



US Terms

# Crochet Along

Stylecraft



## Under the Sea CAL

Part 7 | Big Shells

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## Under the Sea CAL by Catherine Bligh

Welcome to the start of the Stylecraft Under the Sea Blanket Crochet Along designed for us by Catherine Bligh. Designed in three colorways, the blanket can be made in Special DK, Bellissima & Bambino DK, or Batik DK.

Over the forthcoming weeks we will be bringing you a new block every fortnight (2 weeks). The dates for your diary are: 5th April, 19th April, 3rd May, 17th May, 31st May, 14th June, 28th June, 12th July and 26th July.

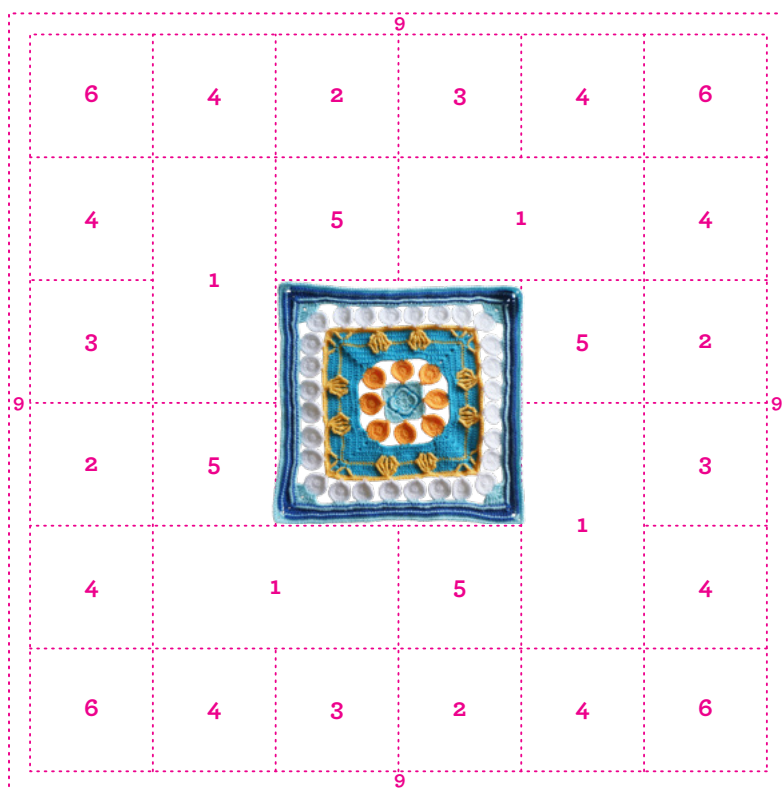
The patterns will focus on one motif every fortnight and you will need to complete an average of 3 motifs per set.

We will set out at the beginning of each motif which colors and equipment you will need. We will always repeat abbreviations at the beginning of each pattern. As there are three Color Recipes, the colors have been labelled A, B, C etc so you can easily identify which color you need for your chosen blanket. The step by step images within the patterns have been shown in the first colorway, using Special DK. The completed motifs in the other two colorways will be shown at the end of each pattern.

For general hints and tips please see the Getting Ready document which can be found here: <https://www.stylecraft-yarns.co.uk/Content/Downloads/UndertheSea-0GettingReadyv5.pdf>

There are 7 different motifs that, when joined together create a 53"/135cm square blanket

The next part will be available 12th July.



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## YARN USAGE

### COLORWAY 1 FATHOMS BELOW

#### Special DK:

100g – 295m (322yds)  
100% Premium Acrylic.



A  
Lapis



C  
Turquoise



E  
Sherbet



F  
Saffron



G  
Clementine



I  
White

## YARN USAGE

### COLORWAY 2 BEAUTIFUL BRINY SEA

#### Bambino DK:

100g – 268m (293yds), 100%  
Premium Acrylic.

#### Bellissima DK:

100g – 268m (293yds), 100%  
Premium Acrylic.



