

# Free Crochet Pattern Lion Brand<sup>®</sup> Hometown USA<sup>®</sup> Bright Squares Afghan Pattern Number: L40168



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# Free Crochet Pattern from Lion Brand Yarn Lion Brand<sup>®</sup> Hometown USA<sup>®</sup> **Bright Squares Afghan**

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**SKILL LEVEL**: Easy (Level 2)

SIZE: One Size

About 38 x 44 in. (96.5 x 112 cm)

CORRECTIONS: None as of Jul 8, 2014. To check for later updates, click here. **MATERIALS** 

• 135-109 Lion Brand Hometown USA Yarn: Fort Worth Blue 1 Ball (A)

• 135-105 Lion Brand Hometown USA Yarn: Detroit Blue

1 Ball (B)

• 135-107 Lion Brand Hometown USA Yarn: Charlotte Blue 1 Ball (C)

• 135-172 Lion Brand Hometown USA Yarn: Oklahoma City Green

2 Balls (D)

• 135-173 Lion Brand Hometown USA Yarn: Savannah Sage

1 Ball (E)

• 135-194 Lion Brand Hometown USA Yarn: Monterey Lime

1 Ball (F)

• 135-189 Lion Brand Hometown USA Yarn: Napa Valley Pinot

1 Ball (G)

• 135-114 Lion Brand Hometown USA Yarn: Tampa **Spice** 

1 Ball (H)

• 135-134 Lion Brand Hometown USA Yarn: Tennessee Tango

1 Ball (I)

• 135-102 Lion Brand Hometown USA Yarn: Honolulu Pink

1 Ball (J)

\*Hometown USA® (Article #135). Solids and Multis: 100% Acrylic Tweeds: 94% Acrylic, 6% Rayon; package size: Solids: 5 oz. (142 g), 81 yd. (74 m)

Multis and Tweeds: 4 oz. (113 g), 64

yd. (59 m)



- 135-170 <u>Lion Brand</u> Hometown USA Yarn: Las Vegas Gold
  - 1 Ball (K)
- 135-157 <u>Lion Brand</u> <u>Hometown USA Yarn:</u> <u>Daytona Lemon</u>

   1 Ball (L)
- <u>Lion Brand Crochet Hook</u> -Size N-13 (9 mm)
- <u>Lion Brand Large-Eye Blunt</u> Needles (Set of 6)

## **GAUGE:**

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One Large Square = about 10 1/2 \times 10 1/2 in. (26.5 x 26.5 cm). One Medium Square = about 5 1/4 \times 5 1/4 in. (13.5 x 13.5 cm). One Small Square = about 2 3/4 \times 2 3/4 in. (7 x 7 cm).
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When you match the <u>gauge</u> in a pattern, your project will be the size specified in the pattern and the materials specified in the pattern will be sufficient. The needle or hook size called for in the pattern is based on what the designer used, but it is not unusual for gauge to vary from person to person. If it takes you fewer stitches and rows to make your swatch, try using a smaller size hook or needles; if more stitches and rows, try a larger size hook or needles.

Making a Gauge Swatch

# STITCH EXPLANATION:

# TECHNIQUE EXPLANATION Adjustable Ring Method

Wrap yarn around index finger. Insert hook into yarn ring on finger, yarn over and draw up a loop. Carefully slip ring from finger and work the stitches of Rnd 1 (in pattern, below) into the ring. When Rnd 1 is complete, gently but firmly, pull tail to tighten center of ring.

# **NOTES:**

- 1. Afghan is made from 68 Squares: 6 Large Squares, 22 Medium Squares, and 40 Small Squares. The Squares are sewn tog following Assembly Diagram.
- 2. Each Square is worked in joined rnds with RS facing.
- 3. A border is worked around the outside edge of the assembled Afghan.



# LARGE SQUARE (make 6 - 1 each with A, B, D, F, I, and L)

Make an adjustable ring.

Rnd 1 (RS): Ch 1, 12 sc in ring; join with sl st in first sc.

