“Celebration” Shawl

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This shawl combines two craft skills – crocheting and pin loom weaving. If you already know one, then this project invites you to learn the other. Only basic skill levels are required.

The LANG Yarns Mille Colori 200g will ensure that each woven hexagon is unique, which makes it fun to weave, and your shawl will be guaranteed one-of-a-kind. The Wonderland Yarns Cheshire Cat adds such a happy, refreshing color accent that makes spring feel imminent.

Let’s celebrate!

Shawl size: Approximately 15” at its widest point, with about 67” measured end-to-end. The shawl shown uses up almost all of the yarn. You can easily make the shawl longer and/or wider by adding more hexagons, but it will also require more yarn.

Skills: Basic pin loom weaving skills. Basic crocheting skills. Basic sewing skills.

Materials



Original **TURTLE Loom™** kit. You can find this loom kit at www.bluebonnetcrafters.com Find instructional videos on how to weave on the TURTLE Loom™ at http://bit.ly/TurtleLoom

MILLE COLORI 200 G by LANG Yarns, approx. 415yds/200 grams, color 946.0016, 1 cake

CHESHIRE CAT by Wonderland Yarns, approx. 512yds/4 oz, color #46 Little Busy Bee, 1 skein

Crochet hook, size D, or size to achieve gauge. (Crochet hook hand turned in Texas by Bryan Nelson).

Design felt (optional)

Locker hook, 6” (optional)

Scissors, sewing needle





Making the Shawl

Weave 61 hexagons.



We recommend that you start using the yarn end on the outside of the cake to avoid tangling. Then, just start weaving according to the loom instructions. The color development of the yarn will automatically make each hexagon unique.

Tip: If you would like some help with learning to weave hexagons, you can find instructional videos at http://bit.ly/TurtleLoom.

Tip: If you plan on sewing the hexagons together using the yarn ends, use the following guidelines to ensure that the yarn ends are long enough:

- Before you start weaving a hexagon, measure twice the width of your TURTLE Loom™ before making the slip knot.
- After weaving the "bias part", wrap the yarn around "five times and to the top" before you cut.

About crocheting the hexagons …



Important Swatch: Crochet one hexagon to determine proper gauge. If it comes out the same or close to the same size as the woven hexagons, your "gauge" is correct. If needed, adjust the size by using a smaller/larger crochet hook, or, if you are using different yarn for example, add/subtract a row from crocheting your hexagons.

Stitch Abbreviations

Beg Cluster - [ch 2, dc2tog] in the indicated ch sp
Ch - chain
Ch sp – chain space
Cluster - dc3tog in the indicated ch sp
Dc – double crochet
Dc2tog – Dc to the last loop, then start the next dc. Pull the final loop through all loops on the hook.
Dc3tog – Dc to the last loop, twice, then start another dc. Pull the final loop through all loops on the hook.
Rnd – round
Sc – single crochet
Sl st – slip stitch

If you are not familiar with the magic loop or a certain crochet stitch, there are plenty of resources available online. Please contact us if you have further questions.

Crochet 19 hexagons. Follow the instructions below.

Start with a magic loop.

Rnd 1: Work a Beg Cluster into the magic loop, then work [ch 3, Cluster] 5 times, ch 3; join with sl sts into top of Beg Cluster (6 clusters)

Rnd 2: Sl st into the first ch sp. In the first ch sp, work Beg Cluster, ch 3, Cluster, ch 3; in all following ch sp work [Cluster, ch 3, Cluster, ch 3]; join with sl st into top of Beg Cluster (12 clusters)

Rnd 3: Sl st into the first ch sp. In the first ch sp, work Beg Cluster, ch 3, Cluster, ch 3; *[Cluster, ch 3] in next space, [Cluster, ch 3, Cluster, ch 3] in next space*; repeat for a total of 5 times from *; in last space work Cluster, ch 3; join with sl st into top of Beg Cluster (18 clusters)

Rnd 4: Sl st into the first ch sp, ch 3 (counts as first dc), 2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc; *[3 dc in next ch sp] twice, [3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc] in next ch sp*; repeat a total of 5 times from *; 3 dc in next ch sp] twice, join with sl st into top of chain (72 dc)

Clip yarn and pull loop through to secure.



Crochet 11 half-hexagons. Follow the instructions below.

Start with a magic loop.

Row 1: Ch 4, [Cluster, ch 3] 3 times, ch 2, dc. TURN.

Row 2: Ch 4, [Cluster, ch 3] in first ch sp; [Cluster, ch 3, Cluster, ch 3] in next ch sp, twice; in last ch sp work Cluster, ch 2, dc. TURN.

Row 3: Ch 4 [Cluster, ch 3] in first ch sp; *[Cluster, ch 3] in next ch sp, [Cluster, ch 3, Cluster, ch 3] in next ch sp*, repeat from *, [Cluster, ch 3] in next ch sp, [Cluster, ch 2, dc] in last ch sp. TURN.

