

# Week 1: Diamond Part 1



### "Ubuntu: I am because we are."

The belief that we are defined by our compassion and kindness towards others.





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If you need help with any of the stitches or techniques, you can find photo tutorials here: http://www.lookatwhati-made.net/crafts/yarn/crochet/ubuntu/ubuntu-cal-2018-information/



Esther from It's all in a Nutshell has created video tutorials for the Ubuntu CAL. You can find the videos on her Youtube channel:

Right-handed video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-sBvYa64QIU Left-handed video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-\_YhOq73byQ

# Pattern

Make 6 diamonds, each in a different Contrasting Colour (CC) and using Hook A. The diamonds might bulge a little bit in the centre, but this will correct itself when we join all the motifs together and add the border.

When you make the diamonds, your first corner before the repeat will only be a partial corner. You will make the rest of the corner sts when you get to the end of the round. Doing it this way eliminates a lot of slip stitching!

Unless otherwise specified, you will start each round of the Diamond by making a sl st into the ch-1 corner sp AND into the actual chain. Doing it this way will 'centre' your corners. Trust me, it will be much neater than if you don't!



# Round 1 (CC)

With Hook A and CC, make a Magic Ring. Into the Magic Ring: ch 5 (counts as dtr + ch-1), dtr, tr, tr

**Stitch Count Per Side**: 1 htr, 1 tr, and 1 dtr, not including central ch-1 corner sps

# Round 2 (CC)

Sl st into next ch-1 sp. **Sl st into the actual ch.** Ch 5 (counts as dtr + ch-1), (dtr, 2 tr) in the same ch-1 sp. This is your first partial pointy corner made.

\*Skip the next (hidden) st. (Htr, ch 1, htr) in the next st. Skip the next st. (Htr, ch 1, htr) in the next ch-1 corner sp. This is your non-pointy corner made. Skip the next (hidden) st. (Htr, ch 1, htr) in the next st. Skip the next st.\*

(2 tr, dtr, ch 1, dtr, 2 tr) in the next ch-1 sp. *This is your second pointy corner made.* 

Repeat from \* to \*. Make 2 tr in the last ch-1 sp, which will already contain the rest of the corner sts. Join to the fourth ch of the beg ch-5 with a sl st

**Stitch Count Per Side**: 3 htr, 2 tr, 1 dtr, and 1 ch-1 sp, not including central ch-1 corner sps

#### Round 3 (CC)

Sl st in the ch-1 sp. Sl st into the actual chain. Ch 5 (counts as dtr + ch-1), (dtr, 2 tr) in the same ch-1 sp.

\*Tr in the first 2 sts, the first one of which will be hidden. Ch 2, skip the next 2 sts, make a Popcorn in the next ch-1 sp. Ch 2, skip the next 2 sts, (tr, ch 1, tr) in the next ch-1 sp. Ch 2, skip the next 2 sts, make a Popcorn in the next ch-1 sp. Ch 2 and skip the next 2 sts, the first of which will be hidden. Tr in the last 2 sts.\*



(2 tr, dtr, ch 1, dtr, 2 tr) in the next ch-1 sp.

Repeat from \* to \*. Make 2 tr in the last ch-1 sp, which will already contain the rest of the corner sts. Join to the fourth ch of the beg ch-5 with a sl st.

**Stitch Count Per Side**: 5 tr, 1 dtr, 1 Popcorn, and 2 ch-2 sps, not including central ch-1 corner sps

# Round 4 (CC)

SI st in the ch-1 sp. SI st into the actual chain. Ch 5 (counts as dtr + ch-1), (dtr, 2 tr) in the same ch-1 sp.

\*Tr in the first 5 sts, the first one of which will be hidden. Ch 2, skip the next ch-2 sp and make a **FPtr** around the Popcorn. Ch 2, skip the next ch-2 sp and tr in the next st. (Tr, ch 1, tr) in the next ch-1 sp. Tr in the next (hidden) st. Ch 2, skip the next ch-2 sp and make a **FPtr** around the Popcorn. Ch 2, skip the next ch-2 sp and tr in the next 5 sts.\*

(2 tr, dtr, ch 1, dtr, 2 tr) in the next ch-1 sp.

Repeat from \* to \*. Make 2 tr in the last ch-1 sp, which will already contain the rest of the corner sts. Join to the fourth ch of the beg ch-5 with a sl st.

**Stitch Count Per Side:** 9 tr, 1 dtr, 1 FPtr, and 2 ch-2 sps, not including central ch-1 corner sps

# Round 5 (CC)

Sl st in the ch-1 sp. Sl st into the actual chain. Ch 5 (counts as dtr + ch-1), (dtr, ch 1, tr) in the same ch-1 sp.

\*Tr in the first (hidden) st. **FPtr** around the next st, tr in the next 2 sts. **FPtr** around the next st, tr in the next 3 sts. Skip the ch-2 sp. (3-tr Bobble, ch 4, 3-tr Bobble) in the next tr. Skip the ch-2 sp and tr in the next 2 sts. (Tr, ch 1, tr) in the next ch-1 sp. Tr in the next 2 sts. Skip the ch-2 sp. (3-tr Bobble, ch 4, 3-tr Bobble) in the next tr. Skip the ch-2 sp. Tr in the next 3 sts. **FPtr** around the next st and tr in the next 2 sts. **FPtr** around the next st and tr in the next st, which should be the dtr before the ch-1 sp.\*

(Tr, ch 1, dtr, ch 1, dtr, ch 1, tr) in the next ch-1 sp.

Repeat from \* to \*. (Tr, ch 1) in the last ch-1 sp, which will already contain the rest of the corner sts. Join to the fourth ch of the beg ch-5 with a sl st.

