

# Heart Square

## MATERIALS

- 3.5-mm (E/4 USA, 9 UK) Hook
- DK (3, Light) Weight Yarn
- Tapestry Needle

## YARN & YARDAGE

For each square, I used about 5.5 yds (5 m) of **Paintbox Yarns Cotton DK** in the following colors:

- **A** - Buttercup Yellow (423)
- **B** - Kingfisher Blue (435)

Feel free to use any yarn with the appropriate hook.

## ABBREVIATIONS (US)

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|------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| • <b>Ch</b> - Chain                | • <b>Sc</b> - Single Crochet |
| • <b>Hdc</b> - Half Double Crochet | • <b>Sk</b> - Skip           |
| • <b>Dc</b> - Double Crochet       | • <b>Sp</b> - Space          |
| • <b>Inc</b> - Increase            | • <b>Sl St</b> - Slip Stitch |
| • <b>MC</b> - Magic Circle         | • <b>St</b> - Stitch         |
| • <b>RS</b> - Right Side           | • <b>Tr</b> - Treble Crochet |
|                                    | • <b>Yo</b> - Yarn Over      |

## SPECIAL STITCHES

### Increase (Inc)

One increase consists of 2 sts worked in the same indicated st.

### Magic Circle (MC)

Find a tutorial on page 3 of this document.



## SIZE

2.2" (5.5 cm)

## GAUGE

This pattern is too small to accurately determine the gauge.

*Just keep in mind that the final size of your square will change depending on your tension, and the yarn and hook you use.*

## PATTERN NOTES

- If the pattern says "**sc 2**", you need to **sc** 1 in each of next 2 sts.
- [...] - Crochet the instructions within brackets all in the same indicated st.

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## PATTERN

With your 3.5-mm hook and **A**, make a MC.

**Round 1.** Dc 12 in MC. (12 sts)

**Round 2.** Without any ch, hdc 1 in first st, [dc 4], [hdc 1, sc 1], sc 1, sc inc 1, hdc 2, sc inc 1, sc 1, [sc 1, hdc 1], [dc 4], hdc 1, sl st in first st of round 1. (22 sts)

**Round 3.** Without any ch, sc 2, sc inc 3, sc 5, [sc 1, hdc 1], ch 1, [hdc 1, sc 1], sc 5, sc inc 3, sc 2, sc 1 in first st of round 1, sl st into first st of round 1. (31 sts, 1 ch)

Fasten off **A** (photo 1).

RS facing, hold your heart with the tip up and join **B** in first hdc of round 3 (photo 2).

**Round 4.** Sc 1 in same st as joining, sc 1 in next ch-1 sp, sc 1, hdc 1, dc 1, [dc 1, tr 1], ch 2.

[Tr 1, dc 1], dc 1, [hdc 1, sc 1], sc 1, sc inc 1, hdc 1, [hdc 1, dc 1], ch 2.

[Dc 1, hdc 1], hdc 2, dc 1, tr 1 between last dc of round 1 and the initial ch-2 (see arrow in photo 3), dc 1 in next st of round 3, hdc 2, [hdc 1, dc 1], ch 2.

[Dc 1, hdc 1], hdc 1, sc inc 1, sc 1, [sc 1, hdc 1], dc 1, [dc 1, tr 1], ch 2.

[Tr 1, dc 1], dc 1, hdc 1, join with a sl st into first sc.

Fasten off and weave in all your ends.

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# How To...

## MAGIC CIRCLE

- **Step 1-2.** With your left hand (assuming you are right-handed), hold the loose end of your yarn with your pinky and ring finger. Make the yarn pass in between your thumb and index finger, and then make a loop around your index and middle finger. Bring the yarn toward the outside, like shown in the picture.
- **Step 3.** Starting from the situation pictured in panel 2, insert your crochet hook in the loop, just above your index finger. Reach for the yarn you positioned toward the outside and pull up a loop. This loop will be pretty loose and unstable.
- **Step 4.** Secure your yarn by chaining 1 or the number of chains indicated in the pattern.
- **Step 5.** Crochet your stitches into the ring as indicated in the pattern.
- **Step 6.** Close the MC by pulling the loose end. When you do this, your stitches will come close together and you can slip stitch into the top of the very first stitch you made.

