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## Heart Tile Blanket

I designed this blanket for my son when he was a baby, out of necessity because I didn't have access to patterns. While it was a challenge back then, it became a blessing because without the need for creating patterns, perhaps my career in the craft industry would not have been born.

When I was asked to participate in this wonderful project, the "I Love Yarn" Day, I couldn't think of a more appropriate project to contribute than one of my original designs I created for my baby boy when he and I were alone in a foreign land and wishing for the day we could safely return to our own country.

I was a true beginner when I created this blanket, and therefore I can assure you the pattern is skill level easy! However, in writing the pattern, I have made a few modifications based on my current knowledge of crocheting and pattern writing, meaning yours will lay flatter because you will have proper increases in the corners (and your color separation will be crisper in the heart motif).
Enjoy!! Love, Kristin

## Materials:

Red Heart Super Saver Chunky (in 2 colors). The light (or white color) is color A, and the accent color (darker color) is color B.

3 balls main color, 1 (partial ball) contrast color.
M/13 (9mm) crochet hook.

**EASY**

**Gauge**: in single crochet, 10 sts/11 rows = 4" square

**Finished size:** 36" square

**Instructions**:
Central Heart Tile:
**Row 1:** With color A, ch 20, sc in 2nd ch from hook and ea ch across. -- 19 scs
**Row 2 - 5:** ch1, sc in ea st across.
**Row 6:** ch1, sc in ea of next 9 sts, working the last st halfway (2 loops still on hook). Join color B and complete last st, sc in next st, working st halfway (2 loops still on hook), complete last st with color A and complete remainder of row with color A. -- 19 scs (1 in color B)
**Row 7:** ch1, sc in ea of next 8 sts, working last st halfway (2 loops still on hook). Join color B and complete last st, sc in ea of next 3 sts, working last st halfway (2 loops still on hook), complete last st with color A and complete remainder of row with color A. -- 19 scs (3 in color B)
**Row 8:** ch1, sc in ea of next 7 sts, working last st halfway (2 loops still on hook). Join color B and complete last st, sc in ea of next 5 sts, working last st halfway (2 loops still on hook), complete last st with color A and complete rem of row with color A. -- 19 scs (5 in color B)
**Row 9:** ch1, sc in ea of next 6 sts, working last st halfway (2 loops still on hook). Join color B and complete last st, sc in ea of next 7 sts, working last st halfway (2 loops still on hook), complete last st with color A and complete rem of row with color A. -- 19 scs (7 in color B)
**Row 10:** rep row 9
**Row 11:** ch1, sc in ea of next 5 sts, working last st halfway (2 loops still on hook). Join color B and complete last st, sc in ea of next 9 sts, working last st halfway (2 loops still on hook), complete last st with color A and complete rem of row with color A. 19 scs, (9 in color B)
**Row 12:** rep row 11
**Row 13:** ch1, sc in ea of next 4 sts, working last st halfway (2 loops still on hook). Join color B and complete last st, sc in ea of next 11 sts, working last st halfway (2 loops still on hook), complete last st with color A and complete rem of row with color A. 19 scs, (11 in color B)
**Row 14:** rep row 13
**Row 15:** ch1, sc in ea of next 4 sts, working last st halfway (2 loops still on hook). Join color B and complete last st, sc in ea of next 5 sts, working last st halfway (2 loops still on hook). Join color A and complete st, sc in next st, working halfway (2 loops on hook). Join color B and complete st, sc in ea of next 5 sts, working last st halfway (2 loops still on hook). Join with color A, complete st and complete

rem of row with color A. -- 19 scs (10 in color B)

**Row 16:** ch1, sc in ea of next 5 sts, working last st halfway (2 loops still on hook). Join color B and complete last st, sc in ea of next 3 sts, working last st halfway (2 loops still on hook). Join color A and complete st, sc in ea of next 3 sts, working last st halfway (2 loops on hook). Join color B, complete last st, sc in ea of next 3 sts, working last st halfway). Join color A, complete st and complete rem of row with color A. -- 19 sts (6 in color B)

**Row 17:** with color A, ch1, sc in ea st across. -- 19 scs

**Row 18 - 19:** rep row 17.

*Note:* remainder of blanket is worked in the round.

**Round 20:** ch1, 3sc in first st, 1sc in ea st across, working 3 scs in last st, turn to work into end of rows, 1sc in side of ea row, turn to work in beg ch, 3sc in first ch, 1sc in ea ch across, 3sc in last ch, turn to work into end of rows, 1sc in ea, sl st to first sc at beg of round to join. -- 84 scs

**Round 21**: sl st into 2nd of 3sc in corner, ch4 (counts as dc, ch1), work (dc, ch1, dc) in same st. (ch1, skip 1 st, dc in next st)x9, *ch1, skip 1 st, (dc, ch1, dc, ch1, dc) in next st, (ch1, skip 1 st, dc in next st)x9. Rep from * 2 more times. Ch1, sl st to top of ch3 at beg of round to join.

**Round 22:** Sl st in next ch1 sp dc, ch4 (counts as dc, ch1), work (dc, ch1, dc) in same st, (ch1, dc in next ch1 sp)x11, *ch1, (dc, ch1, dc, ch1, dc) in next dc), (ch1, dc in next ch1 sp)x11. Rep from * 2 more times. Ch1, sl st to top of ch3 at beg of round to join.

**Round 23 - 38:** rep round 23, except work 2 more repeats in ea side of square per round.

*Note:* next round is worked with both colors A and B, alternating every other stitch in ea color.

*Note:* you will finish the last step of ea st with the opposite color.

**Round 39:** with color A, sl st into next ch1 sp, ch3 (counts as dc), with color B, sl st in same ch1 sp, ch3 (counts as dc). *In next ch1 sp, work 1dc in color A, 1dc in color B. Rep from * around. Sl st to ch3 at beg of round with color A and fasten off. Sl st to ch3 sp at beg of round with color B but do not fasten off.

*Note:* remainder of blanket is worked in color B only for edging. 2 sides are worked in a scallop and 2 sides are worked in seed stitch. If you prefer you could use one of these edgings for the entire perimeter.

**Round 40:** ch8 (counts as dc, ch5), dc in same st. *Skip 2 sts, (dc, ch5, dc) in next st. Rep from * 29 more times. (ch1, skip 1 st, sc in next st)x39, ch1. Rep from * once more. Join with sl st to top of ch3 at beg of round.

**Round 41:** slst into ch5 sp, ch3 (counts as dc), work 4 more dc in same sp, *(ch1, sc in next ch5 sp, ch1, 5dc in next ch5 sp)x13, (ch1, skip next sc, sc in next ch1 sp)x38*, 5dc in next ch5 sp. Rep from * to * once more. Slst to ch3 at beg of round to join.

**Round 42:** ch1, *(sc in dc, (ch3, sc in next st)x4, skip sc)x15, (skip next sc, sc in next ch1 sp, ch1)x38, skip next sc, ch1. Rep from * once more. Sl st to first st at beg of round to join. Fasten off.

Weave in loose ends.

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