

KALEVALA-CAL

LINTUKOTO- BIRD HOME

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The bird home is described as a hot place where birds live. Sky was very close to the ground there, the sky dome touched the ground. Therefore, it was a small, tight place. The reddish shades in the square indicate the heat. You can see birds in the shapes that go out from the centre of the square.

This crochet square pattern is a part of a Finnish crochet project. We have designed a crochet blanket based on the Kalevala Mythology. It has been created as a tribute Finland's 100 years of independence. The general information and links to all the square patterns of the blanket can be found in the Kalevala CAL info post at the [blog of Arteeni](http://blog.of.Arteeni).

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You can see the video tutorial for the Bird home square in YouTube at <https://youtu.be/ODJev4fwnIA>.

Info:

Yarn:	Menita Lasse
	203 Dark grey
	2317 Yellow
	8755 Magenta
	9963 Olive green

Abbreviations and explanations:

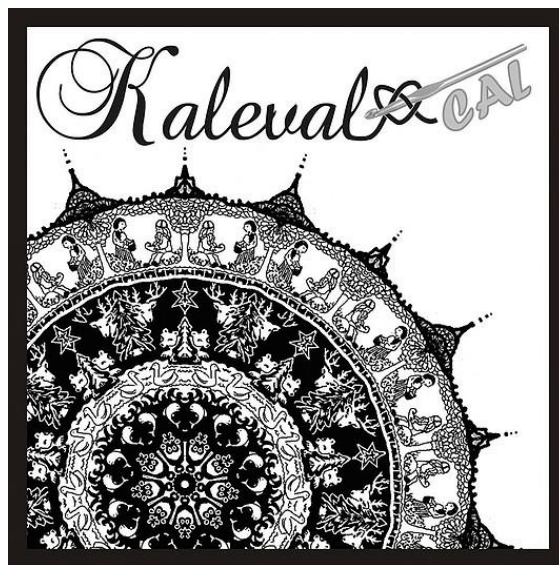
ch	chain
st/sts	stitch / stitches
ch-sp	chain space
sl st	slip stitch
sc	single crochet
fsc	foundation single crochet (chainless foundation), see video https://youtu.be/GBsorVC9H58
dc	double crochet (1 yarn over)
tr	treble crochet (2 yarn overs)
yo	yarn over
SK	skip
rnd	round
x	times (repeats)
FL	front loop
BL	back loop
FLsl st	slip stich to front loop of stitch
prev	previous
pc	popcorn with 4 dc

Crochet 4 dc into one stitch, take hook off last st but leave st, insert hook into 1st dc, pick up the dropped st & place on hook, yo, pull yarn through both st. See video at <https://youtu.be/T2Hef3SLx8s>

Tips for reading the pattern

- Repeat instructions between asterisks the amount of times specified. This is normally a repeat for a complete side and will consist of multiple instructions.

(...) Repeat instructions between brackets as many times as directed.



[...] *Between the square brackets there are tips and photo hints to help you through the pattern.*



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Each dc rnd has been started using the standing stitch. If the technique is not familiar to you, you can watch a video at <https://youtu.be/19G7ByrnZ2I> . You can also replace the first dc with ch 3.

Start: Ch 8, close to form a ring (yarn: magenta 8755).

1. Crochet into ring (dc, ch 2) x 8, close R with sl st.

Stitch count: 24

Colour: magenta 8755

2. Ch 1, 4 sc into each ch-sp. Close R with sl st.

Stitch count: 32

Colour: magenta 8755

3. (BLdc into next 3 st, 2 BLdc into next st) to end of rnd, close with sl st.

Stitch count: 40

Colour: magenta 8755

4. (dc into next 4 sts, 2 dc into next st) to end of rnd, close with sl st. Pull up yarn on hook to leave a long loop so it does not unravel. Leave aside until needed at the next stage.

Stitch count: 48

Colour: magenta 8755

Work after 4 rnds (Image 1):



Image 1

5. On this rnd, you create the yellow arches. They will remain loose on this rnd and will be attached on the next rnd.

Join yellow (2317) yarn to the 1st FLsl st which is made in the FL of sc of rnd 2, directly below start of rnd, using yellow yarn. [This sl st is included in stitches between *-*. There are 2 sl st between each arch.]

FLsl st, 14 fsc, attach with FLsl st into 7th sc. Repeat * - * 4 times in total. Fasten off.

Colour: yellow 2317

Work on rnd 5 (Image 2):



Image 2

6. Arches are attached to the back loops of rnd 4. Insert hook into stitch that was left aside from rnd 4.

Continue with magenta (8755) yarn and ch 1, * BLsc into next 5 st, join yellow arch to the back loops of 7th and 8th fsc of arch with next 2 BLsc, BLsc into next 5 st*. Repeat * - * 4 times in total. Close rnd with sl st. Fasten off.