A  
All at Sea  
(Bambino)



C  
Blue Mist  
(Bambino)



E  
Vintage Blue  
(Bambino)



F  
Mellow Yellow  
(Bellissima)



G  
Toasted Almond  
(Bellissima)



I  
Single Cream  
(Bellissima)

The numbers in brackets at the end of each round's instructions are the numbers of stitches that should be in that round.

A 'hard' repeat (eg, one side of a square) is started with \* and ends with \*\*.

A 'soft' repeat (eg, a repeated pattern within each side of a square) is started with << and ends with >>.

Note: when breaking yarn, remember to leave a long tail to make it easier to sew it in securely at the end.

## STITCHES USED

US terminology.

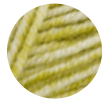
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Ch	chain
Sl st	slip stitch
Sc	single crochet
Sc2tog	single crochet 2 sts together
Hdc	half double crochet
Dc	double crochet
Ttc	half treble crochet
Tc	treble crochet
Hdte	half double treble crochet
Dtr	double treble crochet
Bpsc	back post single crochet
Bphdc	back post half double crochet
Bpdc	back post double crochet
Fpdc	front post double crochet
Fptc	front post treble crochet
Bptc	back post treble crochet

## YARN USAGE – COLORWAY 3 – THE EDGE OF THE WATER

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



A  
Storm



C  
Pistachio



E  
Teal



F  
Rose



G  
Heather



I  
Biscuit

## PATTERN NOTES

Individual round notes will be marked in **bold**. Example:

**Note: put st markers in 4th, 13th, 22nd and 31st sts.**

Helpful hints (eg, about stitch placements) will be bracketed, italicised, and colored **red**.

Example: Skip first hdc (*the 'hidden' first hdc*)

A ch3 (or ch2) at the beginning of a round always counts as a beginning dc (or *beginning hdc*), unless otherwise stated.

Where you are not working directly into the round below, the relevant round will be **bolded**.

## ABBREVIATIONS

Beg	beginning
Rep	repeat
Rnd	round
RS	Right Side
St(s)	stitch(es)
WS	Wrong Side
Yo	yarn over (yarn round hook)

## EQUIPMENT

4.5mm (US 7 / UK 7) crochet hook

(or the size required to give the correct measurements)

Tapestry Needle

Locking Stitch Markers

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## METHOD (make 1)

You need to make one of these, which should measure 17"x17"/43 cm x 43 cm. As with the smaller squares, it has quite a lot of stretch built into it.

When joining circle to the main work, put the wrong sides together and work the sl st from back to front of the circle you're joining to your main work. Make sure you pull your slip stitches quite tight; this will create a neater join, and shouldn't pucker the fabric of the work.

**Round 1:** With color E, in a magic circle, ch1, then 6sc. Join with sl st to beginning sc. Pull the beginning yarn end tight to close the circle. (6 sc)

**Round 2:** Ch3 (*counts as dc here and throughout*), then dc in same stitch, and 2dc in next five stitches. Join with sl st to beginning dc. (12 dc)

**Round 3:** Ch3, then 6dc in same stitch. Work (skip next two stitches, then 7dc in next stitch) three times. Skip next two stitches. Join with invisible join to beginning dc. Break off yarn. (28 dc)



**Round 4:** With color C, begin with a standing bpdc around the first of any 7dc group. Bpdc around the next six stitches. \*Work a spike stitch between two dc below current position in round two. Bpdc around next seven stitches\*\*. Repeat from \* to \*\* three times, omitting final seven bpdc. Join with invisible join to beginning bpdc. Break off yarn. (28 bpdc, 4 spike stitch. 32 stitches in total)



Make sure you work the spike st *between* 2 dc from Rnd 2.

