



Placemats & Trivets – UK Pattern

This pattern uses the method of tapestry crochet to create a design on a Trivet. There are lots of additional tips and instructions on how to follow the pattern and create the trivet. The final piece can also be used as a placemat, or plant stand.

The finished piece can either be a single layer, or it can be made with 2 layers for extra thickness and protection for your work tops.



You will need:

- Cotton DK Yarn – 2 colours for each mat. For the items in the photos James C Brett It's 100% Pure DK Cotton was used in 100g balls.
- 4.00mm crochet hook
- Darning needle
- Scissors

Stitches Used (UK Terms):

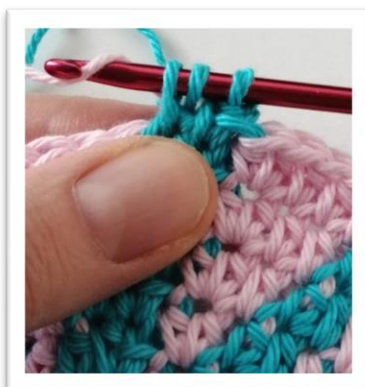
- Chain (ch)
- Half Treble Crochet (htr)
- Slip Stitch (SS)

Please read these notes carefully before starting your project:

Tapestry Crochet involves using 2 colours continuously throughout the project, the colour that is not in use is carried behind the work. To get a clean colour change you must change colour before you finish the stitch.

The photos below show how to change colour within the half treble crochet stitch.

Start the **htr** as normal, then before the final yarn over and pull through, grab the second colour instead and pull it through. (So - yarn over, insert hook, pull through (1st photo), then yarn over with pink (2nd photo) and pull through (3rd photo)).



The 1st stitch in the new colour should look like this.



This project requires a lot of switching back and forth between 2 colours, so it is important to keep the changes neat. The 3rd photo below shows how the non-working yarn is kept behind the stitch.



Tips on reading the pattern:

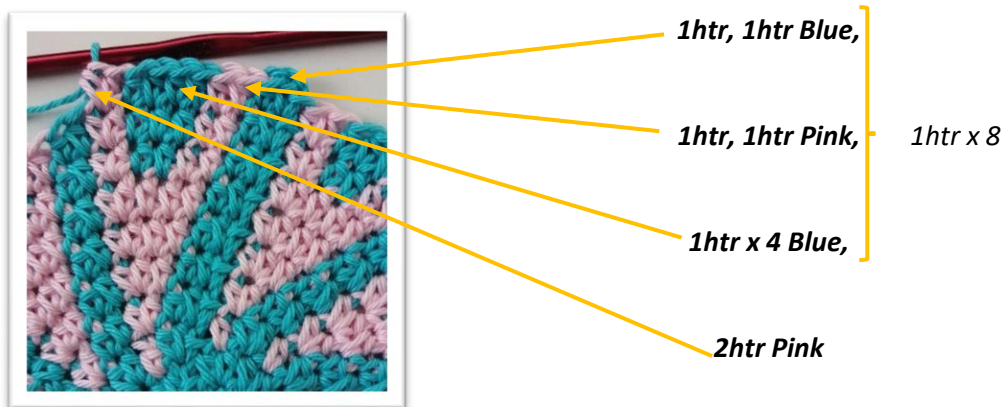
The pattern is worked in the round, and each round is an increasing round. The increasing stitch is 2htr (2htr worked into the same stitch).

The pattern starts with 10htr into a magic ring. Try and think of each round as being split up into 10 sections:

- The 1st round is 10 sections with (1htr) in each section (10htr in total)
- The 2nd round is 10 sections with (2htr) in each section (20htr in total)
- The 3rd round is 10 sections with (1htr, 2htr) in each section (30htr in total)
- The 4th round is 10 sections with (1htr, 1htr, 2htr) in each section (40htr in total). And so on.

This will make more sense once you start the pattern and get to grips with the colour changes – the 2nd colour is introduced in Round 3.