Row 4: [Ch 3, 2 dc] into first ch sp; 3 dc in next ch sp twice; *[3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc] in next ch sp, [3 dc in next ch sp] twice*, repeat from *, 3 dc in last ch sp. Chain 1, cut yarn and pull loop through to secure.

Assembly

Lay the hexagons out on a design felt or flat surface, according to the chart below.



For best results, we recommend to lay out all the woven hexagons lined up in the same direction, “starting thread” up, and “ending thread” to the side. Please view the “How to Join Hexagons – With Fabric Direction” for instructional video guidance.

Since each of the woven hexagons is unique, you may lay them out randomly.

Make sure that the crocheted hexagons are all “right side down” when joining, so that the (almost invisible) seam will be facing the wrong side.

Sew the hexagons together.

Use simple overhand stitches to join the hexagons.

You can either use the tail ends, the Cheshire Cat yarn, or any color matching sewing thread to sew the hexagons together. If you don’t use the tail ends, we recommend that you weave those in before joining the hexagons.

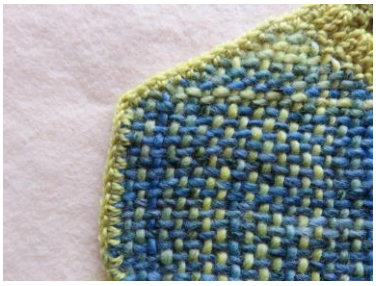
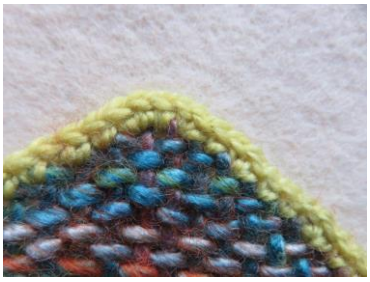
Tip: You can also sew the hexagons together using a sewing machine.







Finishing

Using the Cheshire Cat yarn, with the right side of the fabric facing towards you, join the yarn anywhere with a slip stitch and one chain stitch, then crochet one row of single crochet around the shawl.

Along the edges of the half-hexagons, crochet 3 single crochets in each end-of-row and 1 single crochet into the magic loop.

When crocheting along the edges of the woven hexagons, work about 14 single crochet stitches per hexagon side, and 2 single crochet stitches in each corner.

End with a slip stitch into the chain stitch at the beginning of the row. Clip the yarn, leaving a short tail. Pull the yarn through to secure.

Weave in all the ends. Block as desired.



If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at gabi@texasgabi.com

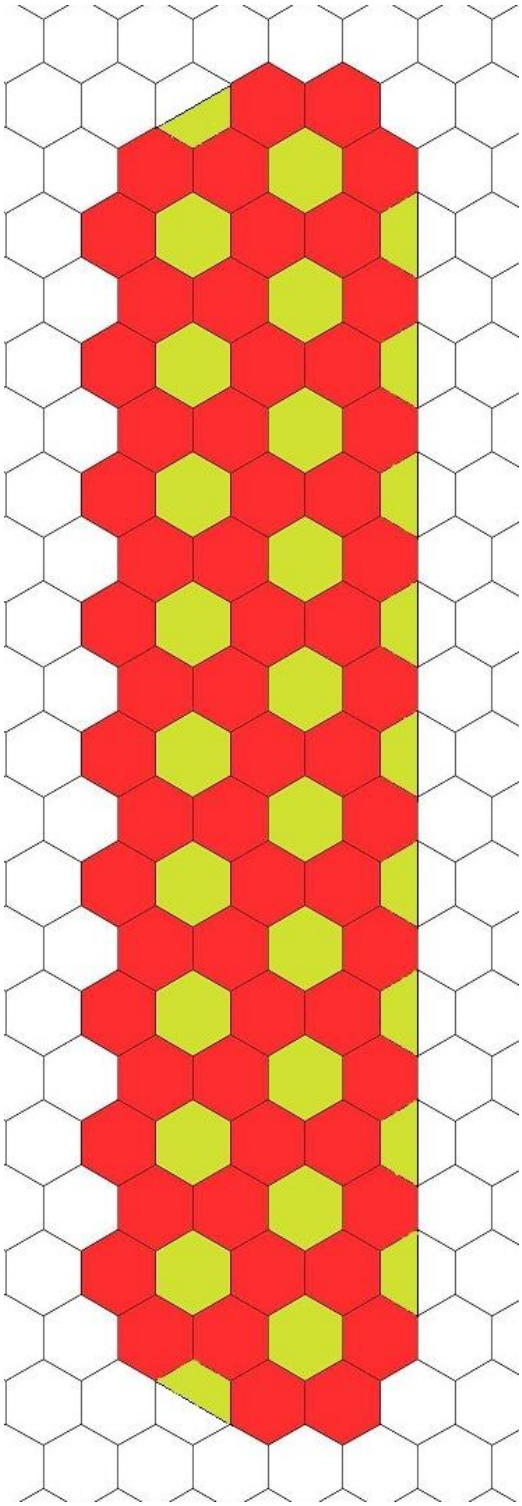
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“Celebration” Shawl Chart

(red = woven, green = crocheted)



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