**Round 5:** With color E, begin with a standing tc in any spike stitch, then 8tc in same stitch. \*Skip next three stitches, then sc in next stitch. Skip next three stitches, then 9tc in next stitch\*\*. Repeat from \* to \*\* three times, omitting final 9tc. Join with invisible join to beginning tc. Break off yarn. (36 tc, 4 sc. 40 stitches in total)



**Round 6:** Work the following four times:

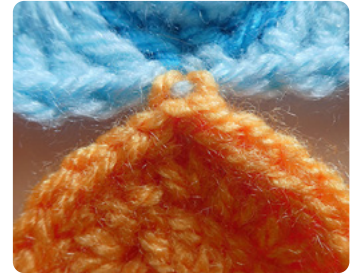
- With color G, in a magic circle, ch3, then 11 dc. Join with sl st to beginning dc. Pull the beginning yarn end tight to close the circle. (12 dc)
- Ch3, then dc in same stitch, and 2dc in next ten stitches. Dc in next stitch, then, inserting your hook from back to front, work a sl st into the fifth tc of any 9tc group from round **five**. Dc in same stitch of circle. Join with invisible join to beginning dc. Break off yarn. (24 dc)

And the following four times:

- With color G, in a magic circle, ch3, then 11 dc. Join with sl st to beginning dc. Pull the beginning yarn end tight to close the circle. (12 dc)
- Ch3, then dc in same stitch, and 2dc in next ten stitches. Dc in next stitch, then, inserting your hook from back to front, work a sl st into any sc from round **five**. Dc in same stitch of circle. Join with invisible join to beginning dc. Break off yarn. (24 dc)

(8 discs, comprising 288 dc in total)

**Note:** put st markers in 11th tr on outer ring of each disc.



Put the wrong sides together and work the sl st from back to front of the circle you're joining to your current circle.

Make sure you pull your slip stitches tight, to create a neater join.



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**Round 7:** With color C, begin with a standing dc in the 10th outer dc of any disc joined to a tc stitch, and dc in next stitch. \*Work (2dc, ch2, 2dc) in next stitch, then dc in next two stitches. Ch6 loosely, then sc into the 11th outer dc of next disc, skipping all stitches in between. Sc in next two stitches. Ch6 loosely, then dc into the 10th outer dc of next disc, skipping all stitches in between. Dc in next stitch\*\*. Repeat from \* to \*\* three times, omitting final two stitches. Join with sl st to beginning dc. (32 dc, 12 sc, 8 ch6. 92 stitches in total)



Make sure to work dc sts into a corner disc, and that the first dc is in 10th dc - i.e., the st before the marker.



Your work won't want to sit flat at this point. That's okay! It will by the end.

**Round 8:** Ch3, then dc in next three stitches. \*Work (2dc, ch2, 2dc) in ch2 space, then dc in next four stitches. Work 8dc in ch6 space, then hdc in next three stitches. Work 8dc in ch6 space, then dc in next four stitches\*\*. Repeat from \* to \*\* three times, omitting final four stitches. Join with sl st to beginning dc. (112 dc, 12 hdc, 4 ch2. 132 stitches in total)

**Round 9:** Ch3, then dc in next five stitches. \*Work (2dc, ch2, 2dc) in ch2 space, then dc in next thirty-one stitches\*. Repeat from \* to \*\* three times, omitting final six dc. Join with sl st to beginning dc. (140 dc, 4 ch2. 148 stitches in total)

**Note: put stitch markers in 12th and 25th stitch along each side.**

**Round 10:** Ch3, then dc in next seven stitches. \*Work (2dc, ch2, 2dc) in ch2 space, then dc in next thirty-five stitches\*\*. Repeat from \* to \*\* three times, omitting final eight dc. Join with invisible join to beginning dc. Break off yarn. (156 dc, 4 ch2. 164 stitches in total)



**Round 11:** With color F, begin with a standing sc in any ch2 corner space, then 2sc in same space. \*Sc in next nine stitches.

Work fpdtr around 11th dc from round **nine**. Skip next stitch of round ten, and sc in next stitch.



Work fpdc around 11th dc from round **nine** (above the fpdtr stitch). Skip next stitch of round ten, and sc in next stitch.



Work fpdc around 12th dc from round **nine**. Skip next stitch of round ten, and sc in next stitch.

Work fpdc around 13th dc from round **nine**. Skip next stitch of round ten, and sc in next stitch.

Make sure you work this fpdtr below the fpdc, around the post of the same stitch.

Work fpdtr around 13th dc from round **nine** (below the fpdc stitch). Skip next stitch of round nine, and sc in next four stitches.

Work fpdtr around 24th dc from round **nine**. Skip next stitch of round ten, and sc in next stitch.

