



US Terms

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The Fruit Garden CAL

Part 1 | Pink Forget-Me-Not

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The Fruit Garden CAL by Jane Crowfoot

Welcome to the start of the Stylecraft Fruit Garden Blanket Crochet Along designed for us by Jane Crowfoot. Designed in two versions, the blanket can be made in Life DK and Batik or in our first yarn from the new Naturals range Bamboo + Cotton. Details of these can be found on our shade list, which is available from our website:

https://www.stylecraft-yarns.co.uk/Crochet+Along+with+Stylecraft/0_CAFA122.htm

Over the forthcoming weeks we will be bringing you a new block every fortnight (2 weeks). The dates for your diary are: 28th April, 12th May, 26th May, 9th June, 23rd June, 7th July, 21st July and 4th August.

The patterns will focus on one motif every fortnight and you will need to complete an average of 4 motifs per set. From Part 2 onwards you will also be making a section of the large Acanthus motifs every week. Some parts will be joined as you go along.

We will set out at the beginning of each block which colors and equipment you will need. We will always repeat abbreviations at the beginning of each pattern. As there are two Color Recipes we will show the colors to use and the measurements for the second Recipe in blue and within brackets

For general hints and tips please see our Crochet Along Introduction pdf which can be found here:

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Introduction

When looking at the flower motifs for this design I wanted to base them on common British garden flowers, most of which I think would have been around in the time of William and May Morris. William often based his work on historical tapestries and loved to look back at existing artefacts, but May, as a prolific artist, tended to work from the nature around her, often basing her embroidery designs on flowers and plants from the garden.

Flowers, fruit and foliage have inspired all the motifs in this design and I have given them the names of the initial inspiration, however this does not mean that they have ended up being true representatives of the how the flowers actually look. Don't be confused if you thought Forget-Me-Nots, for example, are blue with 5 petals, whereas my crochet versions are pink with 8 petals!

I adore Forget-Me-Nots. They don't grow in large numbers in our garden any more, but I love the fact that they are a real indication of warmer weather and that they can grow in the wild in such abundance. Blue is the most common shade, but Forget-Me-Nots also grow with pink and white flowers. Forget-Me-Nots feature in a wallpaper design by William Morris painted in 1870.

For the first part of The Fruit Garden CAL you need to make 8 complete Forget-Me-Not motifs. I have tried to keep the first part of the CAL an easy crochet exercise, with focus on simple flowers and working in the round.

Please make sure you have read the 'Getting Ready' notes before you start working on these pieces.

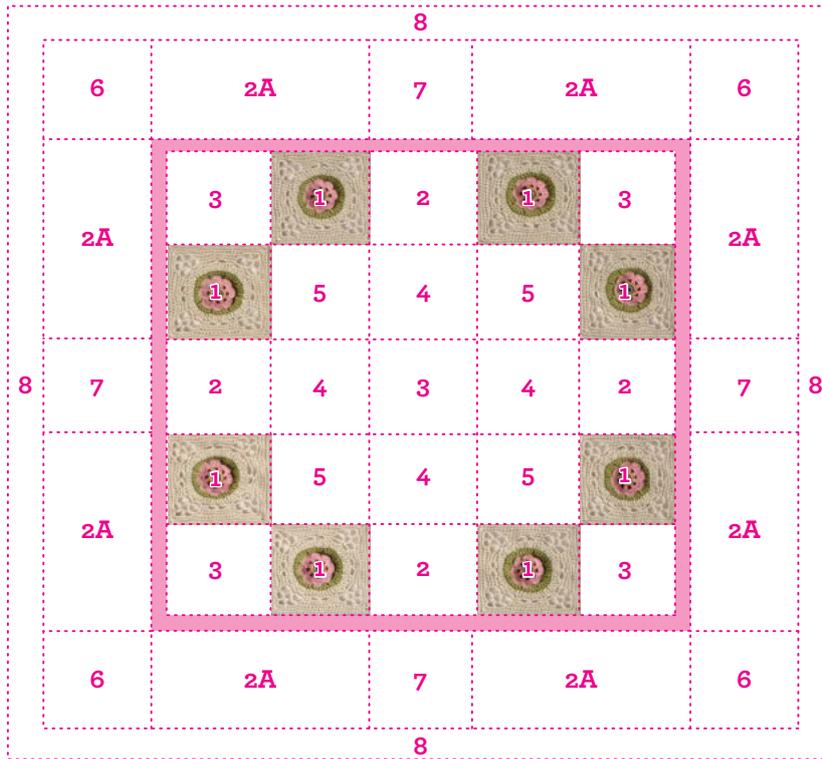
All the square motifs within the project finish with the same stitch count around the outside edge, but they may measure slightly different sizes. Don't worry – the squares are designed to all match up and stretch nicely into place once the blanket is put together!