Stitch count: 48

Colour: magenta 8755

Work of rnd 6 (Image 3):



Image 3

[Olive green rnd (rnd 7) needs to start at the place where the arches start. If the stitch you start the rnd with is not at that place, move it now. Otherwise, the design will not be symmetrical. Indicated with yellow line in Image 4 below.]

7. Start with olive green (9963) yarn. Ch 1, *5 sc, (ch 5, sc) x 3, 4 sc*. Repeat * - * 4 times in total. Close rnd with sl st. Scs will be made into every stitch in order, therefore forming loops (Image 4). Fasten off.

Colour: olive green 9963

Work after rnd 7:



Image 4

8. Start with dark grey yarn (203) and ch 1, *4 sc, ch 7, pc into sc between loops, ch 7, pc into sc between loops, ch 7, SK next loop and 1st sc of previous rnd, 4 sc*. Repeat * - * 4 times in total. Close rnd with sl st. Fasten off.

Colour: dark grey 203

Work after rnd 8 (Image 5):



Image 5

9. Start with yellow (2317) yarn and ch 1, *3 sc, ch 7, crochet into top of pc (dc, ch 3, dc), ch 7, crochet into next pc (dc, ch 3, dc), ch 7, SK next sc, 3 sc *. Repeat * - * 4 times in total. Close rnd with sl st. Fasten off.

Colour: yellow 2317

Work after rnd 9 (Image 6):



Image 6

10. Start with olive green (9963) yarn and ch 1, *2 sc, ch 7, (dc, ch 3, dc) into dc, (dc, ch 3, dc) into next dc, ch 7, (dc, ch 3, dc) into next dc, (dc, ch 3, dc) into next dc, ch 7, SK next sc of previous rnd, 2 sc *. Repeat * - * 4 times in total. Close rnd with sl st. Fasten off.

Colour: olive green 9963

Work after rnd 10 (Image 7):



Image 7

11. Start with magenta (8755) yarn. Rnd 11 is shown on video <https://youtu.be/5Ww4A5tNI80> . I recommend you watch the video before starting this rnd.
Ch 1. Instructions for one corner, repeat * to * 4 times in total:
*3 tr together so that they are crocheted on top of previous rnds in a fan shape (Image 8), sc into sc next to starting stitch on rnd. Pull up a big yarn loop so it does not unravel and leave aside until needed.



Image 8

Crochet ch-spaces from previous rnds together before continuing this rnd, see video at <https://youtu.be/5Ww4A5tNI80?t=1m43s> . Crochet ch-spaces, made on rnds 7-10, into stitches as if you were chaining them, starting from ch-sp on rnd 7 (Images 9-11).



Image 9



Image 10



Image 11

Insert hook back into waiting st and continue with magenta (8755) yarn.

Ch 1, sc into top of attached ch-sp st, ch 2, sc into next ch-sp, ch 2, dc between 2 dcs, ch 2, sc into next ch-sp, ch 3, sc into top of attached ch-sp st, ch 3, sc into next ch-sp, ch 2, dc between 2 dcs, ch 2, sc into next ch-sp, ch 2, sc into top of attached ch-sp st, ch 1, SK 1st sc of previous rnd, sc *. Close rnd with sl st.

Colour: magenta 8755

12. Dc the whole r. Stitch count per side: 29 dc evenly distributed, ch 3 in each corner. Fasten off.

Colour: magenta 8755

13. Whole rnd: (dc, ch 1, SK 1 st). Into each corner add (dc, ch 3, dc). Stitch count per side: 17 dc. Fasten off.

Colour: yellow 2317

14. 2 sc into each ch-sp between dcs of previous rnd, 5 sc into corners. Close rnd with sl st. Fasten off.

Stitch count: 148

Colour: olive green 9963

15. Repeat for the whole rnd: (dc, ch 2, pc, ch 2) evenly distributed and at the corners (pc, ch 3, tr, ch 3, pc) all into same sc in the middle of corner. Stitch count per side: 7 pc. Close rnd with sl st. Fasten off.

Colour: dark grey 203

[On the video the last row is started from the corner.]

16. Each side: dc into corner stitch, 3 dc into ch-sp, (SK pc, 2 dc into ch-sp, dc, 2 dc into ch-sp) x 6, SK pc, 3 dc into ch-sp, dc into corner stitch, ch 3. Stitch count per side: 38 dc. Close rnd with sl st. Fasten off and secure ends.

Colour: magenta 8755



Image 12

Finishing: Wet the square thoroughly, pull up popcorns, shape and let dry flat.

Tip: You may share your squares in social media using the hashtag #KalevalaCAL.

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