Work fpdc around 24th dc from round **nine** (above the fpdtr stitch). Skip next stitch of round ten, and sc in next stitch.

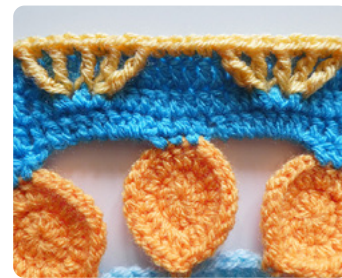
Work fpdc around 25th dc from round **nine**. Skip next stitch of round ten, and sc in next stitch.

Work fpdc around 26th dc from round **nine**. Skip next stitch of round ten, and sc in next stitch.

Work fpdtr around 26th dc from round **nine** (below the fpdc stitch).

Skip next stitch of round nine, and sc in next eight stitches. Then 3sc in ch2 space.\*\*.

Repeat from \* to \*\* three times, omitting final 3sc. Join with invisible join to beginning sc. Break off yarn. (128 sc, 25 fpdc, 16 fpdtr. 168 stitches in total)



**Round 12:** With color C, begin with a standing dc in the second of any 3sc, then (ch2, dc) in same stitch. \*Dc in next forty-one stitches, then (dc, ch2, dc) in next stitch\*\*. Repeat from \* to \*\* three times, omitting final (dc, ch2, dc). Join with sl st to beginning dc. (172 dc, 4 ch2. 180 stitches in total)

**Note: put stitch markers in 2nd and 41st stitches on each side.**

**Round 13:** Ch3. \*Work (dc, ch2, dc) in ch2 space, then dc in next forty-three stitches\*\*. Repeat from \* to \*\* three times, omitting final dc. Join with invisible join to beginning dc. Break off yarn. (180 dc, 4 ch2. 188 stitches in total)

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## Round 14: Special st for this rnd:

Yarn over four times, insert hook around post of first fptr below current position in round twelve, pull up a loop (six loops on hook), then (yo, draw through two loops four times (two loops on hook).



Yarn over three times, insert hook around post of first fptc below current position in round twelve, pull up a loop (six loops on hook), then (yo, draw through two loops) three times (three loops on hook).



Yarn over two times, insert hook around post of second fptc below current position in round twelve, pull up a loop (six loops on hook), then (yo, draw through two loops) two times (four loops on hook).



Yarn over three times, insert hook around post of third fptc below current position in round twelve, pull up a loop (eight loops on hook), then (yo, draw through two loops) three times (five loops on hook).



Yo 4 times, insert hook around post of second fptrtr below current position in Rnd 12, pull up a loop (10 loops on hook), then (yo, draw through 2 loops) 4 times (6 loops on hook).

Yarn over, and pull loop through all six loops at once. Stitch complete.



This stitch is basically an elaborate 5-together front post stitch. The first and last stitches are the tallest stitch, and the middle stitch is the shortest. It looks more complicated than it is; once you've got the hang of how many times to yarn over at the beginning of each part, you'll find it works up very easily and quickly.

With color F, begin with a standing sc in any ch2 corner space, and 2sc in same space. \*Work fptc around second dc of round **twelve**. Skip next stitch of round thirteen, sc in next five stitches, then fptc around third dc of round **twelve**. Skip next stitch of round thirteen, then sc in next ten stitches.

Work special stitch, skip next stitch of round thirteen, then sc in next twelve stitches. Work special stitch, skip next stitch of round thirteen, then sc in next eight stitches.

Work fptc around 41st dc from round **twelve**. Skip next stitch of round thirteen, sc in next five stitches, then fptc around 42nd dc of round **twelve**. Do not skip next stitch of round thirteen. Work 3sc in ch2 space\*\*.

Repeat from \* to \*\* three times, omitting final 3sc. Join with sl st to beginning sc. (172 sc, 16 fptc, 8 special stitch. 196 stitches in total)



**Round 15:** Ch1, then sc in same st. \*4sc in next stitch, then sc in next forty-eight stitches\*\*. Repeat from \*to \*\* three times, omitting final sc. Join with invisible join to beginning sc. Break off yarn. (208 sc)

**Note:** Put stitch markers in the third sc of each 4sc group (which will become corners), and in the 6th, 14th, 22nd, 30th, 38th and 45th sc along each side.