To make the pattern a bit more user friendly, the basic stitch sequence is written down. For example, in Round 10, the stitch sequence is **1htr x 8, 2htr** – so there are 10 sections of 1htr x 8, 2htr. The **colour** sequence is then written in square brackets - **[colour sequence 1htr, 1htr Colour A, 1htr, 1htr Colour B, 1htr x 4 Colour A, 2htr Colour B]** – this shows you when to change colour, so in each section on Round 10, the colour is changed 3 times in each section.



This sequence is then repeated 9 more times to complete the round. So, after the 2htr stitch, the pattern begins again with 1htr, 1htr in blue (or Colour A) and so on. The completed round looks like this:



Lots of photos are included within the pattern as a visual guide.

PATTERN – (APPROX 32cm in diameter)

In the pattern, **COLOUR A** is the background colour (the starting colour) and **COLOUR B** is the design colour.

Write your colours here for reference:

COLOUR A	COLOUR B
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Use Colour A to begin. Make a magic ring and chain 1,

1. Work 10htr into the ring, pull tight, SS to join to 1st stitch, then chain 1
2. 2htr into each stitch around (20htr). SS to join, chain 1
3. Start carrying colour B yarn and work the following stitches - 2htr in colour A, 1htr in colour B – repeat all around [colour sequence 2htr Colour A, 1htr Colour B] (30htr). SS to join, chain 1

1st section (2htr, 1htr)

Round complete



4. 1htr, 1htr, 2htr [colour sequence 1htr, 1htr Colour A, 2htr Colour B] (40htr). SS to join, chain 1



5. 1htr, 1htr, 1htr, 2htr [colour sequence 1htr, 1htr Colour A, 1htr, 2htr Colour B] (50htr). SS to join, chain 1



6. 1htr x 4, 2htr [colour sequence 1htr, 1htr Colour A, 1htr, 1htr, 2htr Colour B] (60htr). SS to join, chain 1



7. 1htr x 5, 2htr [colour sequence 1htr, 1htr Colour A, 1htr, 1htr, 1htr, 2htr Colour B] (70htr). SS to join, chain 1



8. 1htr x 6, 2htr [colour sequence 1htr, 1htr Colour A, 1htr, 1htr Colour B, 1htr, 1htr Colour A, 2htr Colour B] (80htr). SS to join, chain 1



9. 1htr x 7, 2htr [colour sequence 1htr, 1htr Colour A 1htr, 1htr Colour B, 1htr x 3 Colour A, 2htr Colour B] (90htr). SS to join, chain 1



10. 1htr x 8, 2htr [colour sequence 1htr, 1htr Colour A, 1htr, 1htr Colour B, 1htr x 4 Colour A, 2htr Colour B] (100htr). SS to join, chain 1



11. 1htr x 9, 2htr [colour sequence 1htr x 3 Colour A, 1htr x 2 Colour B, 1htr x 3 Colour A, 1htr, Colour B 2htr B/A (so the increasing stitch is 1st stitch in colour B, and 2nd stitch in colour A)] (110htr). SS to join, chain 1



12. 1htr x 10, 2htr [colour sequence 1htr x 4 Colour A, 1htr x 2 Colour B, 1htr x 2 Colour A, 1htr x 2 Colour B, 2htr Colour A] (120htr). SS to join, chain 1



13. 1htr x 11, 2htr [colour sequence 1htr x 5 Colour A, 1htr x 2 Colour B, 1htr x 1 Colour A, 1htr x 2 Colour B, 1htr, 2htr Colour A] (130htr). SS to join, chain 1.



14. 1htr x 12, 2htr [colour sequence 1htr x 6 Colour A, 1htr x 4 Colour B, 1htr x 2, 2htr Colour A]
(140htr). SS to join, chain 1



15. 1htr x 13, 2htr [colour sequence 1htr x 7 Colour A, 1htr x 3 Colour B, 1htr x 3, 2htr Colour A]
(150htr). SS to join, chain 1



16. 1htr x 14, 2htr [colour sequence 1htr x 8 Colour A, 1htr x 1 Colour B, 1htr x 5, 2htr Colour A]
(160htr). SS to join, chain 1

