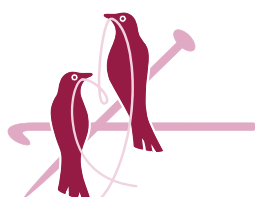


PART
SIX

Sunshine & Showers

Crochet Along Blanket



When I think of autumn, I think of October and when I think of October, I think of Halloween and all things pumpkin related, so it was no surprise to me that as soon as I sat down to work on my design for this month the very first thing that came to mind was to make crocheted bobbles in pumpkin colours! I really love crochet bobbles as they are almost perfectly round and sit a lot more pronounced from the background fabric than their knitted equivalent.

Last time you started a new blanket strip, which you should have made twice over. This month you are working onto the top edge of that strip, and will be using a 4.5mm hook throughout.

MATERIALS

Stylecraft Special DK
100% Premium Acrylic,
100g, 295m (322yds)

	Petrol (1078)	1 ball
	Grape (1067)	1 ball
	Gold (1709)	1 ball
	Khaki (1027)	1 ball
	Graphite (1063)	1 ball
	Meadow (1065)	1 ball
	Spice (1711)	1 ball
	Storm Blue (1722)	1 ball

EQUIPMENT

- Stitch Markers
- 4mm, 4.5mm hooks
- Knitter's needle

TENSION

20 sts x 22 rows = 10cm (4in)
measured over dc

Finished size:

186 x 95-96cm (73¼ x 37½-38in)

Blanket construction:

The blanket is made in four pieces, which will be joined together later on. You need to repeat each stage so that you have the correct pieces of crochet completed to the same point at the end of each pattern stage.



For basic stitch terms and tutorials take a look at the [Janie Crow YouTube channel](#) or the [free technique documents on the website](#).

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Start Crocheting

● Undo last st and rework to the point where you can change yarn shade to **Petrol** on the final step of the st, turn.

● **Row 11 (RS):** Using **Petrol** and **4.5mm hook**, 1ch (does not count as a st) 1dc into each st to end, turn. (171 sts)

● **Row 12:** 1ch (does not count as a st), 1dc into each st to end, changing yarn shade to **Grape** on the final step of the last st, turn. (171 sts)

● **Row 13:** Using **Grape**, 1ch (does not count as a st), 1dc into each st to end, turn. (171 sts)

Bobbles are a little fiddly to make, especially as they are made with the Wrong Side of the work facing you. This means you need to keep an eye on your stitch count and move your yarn from back to front to avoid having yarn left on the incorrect side of the work. I love bobbles; especially when they are worked in a different shade to the background yarn. If you find making bobbles in this way too tricky, you could always just work in one colour to create textural bobbles.

● **Row 14:** Using **Grape** 1ch (does not count as a st) 1dc into each next 4sts, 1dc into the next st until the last step of the stitch so that 2 yarn loops remain on the hook. Bring **Gold** through the last step of the stitch leaving a yarn tail of approximately 15cm (6in). Yarn loop on hook is **Gold**.



● * Using **Gold**, work 5 incomplete treble crochet stitches into the next st, leaving 1 yarn loop on the hook after each stitch so that 6 loops remain on the hook. Bring **Gold** to the front.



● Pick up **Grape** and draw through all yarn loops, pulling the yarn across the back of the bobble. Yarn loop on hook is **Grape**. Tighten the working yarn (Grape) - do not pull too tightly as you can loose the stitch at the top of the bobble.



● Using **Grape**, 1dc into each next 3 sts. 1dc into next st, catching in **Gold** yarn as you work the stitch **. 1dc into each next 3 sts, changing yarn shade to **Gold** on the final step of the last st; repeat from * until a total of 21 bobbles have been made, (5 sts remain), ending last repeat at **, 1dc into last st, turn. Cut Gold yarn.