**Round 16:** Work the following twenty-eight times:

- With color I, in a magic circle, ch3, then 11 dc. Join with sl st to beginning dc. Pull the beginning yarn end tight to close the circle. (12 dc)
- Ch3, then dc in same stitch, and 2dc in next ten stitches. Dc in next stitch, then, inserting your hook from back to front, work a sl st into a marked sc from round fifteen. Dc in same stitch of circle. Join with invisible join to beginning dc. Break off yarn. (24 dc)

(28 discs, comprising 1008 dc in total)

**Note:** put stitch markers in 11th dc on outer ring of each disc.

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**Round 17:** With color E, begin with a standing tc in the 10th outer dc of any corner disc, and tc in next stitch. \*Work (2tc, ch2, 2tc) in next stitch, then tc in next two stitches. Ch5 loosely, then sc into 11th outer dc of next disc, skipping all stitches in between, and sc in next two stitches. Then work (ch3 loosely, sc into 11th outer stitch of next disc, skipping all stitches in between, and sc in next two stitches) twice. Ch3 loosely, sc into 11th outer stitch of next disc, skipping all stitches in between, and sc in next two stitches. Ch5 loosely, then tc in 10th outer dc of corner disc, and tc in next stitch\*\*. Repeat from \* to \*\* three times, omitting final two tc. Join with sl st to beginning tc. (32 tc, 48 sc, 12 ch3, 8 ch5, 8 ch4, 4 ch2. 196 stitches in total)



Make sure you work your tc stitches into a corner disc, and that the first tc is in the 10th dc - i.e., the stitch *before* the stitch marker position.



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**Round 18:** Ch3, and dc in next three stitches. \*Work (2dc, ch2, 2dc) in ch2 space, then dc in next four stitches. Work 7hdc in ch5 space. Then work (hdc in next three stitches, 5hdc in ch3 space, hdc in next three stitches, and 6hdc in ch4 space) twice. Hdc in next three stitches, 5hdc in ch3 space, and hdc in next three stitches. Work 7hdc in ch5 space, then dc in next four stitches\*\*. Repeat from \* to \*\* three times, omitting final four dc. Join with invisible join to beginning dc. Break off yarn. (236 hdc, 48 dc, 4 ch2. 292 stitches in total)

**Round 19:** With color A, begin with a standing dc in any corner ch2 space, then (ch2, dc) in same space. \*Bptc around next six stitches, bpdcc around next fifty-nine stitches, then bptc around next six stitches and (dc, ch2, dc) in ch2 space\*\*. Repeat from \* to \*\* three times, omitting final (dc, ch2, dc). Join with sl st to beginning dc. (236 bpdcc, 48 bptc, 8 dc, 4 ch2. 300 stitches in total)



**Round 20:** Ch3. \*Work (dc, ch2, dc) in ch2 space, then dc in next four stitches. Hdc in next sixty-five stitches, then dc in next four stitches\*\*. Repeat from \* to \*\* three times, omitting final dc. Join with invisible join to beginning dc. Break off yarn. (260 hdc, 40 dc, 4 ch2. 308 stitches in total)

**Round 21:** With color E, begin with a standing hdc in any corner ch2 space, then (hdc, ch2, 2hdc) in same space. \*Bpdc around next seventy-five stitches, then (2hdc, ch2, 2hdc) in ch2 space\*\*. Repeat from \* to \*\* three times, omitting final (2hdc, ch2, 2hdc). Join with sl st to beginning hdc. (300 bpdcc, 16 hdc, 4 ch2. 324 stitches in total)



**Round 22:** Ch1, then sc in same stitch and in next stitch. \*3sc in ch2 space, skip first hdc (*the 'hidden' first hdc*), then sc in next seventy-eight stitches\*\*. Repeat from \* to \*\* three times, omitting final two sc. Join with invisible join to beginning sc. Break off yarn. (324 sc)

Sew in all ends.



Completed block in Colorway 1



Completed block in Colorway 2



Completed block in Colorway 3