ViNNis COLOURS
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Skill level: Moderate

Finished measurements: 104 x 104 cm
The blanket is made up of 36 squares each measuring 16 x 16 cm

Materials:
ViNNiS Colours Nikkim (100% cotton 119m/50g)
14 balls Natural (500)
3 balls Blue Canard (549)
1 ball Pacific Blue (548)
2 balls Violet (526)
1 ball Dark Purple (526)
3.5mm crochet hook
Scissors
Tapestry needle

Abbreviations:
bp – back post treble (insert your hook from back to front of the stitch below and complete the stitch as normal)
ch - chain
chp - chain space
dc - double crochet
st - slip stitch
treble stitch
V-st – V-stitch (tr1, ch1, tr) in the same stitch

Colour sequence:
Square 1: Make 18
Round 1 use Blue Canard
Round 2-3 use Natural
Round 4 use Purple
Round 5 use Pacific Blue
Square 2: Make 18
Round 1 use Blue Canard
Round 2-3 use Natural
Round 4 use Blue Canard
Round 5 use Pacific Blue
Round 6-9 use Natural

Puff stitch
Beginning puff stitch: Ch1, pull loop long to the height of a tr, (yo, pull up a loop) x 4, yo, pull st through all 9 loops on hook. Close puff with a sl-st.
Next puff stitch: (Yo, pull up a loop) x 4, yo, pull st through all 9 loops on hook. Close puff with a sl-st.

Make a magic ring.
Round 1: (Puff st, ch1) x8, close ring, sl-st into toip of * puff. Fasten off.
Round 2: With Natural join yarn to any 1chsp, (puff st, ch1, puff st, ch2) into every 1chsp. (16 puff sts.)
Round 3: *(dc, ch5, dc) into 1chsp, dc3 into 2chsp rep from * 7 more times, sl-st into 1st dc. Fasten off.
Round 4: Join yarn to middle dc of dc3 from previous round, ch1, dc1, * (tr5, ch2, tr5) into 5chsp, dc1 in 2nd dc, rep from ** 6 more times, (tr5, ch2, tr5) into 5chsp, sl-st into 1st dc. Fasten off. (8 stars made)
Round 5: Join yarn to any 2ch star tip, ch1, *(dc1, ch2, dc1) into 2chsp, dc4, skip (1tr, 1dc, 1tr), dc4*, rep from ** 7 more times, sl-st into 1st dc. Fasten off.
Round 6: With Natural join yarn to any ch2 space of star. Ch3 [count as 1 tr], (tr, ch2, tr2) into 2chsp, tr5, ch5, (these 5 chains form the foundation for the next row which is worked behind the point of the star), skip (dc5, ch2 , dc5), tr5**, (tr2, ch2, tr2) into 2chsp*, rep from ** twice and from *** once, sl-st into 1st two tr to 2ch corner.(14 tr along each side)
Round 7: Ch3 [count as 1 tr], (tr, ch2, tr2) into 2chsp, tr7. Now work behind the skipped star over the 5ch foundation chain ; [tr2, sl-st into 2chsp of star point in round 5 (do not make this st tight as it counts as a st in the next row), tr2], tr7 into next 7tr**, (tr2, ch2, tr2) into 2chsp*, rep from ** twice and from *** once, sl-st into 1st two tr to 2ch corner.(22 tr along each side)
Round 8: (Ch1, dc, ch2, dc) into 2chsp, dc23, *(dc, ch2, dc) into 2chsp, dc23,* rep from ** 7 more times, sl-st into 1st dc. Fasten off.
(25 dc along each side)
Round 9: Join Natural to any ch2 corner space. Ch3 [count as 1 tr], (tr, ch2, tr2) into 2chsp, * bptr25, (tr2, ch2, tr2) into 2chsp* rep from ** twice, bptr25, sl-st into top of ch3. Fasten off. (29 tr along each side)

To make up:
Arrange squares as shown in picture. Hold Natural rounds together side facing. Using Natural, the rows are joined diagonally with a slip stitch into back loop of every back post treble on both squares. Join every chsp with a normal slip stitch. The blanket will need blocking. Spritz lightly with water and leave to dry.

Border:
Round 1: Join Natural to any ch2 corner. Ch3 [count as 1 tr], (tr, ch2, tr2) into 2chsp, (skip 2 tr, V-st), rep across row. When crocheting across joining seam, V-st into st below that is closest to skip 2 treble. (10-11 V-sts across each square). (Tr2, ch2, tr2) into each corner. Sl-st into 1st ch3. Fasten off.
Round 2: Join Blue Canard to any ch2 corner. Ch3 [count as 1 tr], (tr, ch2, tr2) into 2chsp, tr2, V-st into chsp of every V-st across. [Tr2, (tr, ch2, tr2) into 2chsp, tr2] into each corner. V-st into chsp of every V-st across each side ending with tr2. Sl-st into 1st ch3. Fasten off.
Round 3: Join Natural to any ch2 corner. Ch3 [count as 1 tr], (tr, ch2, tr2) into 2chsp, tr4, V-st into chsp of every V-st across. [Tr4, (tr, ch2, tr2) into 2chsp, tr4] into each corner. V-st into chsp of every V-st across each side ending with tr4. Sl-st into next 2 sts to 2chsp corner.
Round 4: Ch3 [count as 1 tr], (tr, ch2, tr2) into 2chsp, tr6, V-st into chsp of every V-st across. [Tr6, (tr, ch2, tr2) into 2chsp, tr6] into each corner. V-st into chsp of every V-st across each side ending with tr6. Sl-st into 1st ch3. Fasten off.
Round 5: With Pacific Blue join yarn to any corner. Ch1, (dc2, ch2, dc2) into every 2chsp corner, dc into every st across each row. Sl-st into 1st dc. Fasten off.

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