Baby Bergs

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A slice of fun...

After making my Battenberg style blanket, inspired by the teatime cake of the same name, making a few smaller and slightly more realistic looking slices seemed like a natural next step! Choose from a simple marzipan coating, or a border with a sugar sprinkling picots to finish.

Pattern Notes

A full pattern including clearly written instructions, stitch abbreviations and tutorial links.

This pattern is written in UK terms

US translations given

Skill Level

Easy

This pattern uses a basic motif with a simple border pattern, photo tutorial links are given.

Yarn

Any yarn can be used to make these mini Baby Battenbergs, only a small amount of yardage for each colour is needed. One 'slice' uses approximately 6g (28 yards) of 4ply/fingering yarn.

I decided to use mine as coasters, it seemed the best way to justify their existence. If you'd like to do the same and want to use yours for anything that is going to get reasonably hot I'd recommend using a wool or cotton yarn. (Nothing with acrylic or similar, which could melt.)

Needles/Hook

3mm (C/D USA) - Or appropriate hook size for your yarn choice.

Materials

Yarn needle

Size

4ply/fingering weight yarn makes a baby berg approximately 10cm (4") square.

Gauge

Each square motif is 4cm (1%") across (With yarn and hook given above)

Useful Information

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Tutorial Links:

<u>Solid Granny Square tutorial</u> (follow first 2 rounds only) Crochet Joins from the back

Abbreviations

beg - beginning

dec - decrease

RS - right side

sp/s - space/s

st/s - stitch/es

tog - together

WS - wring side

yo - wrap yarn over the hook

Stitch Terms

This pattern is written in UK crochet terms. US terms also given below as a guide:

Term	UK Stitch	US Term	US Stitch
ch	chain		
SS	slip stitch		
dc	double crochet	sc	single crochet
dc2tog	work 2 double crochets together	sc2tog	work 2 single crochets together
htr	half treble crochet	hdc	half double crochet
tr	treble crochet	dc	double crochet

Special Stitches

picot

1dc, 3ch, 1dc.

The link/s above and more help with the stitches included in this pattern can be found on my crochet site: Cherry Heart's Crochet Corner www.cherryheartcrochet.co.uk

Sponge Squares

Worked in the round.

Make 4, 2 in each 'sponge' colour.

Make loop: 4ch, ss into first ch to form loop.

Round 1: 4ch [counts as 1tr, 1ch], (3tr, 2ch) three times, 2tr, ss into 3rd ch of beg 4ch, ss to ch sp.

Round 2: 4ch [counts as 1tr, 1ch], 2tr in same sp, *3tr, (2tr, 2ch, 2tr) in ch sp, repeat from * twice more, 3tr, 1tr in beg ch sp, ss into 3rd ch of beg 4ch, ss to ch sp.

Cut yarn.

See tutorial links on page 2 for more help.

Joining with Jam

Arrange squares in a chequerboard pattern (see picture) and join together using contrasting 'jam' coloured yarn and double (US treble) crochet stitches through both sets of stitches or chain space.

See tutorial links on page 2 for more help.

Marzipan Border

Worked in the round.

Join 'jam' coloured yarn to any corner, then:

Round 1: 1ch, *(1dc, 2ch, 1dc) in ch sp, 1dc in each st of first square, dc2tog over adjoining corner spaces, 1dc in each st of second square, repeat from * to beg of the round, ss into top of first dc.

(17 sts per side, not counting corner spaces.)

Cut yarn and join 'marzipan' coloured yarn to corner space, then:

Round 2: 4ch [counts as 1tr, 1ch], 1tr in same ch sp, *1tr in each st to corner, (1tr, 2ch, 1tr) in corner sp, repeat from * to beg of round, ss into 3rd ch of beg 4ch.

Cut yarn.

Sugar Sprinkles Border

Worked in the round.

Work Round 1 as given for 'Marzipan Border'.

Cut yarn and join 'marzipan' coloured yarn to corner space, then:

Round 2: 3ch [counts as 1htr, 1ch], 1htr in same ch sp, *1htr in each st to corner, (1htr, 2ch, 1htr) in corner sp, repeat from * to beg of round, ss into 2nd ch of beg 3ch, ss into ch sp.

Round 3: 1ch, **(1dc, 3ch, 1dc) in corner space, **skip1, picot in next st, skip 1, *1dc, skip 1, picot in next st, skip 1, repeat from * to corner space, repeat from ** to beg of round, ss into top of first dc of round.

Finishing

Weave in any remaining ends and block if necessary.