**Stitch Count Per Side:** 10 tr, 1 dtr, 2 FPtr, 2 3-tr Bobbles, 1 ch-1 sp, and 1 ch-4 sp, *not including central ch-1 corner sps* 

### Round 6 (CC)

Sl st in the ch-1 sp. Sl st into the actual chain. Ch 5 (counts as dtr + ch-1), (dtr, ch 1, tr) in the same ch-1 sp.

\*Tr in the first (hidden) st. Make a Popcorn in the ch-1 sp. Skip the next st, which will be hidden, and tr in the next 8 sts. Tr in the sp between the last tr and the first Bobble. Ch 4, skip both Bobbles and the ch-4 sp, tr in the sp between the next Bobble and the next tr. Skip the next tr, which will be hidden by the stitch you just made, and tr in the last 2 sts before the next ch-1 sp.

(Tr, ch 1, tr) in the ch-1 sp.

Skip the next st and tr in the next 2 sts. Tr in the sp between the last tr and the first Bobble. Ch 4, skip both Bobbles and the ch-4 sp, tr in the sp between the next Bobble and the next tr. Skip the next tr, which will be hidden by the stitch you just made, and tr in the last 8 sts before the next ch-1 sp. Make a Popcorn in the ch-1 sp. Tr in the next st, which will be hidden.\*

(Tr, ch 1, dtr, ch 1, dtr, ch 1, tr) in the next ch-1 sp.

Repeat from \* to \*. (Tr, ch 1) in the last ch-1 sp, which will already contain the rest of the corner sts. Join to the fourth ch of the beg ch-5 with a sl st.

Stitch Count Per Side: 15 tr, 1 dtr, 1 Popcorn, 1 ch-1 sp, and 1 ch-4 sp, not including central ch-1 corner sps



#### Round 7 (CC)

Sl st in the ch-1 sp. Sl st into the actual chain. Ch 5 (counts as dtr + ch-1), (dtr, ch 1, tr) in the same ch-1 sp.

\*Tr in the first (hidden) st. Make a Popcorn in the ch-1 sp. Skip the next st, which will be hidden, and tr in the next 4 sts. The second tr will fall in the Popcorn from the previous round. **FPttr** around the next FPtr from Round 5, skip the next st of Round 6, and tr in the next 2 sts. **FPttr** around the next FPtr from Round 5, skip the next st of Round 6, and tr in the next st. There should now be 2 sts left before the ch-4 sp.

Working in front of the ch-4 sp from Round 6, make a Ttr Bobble in the ch-4 sp from Round 5. (Ch 4, make a Ttr Bobble in the same ch-4 sp) **twice**. Skip the first 2 tr after the ch-4 sp from Round 6 and tr in the next 2 sts.

(Tr, ch 1, tr) in the next ch-1 sp.

Tr in the next 2 sts, *the first one of which will be hidden*. Skip the next 2 sts. Working in front of the ch-4 sp from Round 6, make a Ttr Bobble in the ch-4 sp from Round 5. **(**Ch 4, make a Ttr Bobble in the same ch-4 sp**) twice**. Skip the first 2 tr after the ch-4 sp from Round 6 and tr in the next st.

**FPttr** around the next FPtr from Round 5, skip the next st of Round 6, and tr in the next 2 sts. **FPttr** around the next FPtr from Round 5, skip the next st of Round 6, and tr in the next 4 sts. *The third tr will fall in the Popcorn from the previous round.* Skip the next st. Make a Popcorn in the ch-1 sp and tr in the next (*hidden*) st.\*

(Tr, ch 1, dtr, ch 1, dtr, ch 1, tr) in the next ch-1 sp.

Repeat from \* to \*. (Tr, ch 1) in the last ch-1 sp, which will already contain the rest of the corner sts. Join to the fourth ch of the beg ch-5 with a sl st.

**Stitch Count Per Side:** 12 tr, 1 dtr, 2 FPttr, 1 Popcorn, 3 Ttr Bobbles, 1 ch-1 sp, and 2 ch-4 sps, *not including central ch-1 corner sps* 

# Round 8 (CC)

Sl st in the ch-1 sp. **Sl st into the actual chain**. Ch 5 (counts as dtr + ch-1), (dtr, ch 1, tr) in the same ch-1 sp.

\*Tr in the first (hidden) st. Make a Popcorn in the ch-1 sp. Skip the next st, which will be hidden, and tr in the next 11 sts. The last tr should fall in the last tr before the Petals from Round 7.

Working behind the Petals, dtr in the next 2 sts from Round 6. Still working behind the Petals, make 5 dtr in the ch-4 sp from Round 6 and dtr in the next 2 sts.

Starting in the first st after the Petals, tr in the next 3 tr from Round 7. (Tr, ch 1, tr) in the next ch-1 sp. Tr in the next 3 sts, the first one of which will be hidden. The last tr should fall in the last tr before the Petals from Round 7.

Working behind the Petals, dtr in the next 2 sts from Round 6. Still working behind the Petals, make 5 dtr in the ch-4 sp from Round 6 and dtr in the next 2 sts.

Starting in the first st after the Petals, tr in the next 11 sts of Round 7. The second tr will fall in the FPttr from the previous round and the tenth tr will fall in the Popcorn from the previous round. Skip the next st. Make a Popcorn in the ch-1 sp. Tr in the next (hidden) st.\*

(Tr, ch 1, dtr, ch 1, dtr, ch 1, tr) in the next ch-1 sp.

Repeat from \* to \*. (Tr, ch 1) in the last ch-1 sp, which will already contain the rest of the corner sts. Join to the fourth ch of the beg ch-5 with a sl st.

Stitch Count Per Side: 17 tr, 10 dtr, 1 Popcorn, and 1 ch-1 sp, not including central ch-1 corner sps