● **Row 15 (RS):** Using **Grape**, 1ch (does not count as a st) 1dc into each next 5 sts, 1dc into st at top of bobble (Gold), * 1dc into each next 7 sts, 1dc into st at top of bobble (Gold); repeat from * to last 5 sts, 1dc into each next 5 sts, changing yarn shade to Khaki on the final step of the last st, turn. **(171 sts)**



It is a good idea to check that your stitch count is correct as the end of this row!

Use the following as a guide:

- Count 5 sts at the beginning of the row before the first bobble
 - 1 stitch at the top of the next bobble
 - [7 stitches before the next bobble, 1 stitch at the top of the next bobble] x 20 times
 - 5 stitches at the end of the row after the last bobble
- = 171 sts

Stitch count from here to end of pattern will remain at 171 sts.

● **Row 16:** Using **Khaki**, 1ch (does not count as a st), 1dc into each st to end of row, changing yarn shade to Graphite on the final step of the last st, turn.

● **Row 17:** Using **Graphite**, work as Row 16, changing yarn shade to Meadow on the final step of the last st, turn.

● **Row 18 (WS):** Using **Meadow**, 1ch (does not count as a st), 1dc into each next 9 sts, changing yarn shade to Spice on the final step of the st, * bring yarn forward and make a bobble (MB) as for Row 14 changing yarn shade back to Meadow once the bobble is complete (make sure that yarn tails stay on the wrong side of the work), 1dc into each next 3 sts, 1dc into next st weaving in Spice yarn as you work the stitch, 1dc into each next 3 sts, changing yarn shade to Spice ready for next bobble; repeat from * until 20 bobbles have been made (9 sts remain), using Meadow 1dc into each st to end, weaving in the tail end of Spice as before and changing yarn shade to Graphite on the final step of the last st, turn. **(171 sts)**



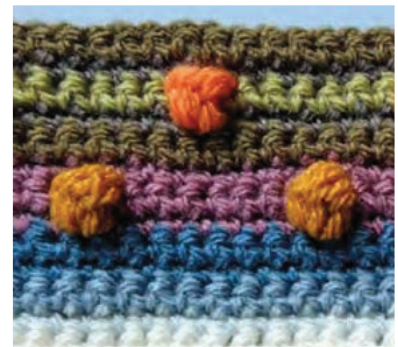
Again it is a good idea to check that your stitch count is definitely correct as the end of this row.

Use the following as a guide:

- Count 9 sts at the beginning of the row before the first bobble
 - 1 stitch at the top of the next bobble
 - [7 stitches before the next bobble, 1 stitch at the top of the next bobble] x 19 times
 - 9 stitches at the end of the row after the last bobble
- = 171 sts

● **Row 19 (RS):** Using **Graphite**, 1ch (does not count as a st) 1dc into each next 9 sts, 1dc into st at top of bobble (Spice), * 1dc into each next 7 sts, 1dc into st at top of bobble (Spice); repeat from * to last 9 sts, 1dc into each next 9 sts, changing yarn shade to Khaki on the final step of the last st, turn. **(171 sts)**

● **Row 20:** Using **Khaki**, 1ch (does not count as a st), 1dc into each st to end of row, changing yarn shade to Grape on the final step of the last st, turn.



● **Row 21:** Using **Grape**, work as for Row 20, do not change yarn shade.

● **Row 22 (WS):** Work bobble row as for Row 14.

● **Row 23:** Work as Row 15, changing yarn shade to Petrol on the final step of the last st, turn.



● **Row 24:** Using **Petrol**, 1ch (does not count as a st), 1dc into each st to end, turn.

● **Row 25:** work as Row 24, changing yarn shade to Storm Blue on the final step of the last st, turn.

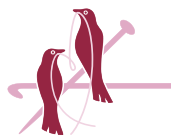
● **Row 26:** Using **Storm Blue**, 1ch (does not count as a st) 1dc into each st to end, place last st on a holder.

By stranding across the back, there are fewer ends to weave in.



Sew in yarn ends.

Work other piece to match. Each piece should measure approximately 13.5-14cm (5³/₈-5¹/₂in) from bottom edge x 92cm (36¹/₄in) wide.



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