Once complete The Forget-Me-Not motifs measure 6in (15cm) square in the Life DK & Batik version. They measure 5³/₈in (13.5cm) in the Naturals – Bamboo + Cotton version.

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The next part will be available May 12th.

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- 1 Pink Forget-Me-Not
- 2 Columbine
- 2A Acanthus
- 3 Clementine
- 4 Purple Aster
- 5 Hollyhock
- 5A First Edging
- 6 Dianthus
- 7 Chrysanthemum
- 8 Finishing

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YARN USAGE – COLOUR RECIPE 1:

Life DK: 100g – 326yds (298m),
75% Premium Acrylic, 25% Wool.



Batik: 50g – 151yds (138m),
80% Premium Acrylic, 20% Wool.



Equipment

US G/6 (4mm) crochet hook
Yarn Needle
Stitch Markers

YARN USAGE – COLOUR RECIPE 2:

Naturals – Bamboo + Cotton: 100g – 250m (273yds),
60% Bamboo, 40% Cotton.



Equipment

US E/4 (3.5mm) crochet hook
Yarn Needle
Stitch Markers

For Both Colour Recipes.

(Naturals – Bamboo + Cotton version in brackets).

ABBREVIATIONS

US		UK	
Right Side	RS	Right Side	RS
Wrong Side	WS	Wrong Side	WS
chain	ch	chain	ch
chain space	ch-sp	chain space	ch-sp
slip stitch	ss	slip stitch	ss
stitch space	st-sp	stitch space	st-sp
stitch(es)	st(s)	stitch(es)	st(s)
single crochet	sc	double crochet	dc
half double crochet	hdc	half treble crochet	htr
double crochet	dc	treble crochet	tr
treble crochet	tr	double treble crochet	dtr
single crochet 2 together	sc2tog	double crochet 2 together	dc2tog
single crochet 3 together	sc3tog	double crochet 3 together	dc3tog
double crochet 2 together	dc2tog	treble crochet 2 together	tr2tog
double crochet 3 together	dc3tog	treble crochet 3 together	tr3tog
treble crochet 3 together	tr3tog	double treble crochet 3 together	dtr3tog
Make Bobble	MB	Make Bobble	MB
Spike single crochet	SPsc	Spike double crochet	SPdc
Make Popcorn	MP	Make Popcorn	MP

NOTES:

All rounds on this motif are worked with RS facing.

When working slip-stitches (ss) at the end of the rounds, work either into the top of the next stitch or into the 3rd ch of the ch-3 made at the beginning of the round.

Fastening off and rejoining yarn

You will achieve a much neater color change if you complete rounds and fasten off the yarn, rather than joining mid stitch. When fastening off a yarn at the end of a round, the slip stitch that you have made to join can look like a stitch when you are working the following round. Make sure you count correctly and do not count the slip stitch as a stitch when working subsequent rounds.

Dealing with yarn ends

I tend to sew yarn ends in as I go along – doing this makes the finishing process much easier as you will have less to do. Sewing yarn ends in as you go along also means that you are less likely to lose stitches or make errors with your tension.

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METHOD (make 8)

Using G/6 (E/4) hook and Graphite (Night) ch4, join with a ss to form a ring.

