

MINI MOON SQUARE



Materials:

- Yarn in two colours, **yarn A** (background) and **yarn B** (moon)
- A hook size to suit your yarn

Abbreviations:

MR = magic ring

CH = chain

SC = single crochet (US), double crochet (UK)

HDC = half double crochet (US), half treble crochet (UK)

DC = double crochet (US), treble crochet (UK)

SLST = slip stitch

FO = fasten off

(#) = number of stitches in row

Notes:

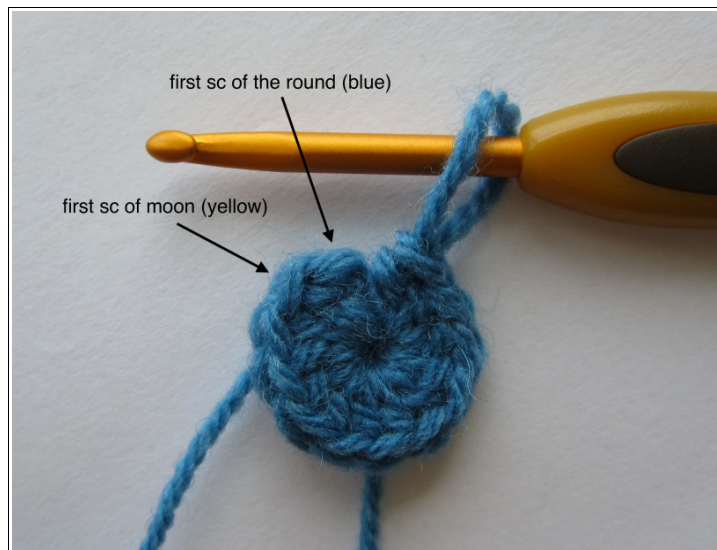
- The moon rows are made in a continuous spiral. **Don't join the rounds** unless instructed, and **don't turn the work**.
- I used a seamless fasten off: <http://www.mooglyblog.com/crochet-video-tutorial-seamless-finishing-when-working-in-the-round/> I've found this makes the bottom part of the moon more pointy, but it should still look moon-like without it.
- I used standing half double and standing double crochet stitches to join in the new colours. They may be tricky stitches to wrap your fingers around, but I love the results. There are tutorials here: <http://www.mooglyblog.com/standing-double-crochet-joining/> and <http://www.mooglyblog.com/standing-half-double-crochet/>

Pattern:

Round 1: With **yarn A**, make a MR and CH2 (does not count as a stitch). 12 HDC in MR. Pull the MR closed. **Don't join the round, don't turn the work.** (12)

Round 2: SC into first stitch. After you've made it, mark this first SC because you'll be using it later. **In yarn B**, SC in next stitch.

FO **yarn A**.





2 HDC in next stitch. HDC and 2 DC in next stitch. 3 DC in next stitch. 2 DC and HDC in next stitch. 2 HDC in next stitch. SC in next stitch. SLST in next stitch.

FO **yarn B**. (15 moon-shape stitches)



Round 3: Join **yarn A** to the stitch with the marker in it. You can either do this by using a standing double crochet stitch, or join the yarn and CH3. [DC, CH2, 2 DC] in the same stitch you joined to.

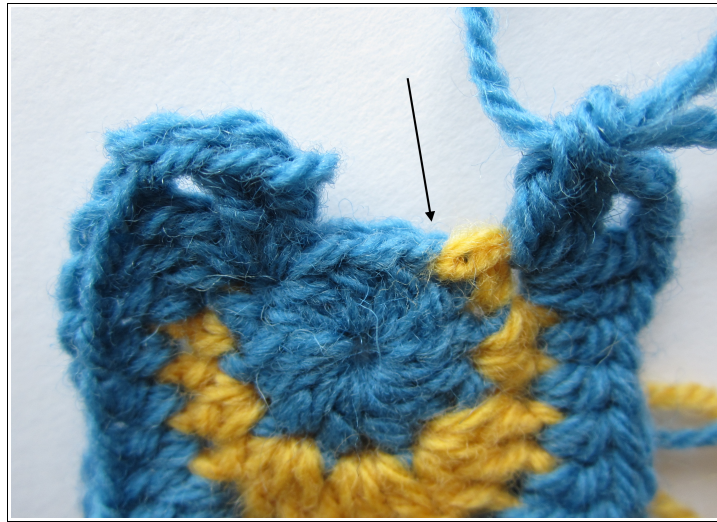
DC in next stitch. HDC in next 3 stitches.

[2 DC, CH2, 2 DC in next stitch, DC in next stitch, HDC in next 3 stitches] 3 times.

SLST to start of round to join.

FO **yarn A**. (32 DC, 4 chain spaces)

Tip: If you did a clean fasten off for the yellow yarn in round two, don't crochet into it. Instead, crochet into the small bit of leftover blue stitch at the side of it. This will help you keep the moon shape sharper.



Round 4: Join **yarn B** to any corner CH2 space of round 3. You can either do this by using a standing half double crochet stitch, or join the yarn and CH2. [HDC, CH2, 2 HDC] in the same space you joined to.

HDC in next 8 stitches.

[2 HDC, CH2, 2 HDC in next CH space, HDC in next 8 stitches] 3 times.

SLST to start of round to join.

FO **yarn B**. (48 HDC, 4 chain spaces)

Round 5: Join **yarn A** to any corner CH2 space using a standing double crochet, or join yarn and CH3. [DC, CH2, 2 DC] in the same space you joined to.

DC in next 12 stitches.

[2 DC, CH2, 2 DC in next CH2 space, DC in next 12 stitches] 3 times.

SLST into start of round to join.

FO. (64 DC, 4 chain spaces)

Weave in any ends. Block if you need to.