7 x 10. With yarn needle, soft navy yarn and right sides facing, sew tog in strips of 10 squares, using a whipstitch through back lps of sts. Sew strips tog.

BORDER
Rnd 1 (Right side): Draw up a lp of soft navy yarn in any ch-1 sp on long side edge a few inches from corner, ch 1, sc in each ch-1 sp, each sc and ch-3 sp on edge, work hdc in each joining seam and sc, ch 3, sc in each corner ch-3 sp, sl st to join in beg sc, turn.

Rnd 2 (Wrong side): Ch 1, sc in next sc, [ch 1, sk 1 sc, sc in next sc (or next hdc)] rep around, working at each corner, ch 1, sk 1 sc, sc, ch 3, sc in corner ch-3 sp, ending with ch 1, sk last sc, sl st to join in beg sc, fasten off.

Notes: *On the following Rnd 3, each sc and each ch-1 sp counts as 1 stitch.*

Shell: 3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc in indicated st.
Rnd 3 (Right side): Draw up a lp

of burgundy yarn in 6th sc to the left of corner ch-3 sp on either long side edge, ch 1, sc in same sc, [sk 3 sts, shell in next sc, sk 3 sts, sc in next sc] rep around, working at corners 1 and 3, sk 2 sts, shell in corner ch-3 sp, sk 1 st, sc in next ch-1 sp, sk 2 sts, shell in next sc, sk 3 sts, sc in next sc, then continue in pattern around, at corners 2 and 4, sk 2 sts, shell in corner ch-3 sp, sk 2 sts, sc in next sc, then continue in pattern around, ending with sk 3 sts, sl st to join in beg sc, fasten off.

Rnd 4 (Right side): Draw up a lp of cherry red yarn in any sc between 2 shells on edge several inches away from corner, ch 1, sc in same sc, [ch 1, sk 1 sc, sc in next dc, ch 1, sk 1 dc, sc, ch 3, sc in ch-2 sp, ch 1, sk 1 dc, sc in next dc, ch 1, sk 1 dc, sc in next sc] rep around, working at each corner, ch 1, sk 1 dc, sc, ch 3, sc in next dc, ch 1, sk 1 dc, sc, ch 3, sc, ch 3, sc in corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, sk 1 dc, sc, ch 3, sc in next dc, ch 1, sk 1 dc, sc in next sc, ending with join last ch 1 to beg sc, fasten off.

With wrong side facing, block lightly. ✄

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