Tutorial Photos for Dog Days Afghan Block by Margaret Macinnis

Rounds 1 and 2: (12 dc in an adjustable loop or in a ch-5 circle)


Round 3: 6 V -buds worked on the wrong side-in every second dc.
Start with hdc, then chain 2.


Then dc in second the first chain you made, which is the second chain from the hook


Then hdc in the same stitch you made the first hdc of the bud, completing the V-bud, which will 'puff' later when turned back to the right side. You'll see!


Finish making a V-bud (hdc, ch-2, dc in second ch from hook, hdc in same st as first hdc) in every second stitch.

Round 3: 6 V-buds


Round 4: 2 sc in each space between each V-bud, and chain 3 between them, working on right side!


Round 5: A dc in every sc, and 3 dc in every chain 3 space, so you end out with 36 dc. Right side again.


Round 6: Worked on the wrong side, and make V-buds again. 18 of them, one V-bud every second stitch.


Right side showing....

Round 7: This time ONE sc between each V-bud, and TWO chains between each sc, and finger tuck the V-buds so they show their dimensionality (pop?) to the right side. This round is worked on the right side.

this is the wrong side

this is the right side; 18 V -buds

Round 8: (The inequity in the side arrangement makes it that you have to work 3 sc in two of the chain two spaces (doesn't really matter which two), and two in all the others. Also work a sc in each sc. ( 56 sc )


Shown on WS, but worked on RS
Round 9: This is your standard 'square off' round. You will end out with corners of ( $2 \mathrm{trc}, \mathrm{ch}-2,2 \mathrm{trc}$ ) in one stitch, and the sides are worked in sequence over the sc ( $2 \mathrm{dc}, 2 \mathrm{hdc}, 5 \mathrm{sc}, 2 \mathrm{hdc}, 2 \mathrm{dc}$ ). You can either 'pray you got the count right in Round 8' or you could have counted it and been sure...


Round 10: Corners are worked in the ch-2 space of Round 8, and are ( $2 \mathrm{sc}, \mathrm{ch}-2,2 \mathrm{sc}$ ), then skip two stitches, chain 2 , and work another sc. That should get you with 5 sc on each side, and chain two spaces bridging them and the corners assembly as well.


Then you can merrily hdc the next Round.
Round 11: Work 3 hdc in each ch-2 space of the sides, and 3 hdc in the corner space, but also work a hdc in each of the four corner assembly sc. So you finish with ( 100 hdc ) which is a nice tidy number.


Then I worked a final round of dc, since I was working with a 5 mm hook (US H), but you may or may not need that. At any rate, there is nothing restricting your playing with colour at any point.

## Finish



