Easy Shell Border (Crochet)

with YouTube Help Video

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The crochet easy shell border works great as an edging along a blanket, scarf, shawl, handbag, hat, and more! Check out the how-to video on the Naztazia Facebook page here: https://facebook.com/naztazia or the Naztazia YouTube channel here: https://youtube.com/naztazia And feel free to Pin photos or check out other info at: https://naztazia.com

Terminology:

CH = Chain	DC = Double Crochet	SC = Single Crochet
SLST = Slip Stitch	SP = Space	ST = Stitch
RPT = Repeat		

Instructions:

The stitch multiple is 4+1. That means from one corner to the other corner needs to be a multiple of 4 stitches, plus one more. All sides need to have this to work correctly For example, a blanket that has 25 stitches along each edge works perfectly (4 x 6 = 24 stitches, plus one more stitch = 25 stitches). This pattern is also very forgiving, so skip a stitch here and there to get the correct stitch multiple if needed. An optional single crochet border made around the item first also helps. It is suggested to place 3 SC in each corner and 1 SC in each of the side stitches. Place more SC in the corners if needed to get the correct stitch multiple.

Shell Border:

In one corner, attach yarn with a slip stitch. CH 3 (counts as 1 DC). Make 6 more DCs in the corner. (Total = 7 DC). Skip 1 ST, make a SC in the next ST. RPT [Skip 1 ST, make 5 DC in the next ST. Skip 1 ST, make a SC in the next ST] across. In the next

corner, make 7 DC. Along the next side, Skip 1 ST, make a SC in the next ST. RPT [Skip 1 ST, make 5 DC in the next ST. Skip 1 ST, make a SC in the next ST] across. In the corner, make 7 DC. Continue in pattern around, making 5 DC shells on sides and 7 DC shells in corners. Once the last side is completed, skip 1 ST and SLST to the top of the initial CH-3. Fasten off and weave in ends.