

THE HOOKED AND LOCKED CAL 2022 – SOLID SQUARES IN MOSAIC CROCHET TECHNIQUE



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INTRODUCTION

This blanket is made with the mosaic crochet technique. A simple technique that uses just 1 color of the yarns per row, so that you don't have to switch yarns all of the time, but still be able to create beautiful patterns.

If you haven't done this kind of crochet before, than please learn the technique first. You can find all about it on my website (<u>https://www.thecraftsteacher.com/</u>). I have written tutorials there with lots of pictures and I have the accompanying video's on my YouTube channel: <u>https://www.youtube.com/c/TheCraftsteacher</u>. I explain there how to to read the pattern charts and the terminology I use for the written pattern.

The picture at the start of this document is the front side of the pattern of the interwoven crochet version. The blanket in mosaic looks exactly the same, you will have a wider border though or have fringes at the sides.

This pattern is also available as interwoven crochet version. See my Ravelry page (<u>https://www.ravelry.com/designers/the-craftsteacher</u>).

YARN AND HOOKS USED

For this blanket I used Scheepjes Colour Crafter in 2 colors. I used Roermond (1123, dark red) for color 1 and Lelystad (1026, pink)for color 2.



Take 15 balls for color 1 and 12 balls for color 2. This is enough for both the blanket and the practice piece. If you want to do the border in two colors (stripes, or color 1 at the front and color 2 at the back, see the tutorial about the border: <u>click here</u>), you need 1 ball less for color 1 and 1 ball more for color 2: so 14 balls for color 1 and 13 balls for color 2.

The balls are 100 grams and have 300 meters working length. It is a 100% Premium Acrylic (Anti Pilling).

I used hooksize 4 mm.

The size of the blanket is about 164 cm x 224 cm.

Important: for my calculations I used **<u>15 cm</u>** of yarn for starting and ending of each row.

Please do the practice piece, that is designed especially for this CAL and that learns you how to do this technique, first. You can download the pattern from this page and you will also find the video there: <u>https://www.thecraftsteacher.com/en/crochet/crochet-tutorials/mosaic-crochet-the-overlay-method/</u>.

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ABOUT THE CHARTS AND WRITTEN PATTERN

I added pattern charts further in this document. Please follow the tutorial on my website or on YouTube if you would like to use these charts to crochet off. I split the chart up in pieces, because it would have become 'unreadable' if I hadn't done that. I repeated rows and columns, so there is some overlap in the charts. I marked the overlaps with a grey shade. You can also follow the written directions and use the charts for checking. See the tutorial here: https://www.thecraftsteacher.com/en/crochet/crochet-tutorials/mosaic-crochet/mosaiccrochet-the-overlay-method/.

ABBREVIATIONS

- dc: double crochet (US terminilogy)
- sc: single crochet