

# Illusion

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You know I love tapestry crochet. I had to try and make a tapestry square that would not only look good on it's own, if assembled with different squares, but would also be amazing if made into a blanket with other identical squares.

I believe an intermediate crocheter can achieve this square without troubles. But just in case, I included a photo tutorial for the colour changes directly in this pattern. I got your back.

I can't wait to see all the colour combos you'll try with this design. I hope you'll share your pictures with me if you use this in a project.

Happy crocheting!

Sandra xx

Material:

- a 5 mm hook (or required size to meet the gauge)
  - 3 colours of Aran weight yarn (size 4)
- I used Paintbox Simply Aran yarn. You'll need:
- 23 gr (43 m) of Colour A (I used Black)
  - 10 gr (19 m) of Colour B (I used Blue)
  - 8 gr (15 m) of Colour C (I used White)
  - a yarn needle and a pair of scissors

Abbreviations:*US terms*

- ch = chain
- dc = double crochet
- st = stitch
- slst = slip stitch
- CA = Colour A
- CB = Colour B
- CC = Colour C

Size (when blocked):

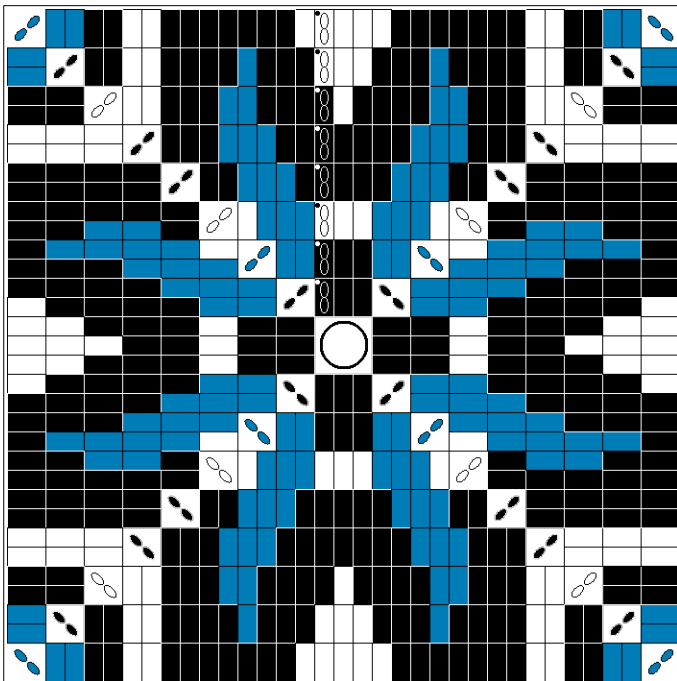
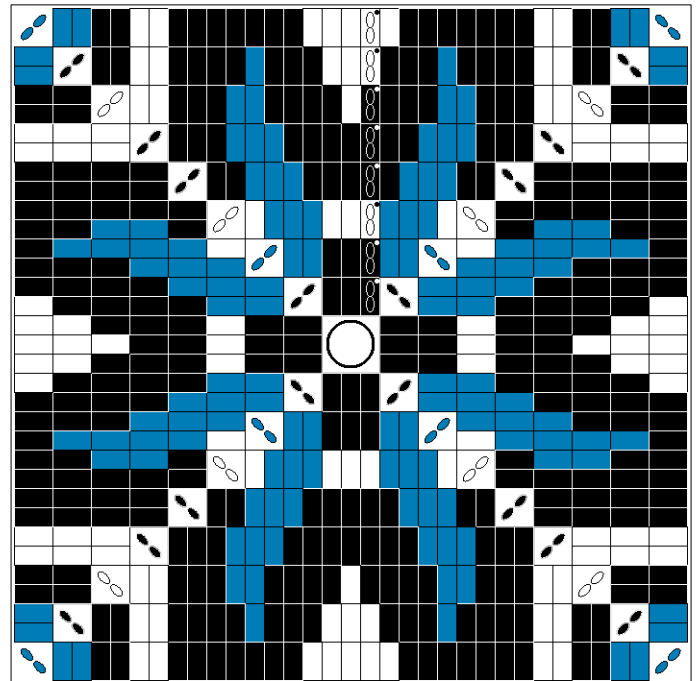
9 inches square (22,5 cm)

Gauge:

8 double crochet stitches X 3½ rounds = 2 in X 2 in (5 cm)

Notes:

- Between parenthesis, at the end of each rounds, is the total of stitches made in that specific round. Chains aren't included in that total.
- **Tapestry crochet** = to learn how to change colour when making tapestry crochet, please refer to the photo tutorial below.
- **Carrying the yarn.** I decided to carry and work over the strands I'm not currently working with. Make sure your carried yarn isn't too tight or you will throw your gauge off.
- **Slip stitching with another colour.** Sometimes, you will have to close your rounds with the colour you are not working with. Example. You just finished a round with the Colour A. To close the round, slst with CB (Colour B) in the first st like so: Drop CA (Colour A), insert your hook in the first st of the round, yarn over with CB, pull through all the loops on your hook. Grab CA and give it a tug.
- The Ch2 at the beginning of your rounds will count as a double crochet stitch. Alternately, you can make a chainless standing double crochet if you know how to.

**Left handed****Right handed**

*Starting with CA.*

1. In a magic ring: Ch2 (counts as a dc), 2dc, [ch2, 3dc] 3 times. Ch2, slst on top of the ch 2 with CA. (12)
2. With CA: Ch2 (counts as a dc), 1dc in each of the next 2 st. \*In the ch2-space: [With CB: 2dc, ch2, 2dc]. With CA: 1dc in each of the next 3 st. Repeat from \* 2 more times. In the ch2-space: [With CB: 2dc, ch2, 2dc]. Slst on top of the ch2 with CC. (28)
3. With CC: Ch2 (counts as a dc), 1dc in each of the next 2 st. \*With CB: 1dc in each of the next 2 st. In the ch2-space: [With CB: 1dc. With CC: 1dc, ch2, 1dc. With CB: 1dc]. With CB: 1dc in each of the next 2 st. With CC: 1dc in each of the next 3 st. Repeat from \* 2 more times. With CB: 1dc in each of the next 2 st. In the ch2-space: [With CB: 1dc. With CC: 1dc, ch2, 1dc. With CB: 1dc]. With CB: 1dc in each of the next 2 st. Slst on top of the ch2 with CA. (44)
4. With CA: Ch2 (counts as a dc), 1dc in each of the next 3 st. \*With CB: 1dc in each of the next 3 st. In the ch2-space: [With CA: 2dc, ch2, 2dc]. With CB: 1dc in each of the next 3 st. With CA: 1dc in each of the next 5 st. Repeat from \* 2 more times. With CB: 1dc in each of the next 3 st. In the ch2-space: [With CA: 2dc, ch2, 2dc]. With CB: 1dc in each of the next 3 st. With CA: 1dc in the last st. Slst on top of the ch2 with CA. (60)
5. With CA: Ch2 (counts as a dc), 1dc in each of the next 4 st. \*With CB: 1dc in each of the next 3 st. With CA: 1dc in the next st. In the ch2-space: [With CA: 2dc, ch2, 2dc]. With CA: 1dc in the next st. With CB: 1dc in each of the next 3 st. With CA: 1dc in each of the next 7 st. Repeat from \* 2 more times. With CB: 1dc in each of the next 3 st. With CA: 1dc in the next st. In the ch2-space: [With CA: 2dc, ch2, 2dc]. With CA: 1dc in the next st. With CB: 1dc in each of the next 3 st. With CA: 1dc in each of the next 2 st. Slst on top of the ch2 with CA. (76)
6. With CA: Ch2 (counts as a dc). \*With CC: 1dc in the next st. With CA: 1dc in each of the next 4 st. With CB: 1dc in each of the next 2 st. With CA: 1dc in each of the next 3 st. In the ch2-space: [With CC: 2dc, ch2, 2dc]. With CA: 1dc in each of the next 3 st. With CB: 1dc in each of the next 2 st. With CA: 1dc in each of the next 4 st. Repeat from \* 2 more times. With CC: 1dc in the next st. With CA: 1dc in each of the next 4 st. With CB: 1dc in each of the next 2 st. With CA: 1dc in each of the next 3 st. In the ch2-space: [With CC: 2dc, ch2, 2dc]. With CA: 1dc in each of the next 3 st. With CB: 1dc in each of the next 2 st. With CA: 1dc in each of the next 3 st. Slst of top of the ch2 with CC. (92)
7. With CC: Ch2 (counts as a dc), 1dc in each of the next 2 st. \*With CA: 1dc in each of the next 3 st. With CB: 1dc in the next st. With CA: 1dc in each of the next 4 st. With CC: 1dc in each of the next 2 st. In the ch2-space: [With CA: 2dc, ch2, 2dc]. With CC: 1dc in each of the next 2 st. With CA: 1dc in each of the next 4 st. With CB: 1dc in the next st. With CA: 1dc in each of the next 3 st. With CC: 1dc in each of the next 3 st. Repeat from \* 2 more times. With CA: 1dc in each of the next 3 st. With CB: 1dc in the next st. With CA: 1dc in each of the next 4 st. With CC: 1dc in each of the next 2 st. In the ch2-space: [With CA: 2dc, ch2, 2dc]. With CC: 1dc in each of the next 2 st. With CA: 1dc in each of the next 4 st. With CB: 1dc in the next st. With CA: 1dc in each of the next 3 st. Slst on top of the ch2 with CC. (108)
8. With CC: Ch2 (counts as a dc), 1dc in each of the next 3 st. \*With CA: 1dc in each of the next 7 st. With CC: 1dc in each of the next 2 st. With CA: 1dc in each of the next 2 st. In the ch2-space: [With CB: 2dc, ch2, 2dc]. With CA: 1dc in each of the next 2 st. With CC: 1dc in each of the next 2 st. With CA: 1dc in each of the next 7 st. With CC: 1dc in each of the next 5 st. Repeat from \* 2 more times. With CA: 1dc in each of the next 7 st. With CC: 1dc in each of the next 2 st. With CA: 1dc in each of the next 2 st. In the ch2-space: [With CB: 2dc, ch2, 2dc]. With CA: 1dc in each of the next 2 st. With CC: 1dc in each of the next 2 st. With CA: 1dc in each of the next 7 st. With CC: 1dc in the last st. Slst on top of the ch2 with CC. (124)

