

# Unicorn Dreams Blanket

## Joining and Border



**Hook size: 4mm**

**Yarn:** Stylecraft Special DK in Candyfloss, Apricot, Lemon, Spring Green, Sherbet, Clematis, Wisteria and White.

**This pattern is written in US terms**

### **US Terminology**

SC – single crochet

HDC - half double crochet

DC – double crochet

SLST – slip stitch

CH – chain

( ) - Brackets indicate all stitches to be made in one stitch.

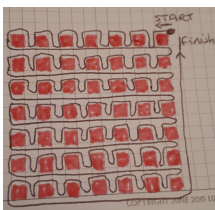
### **UK Terms**

DC

HTR

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To join the squares together I used the **flat braid continuous join**. Even though I tried to keep all the squares with the same number of stitches on each side, there are a couple which may have more or less than the 27 stitches. The flat braid join is great for hiding those inconsistencies. When making the braid loops you will need 13 loops on each side. Therefore it may be a case of missing 2 stitches in between the chains or none if you have more stitches. Just try to evenly spread out the chains.



I love this join. Its quick and easy to do with only two ends to sew in.

**Start with the pink border heart square.**

1. Join the **WHITE** yarn in the 1st SC after the corner CH space from last border round. CH4. \*Skip the next stitch and make a SC in the next stitch (3rd Stitch across). CH3. Repeat from \* finishing with a SC in the last stitch before the next corner space.

There will be 13 CH3 loop spaces across.

**(This will be the same for each side of the squares)**

CH5, miss the corner space and SC in the 1st stitch after the CH space from the previous round. \*CH3, Skip a stitch and SC in the next stitch. Repeat \* until you finish with a SC in the last stitch along the row. (13 CH3 loops).



2. Joining the next square. CH5. Make a SC in the 1st stitch in the bottom right corner of the next square (Large unicorn square). CH1. **\*Remove** your hook. Place the hook under the last CH3 you made on the heart square. Grab the CH1 loop on the unicorn square and pull through. CH2. Skip a stitch on the unicorn square and then SC in the next stitch. Repeat \* until you worked through all 13 loops.



3. CH3, Remove hook, Place hook under the CH5 loop on the heart square. Grab the yarn and pull through. CH3. SC in the 1st stitch on the top of the unicorn square. CH3. Repeat from **ROW 1\***.



4. When you've come to the end of the row, continue down the side of the blue heart square. Turn work and continue across the bottom of the square. \* When you come to the last stitch, CH3, remove your hook, Place under the CH5 loop, grab yarn and pull through. CH3 and SC in the 1st stitch on the rainbow bobble square. Continue with CH3, Skip a stitch, SC in the next st across. Repeat across for the next 5 squares. Ending at the bottom of the pink border bobble heart.



5. CH5. Make a SC in the 1st stitch of the blue Fab5Flower square. \*CH1, Remove hook. Place hook under the 1st CH3 loop. Grab yarn and pull through loop, CH2. Skip a stitch and SC in the next stitch. Repeat \* for remaining 12 loops.

After you've completed the final CH3 loop, CH3, **Remove** the hook and place under the CH5 loop on the bottom of unicorn square. Grab yarn and pull through under loop, CH3 and SC in the 1st stitch of blue flower square. (So the CH's are diagonal).

Repeat the same as the first row of squares, CH3, skip a stitch, then SC in the next stitch along. CH5 at the bottom and then work your way up joining the next square.



6. After you have completed the last CH3 loop. CH3. Remove hook and insert under the CH5 loop on the top pink border bobble heart. Grab yarn and pull through. CH3 and then SC in the 1st stitch on the 2nd pink border bobble heart square. This makes a lovely 4 looped shape. Then carrying on joining your squares together as previously done. Repeat all the above for the rest of the squares. Finishing with a final CH on the last stitch of the 1st pink bobble square. SLST to the 1st SC made to join.



## RAINBOW BORDER

1. Continuing with **WHITE**. SLST into CH3 space. (CH2, HDC), make 2HDC in each CH3 space along blanket with (2HDC, CH2, 2HDC) in the corner CH5 spaces. SLST to top of beginning CH2 to join. Fasten off.



2. Join **CANDYFLOSS** yarn in any corner space. (CH2, HDC, CH2, 2HDC), \*CH1, skip the next stitch, HDC in the next stitch. Repeat \* around blanket with (2HDC, CH2, 2HDC) in corner spaces. Finish with a SLST in top of beginning CH2, Fasten off.
3. Join **APRICOT** yarn in any corner space. (CH2, HDC, CH2, 2HDC). CH1, make 1HDC in the CH1 space from the previous row. Repeat \* around with (2HDC, CH2, 2HDC) in the corner spaces. Finish with a SLST in top of beginning CH2. Fasten off.
4. - 8 . Repeat ROW 3 for the following colours; **LEMON**, **SPRING GREEN**, **SHERBET**, **CLEMATIS** and **WISTERIA**.
9. Join **WHITE** in any corner space (CH1, SC, CH2, 2SC). SC in each HDC stitch and CH space along with (2SC, CH2, 2SC) in corner spaces. SLST to beginning CH1 to join.
10. SLST into CH2 space. (CH2, 6DC), \*Skip 2 stitches, SC in next stitch. Skip 2 stitches then make 5DC in next stitch. Repeat \* around with 7DC in the corner space. *(At the end of the row there will be only skip 1 stitch before making the 7DC in the corner)*. SLST to top of beginning CH2 to join. Fasten off and sew in all ends. I like to re-block mine at the end to open up the braid join. You can either do this by washing/ spraying the blanket, then pin it out and leave to dry.



Your Unicorn Dreams Blanket is finished! I hope you have all enjoyed making it.

Lisa x