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Skill Level:

EASY

Anthem Lion Lovie

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Size:

12” x 12” square (lovie)

Materials:

- Cascade Yarns® Anthem; 100% Acrylic; 100g (3.5 oz)/ 186 yds (170m);
- 1 skein color #38 Lemon
- 1 skein color #15 Camel
- Crochet Hook Size H (5.0 mm)
- 2-12mm safety eyes
- Yarn needle

Gauge:

14 sts x 8 rows = 4” (10 cm) Blocked/Unblocked, in dc.

Abbreviations:

ch	= chain stitch
sk	= skip
sc	= single crochet
sp	= space
yo	= yarn over
dc	= double crochet
sl st	= slip stitch
ch sp	= chain space
hdc	= half double crochet
blo	= back loop only
sc2tog	= single crochet 2 together

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Notes:

The first ch-3 will be the first dc.

Special Stitches:

Beginning Cluster (Beg Cluster): Ch 3, * yo, pull up loop, pull through 2 loops on hook, rep from * one time, yo, pull through all 3 loops to complete.

Cluster: * Yo, pull up loop, pull through 2 loops on hook, rep from * 2 times, pull through all 4 loops on hook to complete.

Begin Pattern:

Blanket
With Yellow, Chain 8, join with a sl st to first ch to create a ring.

Rnd 1: Beg Cluster (see Special Stitches), ch 3, cluster, [ch3, (cluster , ch 2, cluster)] 3 times, ch 3, cluster, ch 2, join with sl st at top of Beg Cluster.

Rnd 2: Sl st to ch-3 space, (Beg Cluster, ch 2, Cluster) in ch-3 space, *ch 2, 3 dc in ch-1 sp, ch 2 **, (cluster, ch 2, cluster) in ch-2 space, rep from *, ending last rep at **, join with sl st at top of Beg Cluster.

Rnd 3: Sl st to ch-2 space, (Beg Cluster, ch 2, Cluster) in ch -2 sp, * ch 2, dc in each ch and st across, ch 2 **, (Cluster, ch 2, Cluster) in next ch 2 sp, rep from *, ending last rep at **, join with sl st at top of Beg Cluster.
Rnds 4-7: Rep Rnd 3. Fasten off.
Rnd 8: With Brown, rep Rnd 3. Fasten off.
Rnd 9: With Yellow, rep Rnd 3. Fasten off.
Rnd 10: With Brown, rep Rnd 3. Fasten off.

Head
With Yellow, ch 2.

Rnd 1: 6 sc in first ch, do not join. (6 sc)
Rnd 2: Working in the round, 2 sc in each stitch. (12 sc)
Rnd 3: * Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc, rep from * around. (18 sc)
Rnd 4: * Sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc, rep from * around. (24 sc)
Rnd 5: * Sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc, rep from * around. (30 sc)
Rnd 6: * Sc in next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc, rep from * around. (36 sc)
Rnds 7-10: Sc in each sc around.

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Rnd 11: Working in blo, sc in each sc around.
Rnd 12: Using both loops, sc in each sc around
Rnd 13: * Sc in next 4 sc, sc2tog, rep from * around. (30 sc)
Rnd 14: * Sc in next 3 sc, sc2tog, rep from * around. (24 sc)
Rnd 15: * Sc in next 2 sc, sc2tog, rep from * around. (18 sc)
Rnd 16: * Sc in next sc, sc2tog, rep from * around. (12 sc)
Add safety eyes and stitch on nose.
Stuff head firmly.
Rnd 17: Sc2tog 6 times.
Rnd 18: Sc in next 3 sts, sl st in next, leave remaining sts unworked. Fasten off, leaving long length. Use yarn needle to sew opening closed .

Mane
Rnd 1: With Brown, join with sl st in Row 11 exposed front loop, sl st in each stitch around, join with sl st to first sl st.
Rnd 2: (sl st, ch 3, sl st) in each blo around, sl st to the flo of first stitch to finish round.
Rnd 3: * Ch 3, sl st to next st, rep from * around, join with sl st to first st. Fasten off.

Arms (make 2)
With Brown, ch 2.

Rnd 1: 4 sc in first ch, do not join. (4 sc)
Rnd 2: Working in the round, 2 sc in each stitch. (8 sc)
Fasten off.
Rnd 3: Join Yellow in any stitch in the back loop, working in the back loop only, ch 1, sc in each stitch around, join with sl st to first st.
Rnd 4: Ch 1, sc in each sc around, do not join.
Rnds 5-16: Working in the rnd, sc in each sc around.
To finish, sl st to the first st of last row, fasten off leaving a long length.

Assembly
With yarn needle, sew arms on opposite side of ch-8 ring of lovie. Next sew head on top of ch-8 space. Weave in all ends.

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