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# Checkerboard Placemats

**FREE CROCHET PATTERN**

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These Placemats are worked flat from bottom to top. Colors are changed using the tapestry method. Hold both colors throughout each row, working over the unused strand. When changing to the next color, work up to the final pull-through of the current color, completing the stitch with the new color. One ball of each color is enough for one Placemat. The yardage called for in the pattern is sufficient for two Placemats.

## FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

**Width:** 18½”
**Length:** 13”

## MATERIALS

**Premier® Yarns** *Premier Basix® Cotton* (100% Cotton; 3.5oz/100g, 154m/168yds)
- C1: 2210-18 Denim – 2 balls
- C2: 2210-16 Light Blue – 2 balls

**Hook:** US Size 8 (5 mm) or size needed to obtain gauge
**Notions:** Tapestry needle

## GAUGE

15 sts x 11 rows = 4” in hdc tapestry crochet
*Save time, check your gauge.*

## SKILLS/TECHNIQUES USED IN THIS PATTERN:

- Chains, slip stitches, and half double crochet stitches.
- Working in bottom bump of chains.
- Working in the third loop of half double crochet stitches.
- Working flat and in joined rounds.
- Changing colors using the tapestry crochet method.

## PLACEMAT *(MAKE 2)*

With C1, ch 67.
**Row 1:** Working in bottom bump of chs, hdc in 2nd ch from hook and next 3 chs, with C2 hdc in next 4 chs, *with C1 hdc in next 4 chs, with C2, hdc in next 4 chs; rep from * to end, turn.
**Row 2:** With C2, ch 2 (counts as hdc), hdc in next 3 hdc, with C1 hdc in next 4 hdc, *with C2 hdc in next 4 hdc, with C1 hdc in next 4 hdc; rep from * to end, turn.
**Row 3:** With C1, ch 2 (counts as hdc), hdc in next 3 hdc, with C2 hdc in next 4 hdc, *with C1 hdc in next 4 hdc, with C2 hdc in next 4 hdc; rep from * to end, turn.
**Row 4:** With C1, ch 2 (counts as hdc), hdc in next 3 hdc, with C2 hdc in next 4 hdc, *with C1 hdc in next 4 hdc, with C2 hdc in next 4 hdc; rep from * to end, turn.
**Row 5:** With C2, ch 2 (counts as hdc), hdc in next 3 hdc, with C1 hdc in next 4 hdc, *with C2 hdc in next 4 hdc, with C1 hdc in next 4 hdc; rep from * to end, turn.
**Row 6:** With C1, ch 2 (counts as hdc), hdc in next 3 hdc, with C2 hdc in next 4 hdc, *with C1 hdc in next 4 hdc, with C2 hdc in next 4 hdc; rep from * to end, turn.
**Row 7:** With C2, ch 2 (counts as hdc), hdc in next 3 hdc, with C1 hdc in next 4 hdc, *with C2 hdc in next 4 hdc, with C1 hdc in next 4 hdc; rep from * to end, turn.
**Row 8:** With C1, ch 2 (counts as hdc), hdc in next 3 hdc, with C2 hdc in next 4 hdc, *with C1 hdc in next 4 hdc, with C2 hdc in next 4 hdc; rep from * to end, turn.
**Row 9:** With C2, ch 2 (counts as hdc), hdc in next 3 hdc, with C1 hdc in next 4 hdc, *with C2 hdc in next 4 hdc, with C1 hdc in next 4 hdc; rep from * to end, turn.
**Rows 10-12:** Rep Rows 4-6.
**Rows 13-15**: Rep Rows 7-9.
**Rows 16-18:** Rep Rows 4-6.
**Rows 19-21:** Rep Rows 7-9.
**Rows 22-24:** Rep Rows 4-6.
**Rows 25-27:** Rep Rows 7-9.
**Rows 28-30:** Rep Rows 4-6.
Cut C1.

**Border**

**Rnd 1:** Continuing with C2, work 2 more hdc into same/final st, rotate piece 90 degrees, hdc evenly down side of piece at a rate of 3 hdc for every 2 rows, 3 hdc in corner, hdc in each ch from beg-ch edge, 3 hdc in corner, hdc evenly up other side, 3 hdc in corner, hdc evenly along top/final row, join with sl st to beg hdc.
**Rnds 2-3:** Sl st to corner hdc, ch 2 (counts as dc), *hdc in each hdc to corner dc, [hdc, ch 2, hdc] in corner hdc; rep from * 2 more times, hdc in each hdc to beg corner, hdc in same hdc as beg hdc, ch 1, join with sc to beg hdc.
**Rnd 4:** Turn, ch 1, loosely sl st in third loop of each hdc around.