Rnd 2: Ch 1, (sc, hdc, sc) in same st as joining, sc in next 2 sts, \*(sc, hdc, sc) in next st, sc in next 2 sts; rep from \* around; join with sl st in first st – 20 sts at the end of this rnd.

Rnd 3: Ch 3 (counts as first dc in this rnd and in all following rnds), (dc, tr, dc) in next hdc, \*dc in next 4 sts, (dc, tr, dc) in next hdc; rep from \* to last 3 sts, dc in last 3 sts; join with sl st in top of beg ch – 28 sts.

**Rnd 4:** Ch 1, sc in same st as joining, (sc, hdc, sc) in next tr, \*sc in next 6 sts, (sc, hdc, sc) in next tr; rep from \* to last 4 sts, sc in last 4 sts; join with sl st in first sc – 36 sts.

**Rnd 5:** Ch 3, dc in next 2 sts, (dc, tr, dc) in next hdc, \*dc in next 8 sts, (dc, tr, dc) in next hdc; rep from \* to last 5 sts, dc in last 5 sts; join with sl st in top of beg ch – 44 sts.

Rnd 6: Ch 1, sc in same st as joining, sc in next 3 sts, (sc, hdc, sc) in next tr, \*sc in next 10 sts, (sc, hdc, sc) in next tr; rep from \* to last 6 sts, sc in last 6 sts; join with sl st in first sc - 52 sts.

Rnd 7: Ch 3, dc in next 4 sts, (dc, tr, dc) in next hdc, \*dc in next 12 sts, (dc, tr, dc) in next hdc; rep from \* to last 7 sts, dc in last 7 sts; join with sl st in top of beg ch – 60 sts.

Rnd 8: Ch 1, sc in same st as joining, sc in next 5 sts, (sc, hdc, sc) in next tr, \*sc in next 14 sts, (sc, hdc, sc) in next tr; rep from \* to last 8 sts, sc in last 8 sts; rep from \* around; join with sl st in first sc – 68 sts. Fasten off.

MEDIUM SQUARE (make 22 – 4 each with C and J, 3 each with E, G, H, and K, and 2 with D) Make an adjustable ring.

**Rnds 1-4:** Work same as Rnds 1-4 of Large Square – 36 sts. Fasten off.

SMALL SQUARE (make 40 – 5 with H, 4 each with D, G, and K, and 3 each with A, C, E, F, I, J, and L, and 2 with B)

Make an adjustable ring.

Rnds 1 and 2: Work same as Rnds 1 and 2 of Large Square – 20 sts. Fasten off.

# **FINISHING**

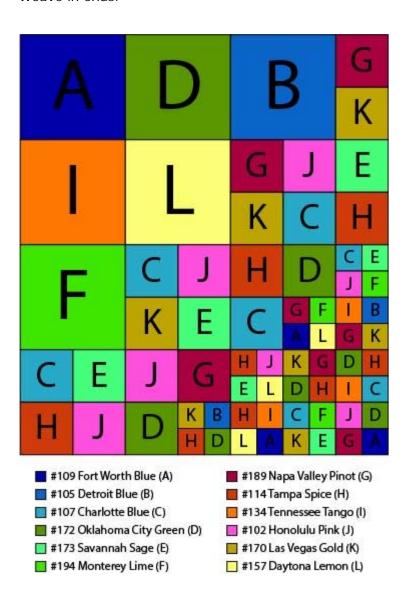
Sew Squares tog following Assembly Diagram.

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Rnd 1 (RS): From RS, join D with sc anywhere along outer edge of Afghan, work sc evenly spaced around entire outer edge, working 3 sc in each corner; join with sl st in first sc.

Fasten off.

Weave in ends.



ABBREVIATIONS / REFERENCES Click for explanation and illustration	
<pre>beg = begin(s)(ning)</pre>	ch(s) = chain(s)
<u>dc = double crochet</u>	hdc = half double crochet
rep = repeat(s)(ing)	rnd(s) = round(s)
RS = right side	<u>sc</u> = single crochet
sl st = slip stitch	st(s) = stitch(es)
tog = together	<u>tr = treble (triple) crochet</u>

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