Adult Mermaid Tail Afghan in 3 sizes-Small, Medium, Large

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Sizing:
Size Small will fit a child that is 4 feet-5 feet tall.
The Medium will fit anybody that is 5 feet to 6 feet tall (this is the one I filmed), and
the Large fits anybody over 6 feet tall.
The Width for each is the same so it can fit larger or skinnier people. It measures approximately 50 inches wide.

Watch this video tutorial to learn how to make this mermaid tail:
https://goo.gl/y6ny6f

Materials:
-Red Heart Super Saver Medium (worsted) weight yarn: The skeins of yarn are Approx.364 yds (333 m) per skein. Please keep that in mind when you are purchasing yarn.
Size Small: 2 skeins Macaw, 1 skein Jade, and 1 skein Peacock (Peacock comes in Red Heart With Love)
Size Medium: 3 skeins Macaw, 2 skeins Jade, and 2 skeins Peacock (Peacock comes in Red Heart With Love)
Size Large: 4 skeins Macaw, 3 skeins Jade, and 3 skeins Peacock (Peacock comes in Red Heart With Love)
If you cannot get these exact brands of yarn, go to Yarnsub.com to find an equivalent type of yarn.
-Size J-6.00mm crochet hook
-Yarn Needle

Special Stitches:
Ch: chain
Sl st: slip stitch
DC: double crochet
Sc: single crochet
Sc2tog: Single crochet 2 together (see Notes for Blanket portion)

Notes:
-When you finish this project, you may sew up the "open" side to make this a full cocoon style. You may also crochet a single crochet around the entire edge to "cover up" the edges where you sew in your ends.
-To sew in your ends, just take a yarn needle and hide all the ends back into your work. (I do not show how to do this in this video, but if you watch any of my other video tutorials, I show how I sew in my ends if you want to do it like me).
-The chain is the same in all sizes, but if you dont want it that wide, chain something that is in groups of 6 +2. So if you chain something that is 114 + 2, you would have 116 chains. I hope that makes sense!
-Ch 3 at beg of rnd counts as dc throughout.
–Change color after every row, sew in ends as you go
-sc2tog on "blanket" portion means to go into the middle st of 5dc group, yarn over, go into the middle st of the next 5dc group, yarn over, then yarn over and pull through all 3 loops on your hook.

<u>Small</u>

Ch 153

Row 1: dc in 3rd ch from hook and across, ch 1, turn (150 dc)

Row 2: *sc in first dc, skip 2 dc, 5dc in next st, skip 2 dc, repeat from * across, ch 3, turn (25 shells made)

Row 3: 2dc in same spot you chained up 3, skip 2 dc,* sc in next dc (the middle dc of shell), sk 2 dc, 5dc into sc, repeat from * until you reach the last sc, 3dc in the last dc, ch 1, turn

Row 4: Sc in first dc, skip 2 dc, *5 dc into sc, skip 2 dc, sc in next dc, skip 2 dc, repeat from *, ending with a sc in the beginning ch 3, ch 3 and turn.

Row 5-50: repeat rows 3-4 (Your last row will need to be a repeat of row 3, so you may need to do an extra row at this point.) If you feel like this is not long enough, or too long, you can add or eliminate rows and just continue to work the next round whichever row you end on. Make sure to end on a repeat row of row 3. The blanket should reach from the top of your hips to right above your ankle at this point. If it does not, make more rows and then go onto the instructions for row 51.

Now you will be connecting and working in the round (continuous circle) I highly suggest watching the video to understand this part.

Round 51: Sc in ch 3 of beginning of row 50 (this completes the circle), *sk 2 dc, 5dc into sc, sk 2 dc, sc in next dc, repeat from *around, ending with sc in 3rd dc of prev row.

Round 52: sk sc from previous rnd and sk 2 dc, sc in middle st of 5dc grouping, *sk 2 dc, sc in next dc, sk 2 dc, 5dc into sc, repeat from *around, ending with Sc2tog into middle of 5dc group from prev. rnd (rnd 51) AND the middle st of 5 dc grouping of rnd 52. (see video to help explain this)

Round 53:5dc in next sc st, sc in the middle of the next 5dc st all the way around, ending with 5 dc in the last sc

Round 54: (dec round) Sc2tog (see Notes), *5dc in next sc, Sc2tog, repeat from * around, ending with Sc2tog

Round 55: *5dc in next sc st, sc in middle st of 5dc grouping, repeat from * around, ending with 5dc grouping

Round 56: *Sc in middle st of 5dc grouping, 5dc in next sc st, repeat from * around, ending with Sc2tog into middle of 5dc gropuing from prev. rnd (rnd 55) AND the middle st of 5 dc grouping of rnd 56. (see video to help explain this)

Round 57: (dec round) *5dc in next sc st, Sc2tog, repeat from * around, ending with 5dc in sc st

Round 58: *Sc in middle st of 5dc grouping, 5dc in next sc st, repeat from * around ending with sc

Round 59: *5dc in next sc st, sc in middle st of 5dc grouping, repeat from * around ending with 5dc in last sc

Round 60: (dec. round) *Sc2tog, 5dc in next sc st, repeat from * around. Sl st to first sc of round. (You should only have 2 shells left, if you have 3 or 4 shells, thats okay too! Fasten off anyway and sew it closed.)

Fasten off with long tail, sew remaining hole closed.

