Madeleine's Vintage Shawl

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Materials: Fingering weight alpaca; Size "I" crochet hook; stitch markers

Stitches:

- Small Shell: SmShell (dc, ch 1, dc, ch 1) in designated stitch
- Border Shell: BShell (dc, ch1, dc, ch1, dc, ch1, dc) in designated stitch

Gauge:

- When worked in pattern of (dc, ch 1), then 5 dc and 4 ch-1's = 2"
- 4 rows (dc) = 2"

Note: I worked this in super soft fingering-weight alpaca with an "I" hook but it could be done in almost any weight yarn and corresponding crochet hook. If I made this again I think I'd use a DK weight yarn, or increase the number of rounds in the first section so the shawl was longer and wider. This one is a little small for my tastes but it's the same size as the original, which was my goal.





Section 1: Worked in round with right side facing; do not turn at end of rows.

To Start: Ch 10, join with sl st in first ch to form circle.

Rnd 1: Ch 4 (Note: counts as first dc and ch 1 now and throughout), (dc, ch1) 11 times in center of circle. Join with slip stitch in 3rd chain of beginning ch4. (*Total of 12 dc*)

Rnd 2: Slip stitch in first ch1 space, ch 4, dc in same space, ch1; (dc, ch 1, dc, ch 1) in each ch1 space around. Join with slip stitch in 3rd chain of beginning ch4. (*Total of 24 dc*)

Rnd 3: Slip stitch in first ch1 space, ch 4, dc in same stitch, ch 1, *(dc, ch 1) in next ch 1 space, (work SmShell: *dc, ch1, dc, ch1*) in ch 1 space of next Shell, Place Marker in center of Shell*; repeat from * to * around. Join with slip stitch in 3rd chain of beginning ch4.

Rnd 4: Slip stitch in first ch1 space, ch 4, dc in same stitch, ch 1, *(dc, ch 1) in each ch 1 space to next Shell; (work SmShell: dc, ch1, dc, ch1) in ch 1 space of next Shell, moving marker up to new row as needed*; repeat from * to * around. Join with slip stitch in 3rd chain of beginning ch4.

Repeat Row 4 until you have 19 dc and 20 ch1-spaces between Shells. Fasten off.

Section 2: Worked in rows; turn at end of each row.

Fold wrong sides together, with last stitch crocheted (where you fastened off) at top right side. Match up Shells across top edge, securing the 2 sides together with stitch markers at each Shell (use more markers if needed to keep edges together and even).

Row 1: Join yarn with slip stitch at top right edge; ch 4 (counts as first dc and ch 1 now and throughout). Working through both layers of Section 1, *dc in next space, ch1* across.

Row 2: Ch 4, turn. (Dc, ch1, dc, ch1, dc) in same ch1-space as turning chain, ch2, skip next ch1-space, dc in next ch1-space; skip next ch1-space (work BShell: dc, ch1, dc, ch1, dc, ch1, dc) in next ch1-space; repeat from * to * across, ending with BShell in last ch1-space.

- **Row 3**: Ch 4, turn. (work BShell: dc, ch1, dc, ch1, dc, ch1, dc) in next ch1-space (Note: center of BShell on previous row), *(ch1, dc) in each of next 4 chain-spaces (Note: in 1 ch1-space, 2 ch2-spaces, 1 ch1-space), ch1, (BShell: dc, ch1, dc, ch1, dc, ch1, dc) in next ch1-space (Note: center of BShell on previous row)*; repeat from * to * across, ending with ch1, dc in last stitch.
- **Row 4:** Ch 4, turn. (Dc, ch1,) in first 2 ch1-spaces, *BShell in next ch1-space, ch1, (dc, ch1) in next 3 ch1-spaces, skip next ch1-space, (dc, ch1) in next 3 ch1-spaces*, repeat from * to * around ending with dc in 3rd chain of turning ch4.
- **Row 5**: Ch4, turn. (Dc, ch1,) in first 3 ch1-spaces, *BShell in next ch1-space, ch1, (dc, ch1) in next 4 ch1-spaces, skip next ch1-space, (dc, ch1) in next 4 ch1-spaces*, repeat from * to * around ending with dc in 3rd chain of turning ch4.
- **Row 6**: Ch4, turn. (Dc, ch1,) in first 4 ch1-spaces, *BShell in next ch1-space, ch1, (dc, ch1) in next 5 ch1-spaces, skip next ch1-space, (dc, ch1) in next 5 ch1-spaces*, repeat from * to * around ending with dc in 3rd chain of turning ch4.
- **Row 7**: Ch4, turn. (Dc, ch1,) in first 5ch1-spaces, *BShell in next ch1-space, ch1, (dc, ch1) in next 6 ch1-spaces, skip next ch1-space, (dc, ch1) in next 6 ch1-spaces*, repeat from * to * around ending with dc in 3rd chain of turning ch4.
- **Row 8**: Ch4, turn. (Dc, ch1,) in first 6 ch1-spaces, *BShell in next ch1-space, ch1, (dc, ch1) in next 7 ch1-spaces, skip next ch1-space, (dc, ch1) in next 7 ch1-spaces*, repeat from * to * around ending with dc in 3rd chain of turning ch4.
- **Row 9**: Ch4, turn. (Dc, ch1,) in first 7 ch1-spaces, *BShell in next ch1-space, ch1, (dc, ch1) in next 8 ch1-spaces, skip next ch1-space, (dc, ch1) in next 8 ch1-spaces*, repeat from * to * around ending with dc in 3rd chain of turning ch4.

Fasten off. Weave in ends. Block for best results.