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Oval Rag Rug (Crochet)

with YouTube Help Video

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Technically this is not a difficult rag rug to make if you know how to crochet, especially if you are familiar with circles and the whole increasing scheme that goes along with them. Using a Q-sized crochet hook with thick fabric strips; however, can become tiresome for the hands, wrists and arms, so taking frequent breaks is highly recommended with this project. On the other hand, because everything is so large, the rug gets made very quickly! Check out the how-to video on the Naztazia YouTube channel here: <u>https://youtube.com/naztazia</u> And feel free to Pin photos or check out other info at: <u>https://naztazia.com</u>

Terminology:

B/W = Between	CH = Chain	DC = Double Crochet
RPT = Repeat	SLST = Slip Stitch	ST= Stitch

Size/Gauge:

Sample rag rug is 60" wide by 35" high; however, you can customize the size. Materials:

Sample rug used 18 yards of flat 100% cotton flannel sheets, each about 45" wide (2 yards of each color - red, dark orange, light orange, yellow, dark green, light green, dark blue, light blue, magenta) Each 2 yards of fabric pieces produce about 48 yards of fabric yarn. Please note: this is only an estimate. It is difficult to pinpoint the exact amount of fabric you will need due to variations in fabric thickness, how wide you cut your strips, how tight you crochet, etc. from the sample. Q size crochet hook (15mm to 16mm) for crocheting the rag rug. For weaving in ends, I like to use a J or K size hook. Hair clips or large binder clips as ST markers. Scissors. Instructions:

Watch the YouTube tutorial video here: <u>https://youtube.com/naztazia</u> Look for "Oval Rag Rug."

You can use any color sequence, but the sample rug starts from the center and moves outward with this color scheme: red, dark orange, light orange, yellow, dark green, light green, dark blue, light blue, magenta.

With hook and red fabric yarn, CH 30. You can customize this to any number of chains that you wish. There is no multiple for this pattern. Leaving the first and last chain as-is, mark the next chains inward with your ST marker (e.g. CH #2 and CH #29).

RND 1: CH 3 (counts as 1 DC here and throughout). 5 DC in 4th CH from hook. Beginning with first ST marker and ending with last marker, make 1 DC in each ST. In last CH, 6 DC. Beginning with first ST marker and ending with last marker, make 1 DC in each ST. SLST to first DC. If changing colors here and throughout, use method in video.

RND 2: CH 3. 1 DC in same SP. 2 DC in next 5 DC. Beginning with first ST marker and ending with last marker, make 1 DC in each ST. 2 DC in next 6 DC. Beginning with first ST marker and ending with last marker, make 1 DC in each ST. SLST to first DC.

RND 3: CH 3. 1 DC in same SP. 1 DC in next DC. RPT [2 DC in next DC, 1 DC in next] to just before ST marker. As before 1 DC in and B/W markers. RPT [2 DC in next DC, 1 DC in next] to just before ST marker. 1 DC in and B/W markers. SLST to first DC.

RND 4: CH 3. 1 DC in same SP. 1 DC in next 2 STs. RPT [2 DC in next DC, 1 DC in next 2 DC] to just before marker. 1 DC in and B/W markers. RPT [2 DC in next DC, 1 DC in next 2 DC] to just before ST marker. 1 DC in and B/W markers. SLST to first DC.

RND 5: CH 3. 1 DC in same SP. 1 DC in next 3 STs. RPT [2 DC in next DC, 1 DC in next 3 DC] to just before marker. 1 DC in and B/W markers. RPT [2 DC in next DC, 1 DC in next 3 DC] to just before ST marker. 1 DC in and B/W markers. SLST to first DC. Continue in pattern, increasing the end semi-circles and continuing 1 DC in and B/W ST markers. Cut and weave in all ends.