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Fasten off.

## FINISHING

Weave in ends. Wash and block if desired.

## ABBREVIATIONS

| | |
|---|---|
| **beg** | beginning |
| **C** | color |
| **ch(s)** | chain |
| **hdc** | half double crochet |
| **rep** | repeat |
| **rnd(s)** | round(s) |
| **sl st** | slip stitch |
| **st(s)** | stitch(es) |

## MEET THE DESIGNER



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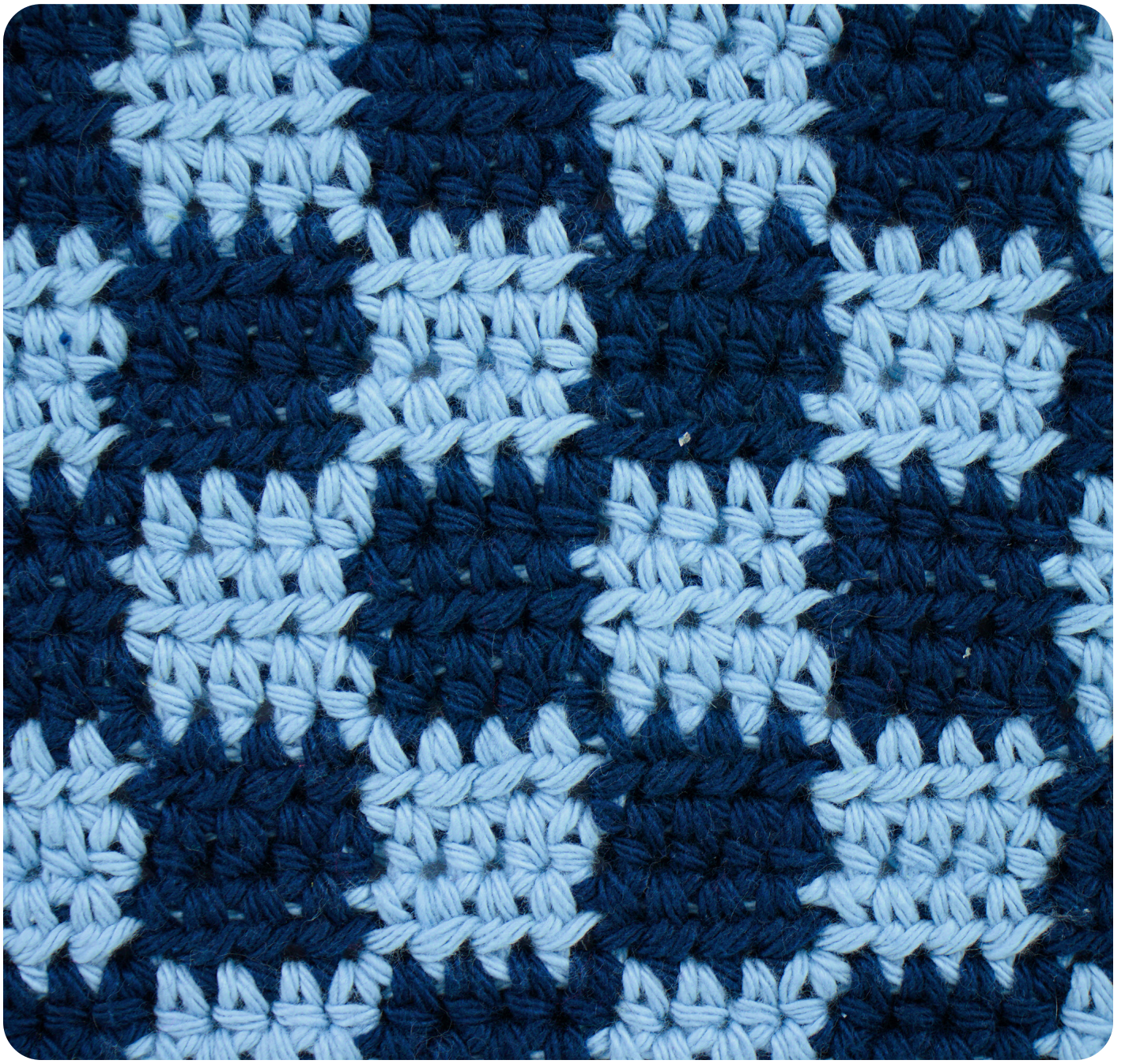

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