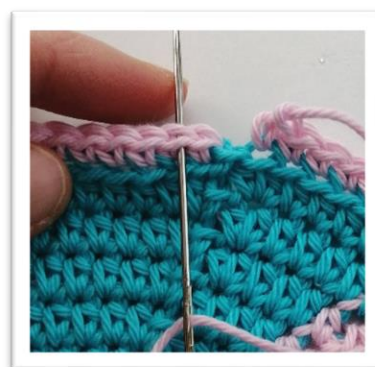


17. 1htr x 15, 2htr – repeat all around in **Colour A** (leave Colour B attached but do not carry around behind your stitches) (170htr). Join with a SS. Instead of working chain 1 with **Colour A**, chain 1 with **Colour B**, then you are ready to start Round 18. *If you are keeping your placemat as a single layer, carry on to Round 18. For the double layer, do not start Round 18 until you have made the backing – see end of pattern for instructions on how to make the back.*

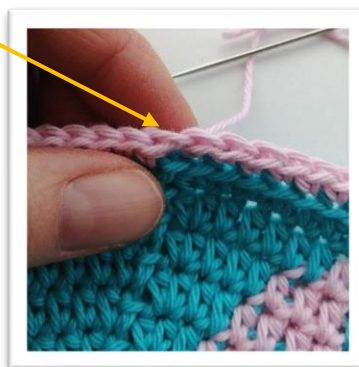
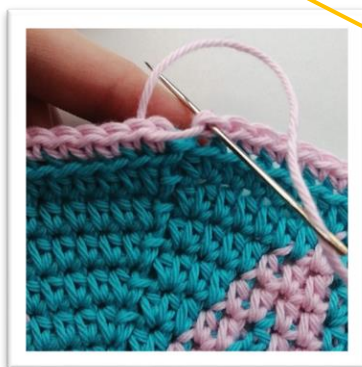


18. Using **Colour B**, work 1dc into the back loops of each stitch around. Join neatly and fasten off. You can use a SS for the final join, or you can use another method which gives you a really neat finish. The steps are outlined below.

Cut your yarn, then pull through the stitch (1st and 2nd photos). Then using a darning needle, thread the yarn under the top of the 2nd stitch of the round (3rd photo).



Thread the needle back through the middle of the top of the final stitch of the round (4th photo). Then pull yarn until it resembles the top of a stitch (5th photo). Then weave in the end through the back of your work.



BACKING – To make a back for your placemat, just to give it extra thickness, all you have to do is make another circle the same size as the one above, but use just one colour.

Make a magic ring and chain 1

1. 10htr into the ring, SS to join, chain 1 (10htr)
2. 2htr into each stitch around, SS to join, chain 1 (20htr)
3. 1htr, 2htr – repeat around, SS to join, chain 1 (30htr)
4. 1htr, 1htr, 2htr – repeat around, SS to join, chain 1 (40htr)
5. 1htr x 3, 2htr – repeat around, SS to join chain 1 (50htr)
6. 1htr x 4, 2htr – repeat around, SS to join, chain 1 (60htr)
7. 1htr x 5, 2htr – repeat around, SS to join, chain 1 (70htr)
8. 1htr x 6, 2htr – repeat around, SS to join, chain 1 (80htr)
9. 1htr x 7, 2htr – repeat around, SS to join, chain 1 (90htr)
10. 1htr x 8, 2htr – repeat around, SS to join, chain 1 (100htr)
11. 1htr x 9, 2htr – repeat around, SS to join, chain 1 (110htr)
12. 1htr x 10, 2htr – repeat around, SS to join, chain 1 (120htr)
13. 1htr x 11, 2htr – repeat around, SS to join, chain 1 (130htr)
14. 1htr x 12, 2htr – repeat around, SS to join, chain 1 (140htr)
15. 1htr x 13, 2htr – repeat around, SS to join, chain 1 (150htr)
16. 1htr x 14, 2htr – repeat around, SS to join, chain 1 (160htr)
17. 1htr x 15, 2htr – repeat around, join neatly and fasten off (170htr). Sew in all ends.

Position your backing against your top piece and follow **Round 18** from the pattern above (but make sure you go through both pieces of work each time).