Foundation Round: ch1 (does not count as a st), 8sc into ring, ss to join, fasten off. (8sts)

Round 1: Using Caramel (Peach) join yarn into any st by working ch1 (does not count as a st), 2sc into same st, 2sc into each st to end, ss to join, fasten off. (16sts)



Round 2: Using Life DK Rose (Rose) join yarn into any st by working ch1 (does not count as a st), 1sc into same st, * ch2, skip next st, 1sc into next st; repeat from * to end, omitting 1sc on final pattern repeat, ss to join. (8sts & 8 ch-sps)

Round 3: ss into next ch-sp, ch1 (does not count as a st), [1sc, 3dc, 1sc] into same ch-sp, [1sc, 3dc, 1sc] into each ch-sp to end, ss to join, fasten off. (40sts - 8 petals made)

Approximate Measurement: 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ in (6cm) across widest point. (Naturals - Bamboo + Cotton 2in (5cm))



Round 4: Using Cranberry (Umbur) and working behind previous round join yarn into any skipped st made on Round 1 (Caramel) (Peach) by working ch1 (does not count as a st), 1sc into same st, * ch2, 1sc into next skipped st; repeat from * omitting 1sc on final pattern repeat, ss to join, fasten off. (8sc & 8 ch-sps)



Round 5: Using Fern (Thyme) join yarn into any ch-sp by working ch1 + ch5 (counts as 1dc & ch-3) * 1dc into next ch-sp, ch3; repeat from * to end, ss to 3rd ch of ch-6 made at beginning of round to join. (8dc & 8 ch-sps)

Round 6: ss into next ch-sp, ch3 (counts as 1dc), 4dc into same ch-sp, 5dc into each ch-sp to end, ss to join, fasten off. (40sts)

Approximate Measurement: 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ in (7cm) across widest point (Naturals - Bamboo + Cotton 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ in (6cm))



Round 7: Using Parchment (Night) join yarn into first st of any 5dc group made on previous round by working ch1 + ch2 (counts as 1dc), * 2dc into next st, 1dc into next st, 2dc into next st, 1dc into each next 2sts; repeat from * to end, omitting 1dc on final pattern repeat, ss to join. (56sts)

Approximate Measurement: 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ in (9.5cm) across widest point. (Naturals - Bamboo + Cotton 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ in (9cm))



Round 8: ss into each next 2sts, ch1 (does not count as a st), * 1sc into next st, ch3, skip 2sts, 1sc into next st, 2sc into next st, ch3, skip 2sts, 1sc into next st, ch3, skip 2sts, 2sc into next st, 1sc into next st, ch3, skip 2sts; repeat from * to end, ss to join. (32sts & 16 ch-sps)



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Round 9: ss into next ch-sp, ch1 (does not count as a st), 3sc into same ch-sp, * 1sc into each next 3sts, ch3, skip next ch-sp, [1dc, ch3, 1dc] into next st, ch3, skip next ch-sp, 1sc into each next 3sts, 3sc into each next 2 ch-sp; repeat from * to end, omitting 3sc on final pattern repeat, ss to join. (48sc, 8dc & 12 ch-sp)



Round 10: ch1 (does not count as a st), 1sc into each next 5sts, * 2sc into next ch-sp, ch3, [1dc, ch3, 1dc] into next ch-sp, ch3, 2sc into next ch-sp, skip next st, 1sc into each next 11sts; repeat from * to end, omitting 5sc on final pattern repeat, ss to join. (60sc, 8dc & 12 ch-sp)



Round 11: ch1 (does not count as a st), 1sc into next st, * 1hdc into each next 3sts, 1sc into each next 2sts, 3sc into next ch-sp, 5sc into next ch-sp, 3sc into next ch-sp, skip next st, 1sc into each next 2sts, 1hdc into each next 3sts, 1sc into each next 4sts; repeat from * to end, omitting 1sc on final pattern repeat, ss to join. (100sts)

Approximate Measurement: 5½in (13cm) across widest point (Naturals - Bamboo + Cotton 4¼in (12cm))



Round 12: ch1 (does not count as a st), 1sc into each next 10sts, * [1hdc, 1dc, 1hdc] into next st, 1sc into each next 24sts; repeat from * to end, omitting 10sc on final pattern repeat, ss to join. (108sts)

Round 13: ch1 (does not count as a st), 1sc into each next 10sts, * 3sc into next st, 1sc into each next 26sts; repeat from * to end, omitting 10sc on final pattern repeat, ss to join. (116sts)

Approximate Measurement: 6in (15cm) square. (Naturals - Bamboo + Cotton 5¾in (13.5cm))

Colour Recipe 1



Colour Recipe 2



Place markers into each corner st counting 28sts between each marker.

Sew in yarn ends.

Make 7 more to match.

Note: I suggest you do not block the motifs at this point. Washing and blocking guidance is given at the end of pattern Part 8.