**Fasten off all 3 colours. Weave in your ends in same colour sections.**

**I highly suggest you block your square. To do so, pin it down on a foam mat. Make sure to stretch it to the desired size. Spray it with water and then let air dry. Then remove the pins, et voilà!**

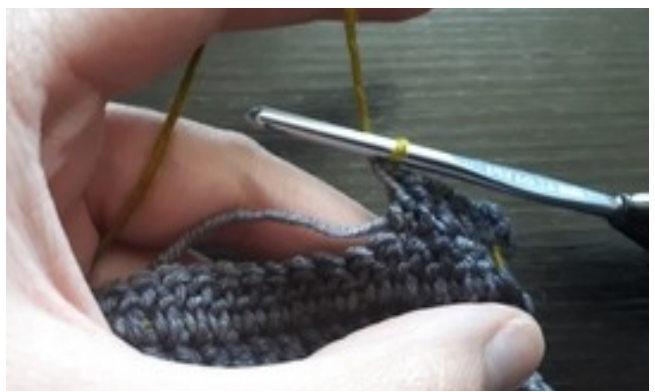
## How to switch colours in tapestry crochet

Left-handed

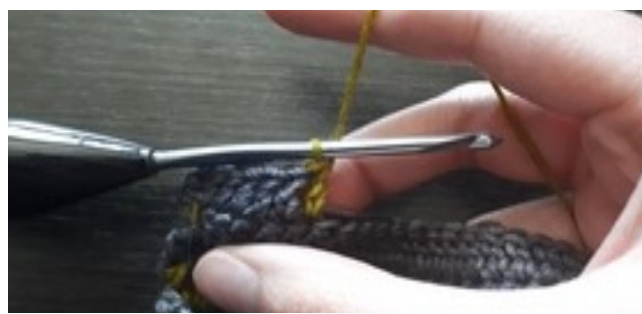
Right-handed



1. Tapestry crochet means that you need to switch from one colour to another in the middle of the row. In this case, I was crocheting a sample with Colour B, then I had to switch to colour A. To switch, I started my last stitch in CB as usual but I stopped before my last yarn over (two loops left on the hook).



2. Drop the old colour, and yarn over with the new colour. Pull the new colour through both loops on your hook. This completes the last stitch with the old colour, and the new colour is on your hook, ready to use!



3. You can now work your stitches with the new colour. Don't forget to carry with you the colours you don't need for the next colour change by working over the strands.



## And you're done!

I hope you enjoyed this pattern. If you made an Illusion square, I would be absolutely thrilled to see it!! You can add a "Project" on Ravelry, you can share your picture on my Facebook page, or you can use the hashtag #crochetlamasdelaine on Instagram!

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