



Sunshine & Showers

Crochet Along Blanket



Here in the UK, November is the month when it really hits home that winter is on the horizon. It always seems to me that we are in with a chance of getting lovely autumn days with a few glimpses of sunshine right up until 5th November when the weather seems to change almost overnight, in fact it seems to change from the moment we head out the door for the local firework display!

This month there is quite a lot of hook changing. I have marked in bold the hook you should be using for each row and have also written the instruction to change hook before each row to reinforce the need to change!

MATERIALS

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

	Spice (1711)	1 ball
	Meadow (1065)	1 ball
	Khaki (1027)	1 ball
	Gold (1709)	1 ball
	Lime (1712)	1 ball
	Cream (1005)	1 ball
	Graphite (1063)	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 to make one blanket. 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

Leave the last st on the stitch holder.

● **Row 27 (RS):** Using **Spice** and **4mm hook**, miss 6 sts, join yarn into next st by working 1ch (does not count as a st), 1dc into same st, * 1ch, miss next st, 1htr into next st, 1ch, miss next st, [1dtr into next st, 1ch, miss next st] twice, 1tr into next st, 1ch, miss next st, 1htr into next st, 1ch, miss next st, 1dc into next st, ** 1ch, miss next st, 1dc into next st, 1ch, skip next st, 1 htr into next st; rep from * 9 times, finishing final repeat at **, turn. (169 sts)



Change to **4.5mm hook**.

● **Row 28:** Using **4.5mm hook**, 1ch (does not count as a st), 1dc into st at base of 1-ch, 1dc into next ch-sp, 2dc into each next 6ch-sps, * 3ch, miss [1dc, 1ch, 1dc], 2dc into each next 7 ch-sps; repeat from * 8 times, 3ch, miss [1dc, 1ch, 1dc], 2dc into each next 6ch-sps, 1dc into next ch-sp, 1dc into next st. Fasten off, turn.

Change to **4mm hook**.

Undo stitch from holder (from previous month, Storm Blue) to the point where you can change yarn shade to Meadow on the final step of the stitch, turn.

● **Row 29 (RS):** Using **Meadow** and **4mm hook**, 3ch (counts as 1tr), 1 tr into each next 5 sts, * working along previous row (Spice), 1dc into each next 13 sts, miss next dc made on Row 27 (Spice), working in front of 2 previous rows 3tr into next dc made on Row 26 (Storm Blue), miss 3 ch made on previous row; repeat from * 8 times, working along previous row 1dc into each next 13 sts, miss next dc, working into Row 26 (Storm Blue), 1tr into each next 6 sts, changing yarn shade to Khaki on the final step of the last st, turn. (169 sts)



● **Row 30:** Using **Khaki** and **4.5mm hook**, 1ch (does not count as a st), 1dc into st at base of 1-ch, 1dc into each next 4 sts, 2dc into next st, 1dc into each st to last 6 sts (including 3-ch made at beginning of row), 2dc into next st, 1dc into each next 5 sts working final st into 3rd ch of turning ch, changing yarn shade to Gold on the final step of the last st, turn. (171 sts)

Change to **4mm hook**.

Note: On the next round you will be working the first and last stitch of the row as half treble crochet. It tends to be the norm that the 2-ch made at the beginning of the row would count as a half treble stitch, but in this pattern I have not counted them in order to make the blanket edge firmer and so that stitches don't get lost from row to row.

● **Row 31:** Using **Gold** and **4mm hook**, 2ch (does not count as a st), 1htr into st at base of 2-ch, * 1ch, miss next st, 1tr into next st, 1ch, miss next st, [1dtr into next st, 1ch, miss next st] twice, 1tr into next st, 1ch, miss next st, 1htr into next st, ** 1ch, miss next st, 1dc into next st, 1ch, miss next st, 1dc into next st, 1ch, skip next st, 1 htr into next st; rep from * 10 times ending last repeat at **, turn.



Change to **4.5mm hook**.

● **Row 32:** Using **4.5mm hook**, 1ch (does not count as a st), miss st at base of 1-ch, 2dc into each ch-sp to last st, 1dc into top of next st, turn. (171 sts)

Change to **4mm hook**.

● **Row 33:** Using **4mm hook**, work as for Row 31 changing yarn shade to Khaki on the final step of the last st, turn.



● **Row 34:** Using **Khaki** and **4.5mm hook**, work as Row 32, changing yarn shade to Lime on the final step of the last st, turn.



● **Row 35:** Using **Lime** and **4.5mm hook**, 1ch (does not count as a st), 1dc onto each st to end, fasten off, do not turn.

Note: On the next row you need to work into the back loop of the chain that runs along the top of the stitch rather than underneath the whole chain as you usually would. Working into either the front loop or the back loop of the chain means that part of the chain is left unused and this can create some really nice textural effects. In this case I used the method so that a ridge remains on the Right Side of the work along the top of the last row. Working into the front or back loop can make the stitches feel quite loose, but your tension should even out over the following few rows.

○ **Row 36 (RS):** Using **Cream** and **4mm hook**, join yarn into back loop of the first st by working 3ch (counts as 1 tr), 1tr into back loop of next st, 1ltr into back loop of each next 2 sts, * 1dc into back loop of each next 3 sts, 1ltr into back loop of each next 2 sts, 1tr into back loop of each next 3 sts, 1dtr into back loop of each next 3 sts, 1ltr into back loop of each next 2 sts; repeat from * 9 times, 1dc into back loop of each next 3 sts, 1ltr into back loop of each next 2 sts, 1tr into back loop of each next 2 sts. Turn.



Change to 4.5mm hook.

○ **Row 37 (WS):** Using **Cream** and **4.5mm hook**, 1ch (does not count as a st), 1dc into each st to end working last st into turning ch made at the beginning of the last row and changing yarn shade to Graphite on the final step of the last st, turn. (171 sts)

● **Row 38:** Using **Graphite**, 1ch (does not count as a st), 1dc into each st to end

working last st into turning-ch made at the beginning of the last row, turn. (171 sts)

Row 39: Work as Row 38, place last st on holder.

Sew in yarn ends.

Work other piece to match. Each piece should measure approximately 21cm (8³/₈in) from bottom edge x 92cm (36¹/₄in) wide.



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