<u>**Medium**</u> (Demonstrated in Video Tutorial)

Ch 153

Row 1: dc in 3rd ch from hook and across, ch 1, turn (150 dc)

Row 2: *sc in first dc, skip 2 dc, 5dc in next st, skip 2 dc, repeat from * across, ch 3, turn (25 shells made)

Row 3: 2dc in same spot you chained up 3, skip 2 dc,* sc in next dc (the middle dc of shell), sk 2 dc, 5dc into sc, repeat from * until you reach the last sc, 3dc in the last dc, ch 1, turn

Row 4: Sc in first dc, skip 2 dc, *5 dc into sc, skip 2 dc, sc in next dc, skip 2 dc, repeat from *, ending with a sc in the beginning ch 3, ch 3 and turn.

Row 5-66: repeat rows 3-4 (Your last row will be a repeat of row 3, so you may need to do an extra row at this point.) If you feel like this is not long enough, or too long, you can add or eliminate rows and just continue to work the next round whichever row you end on. Make sure to end on a repeat row of row 3. The blanket should reach from the top of your hips to right above your ankle at this point. If it does not, make more rows and then go onto the instructions for row 67. Now you will be connecting and working in the round (continuous circle) I highly suggest watching the video to understand this part.

Round 67: Sc in ch 3 of beginning of row 66 (this completes the circle), *sk 2 dc, 5dc into sc, sk 2 dc, sc in next dc, repeat from *around, ending with sc in 3rd dc of prev row.

Round 68: sk sc from previous rnd and sk 2 dc, sc in middle st of 5dc grouping, *sk 2 dc, sc in next dc, sk 2 dc, 5dc into sc, repeat from *around, ending with Sc2tog into middle of 5dc group from prev. rnd (rnd 67) AND the middle st of 5 dc grouping of rnd 68. (see video to help explain this)

Round 69:5dc in next sc st, sc in the middle of the next 5dc st all the way around, ending with 5 dc in the last sc

Round 70: (dec round) Sc2tog (see Notes), *5dc in next sc, Sc2tog, repeat from * around, ending with Sc2tog

Round 71: *5dc in next sc st, sc in middle st of 5dc grouping, repeat from * around, ending with 5dc grouping

Round 72: *Sc in middle st of 5dc grouping, 5dc in next sc st, repeat from * around, ending with Sc2tog into middle of 5dc gropuing from prev. rnd (rnd 71) AND the middle st of 5 dc grouping of rnd 72. (see video to help explain this)

Round 73: (dec round) *5dc in next sc st, Sc2tog, repeat from * around, ending with 5dc in sc st

Round 74: *Sc in middle st of 5dc grouping, 5dc in next sc st, repeat from * around ending with sc

Round 75: *5dc in next sc st, sc in middle st of 5dc grouping, repeat from * around ending with 5dc in last sc

Round 76: (dec. round) *Sc2tog, 5dc in next sc st, repeat from * around. Sl st to first sc of round. (You should only have 2 shells left, if you have 3 or 4 shells, thats okay too! Fasten off anyway and sew it closed.)

Fasten off with long tail, sew remaining hole closed.

Large
Ch 153

Row 1: dc in 3rd ch from hook and across, ch 1, turn (150 dc)

Row 2: *sc in first dc, skip 2 dc, 5dc in next st, skip 2 dc, repeat from * across, ch 3, turn (25 shells made)

Row 3: 2dc in same spot you chained up 3, skip 2 dc,* sc in next dc (the middle dc of shell), sk 2 dc, 5dc into sc, repeat from * until you reach the last sc, 3dc in the last dc, ch 1, turn

Row 4: Sc in first dc, skip 2 dc, *5 dc into sc, skip 2 dc, sc in next dc, skip 2 dc, repeat from *, ending with a sc in the beginning ch 3, ch 3 and turn.

Row 5-74: repeat rows 3-4 (Your last row will be a repeat of row 3, so you may need to do an extra row at this point.) If you feel like this is not long enough, or too long, you can add or eliminate rows and just continue to work the next round whichever row you end on. Make sure to end on a repeat row of row 3. The blanket should reach from the top of your hips to right above your ankle at this point. If it does not, make more rows and then go onto the instructions for row 75. Now you will be connecting and working in the round (continuous circle) I highly suggest watching the video to understand this part.

Round 75: Sc in ch 3 of beginning of row 74 (this completes the circle), *sk 2 dc, 5dc into sc, sk 2 dc, sc in next dc, repeat from *around, ending with sc in 3rd dc of prev row.

Round 76: sk sc from previous rnd and sk 2 dc, sc in middle st of 5dc grouping, *sk 2 dc, sc in next dc, sk 2 dc, 5dc into sc, repeat from *around, ending with Sc2tog into middle of 5dc group from prev. rnd (rnd 75) AND the middle st of 5 dc grouping of rnd 76. (see video to help explain this)

Round 77:5dc in next sc st, sc in the middle of the next 5dc st all the way around, ending with 5 dc in the last sc

Round 78: (dec round) Sc2tog (see Notes), *5dc in next sc, Sc2tog, repeat from * around, ending with Sc2tog

Round 79: *5dc in next sc st, sc in middle st of 5dc grouping, repeat from * around, ending with 5dc grouping

Round 80: *Sc in middle st of 5dc grouping, 5dc in next sc st, repeat from * around, ending with Sc2tog into middle of 5dc gropuing from prev. rnd (rnd 79) AND the middle st of 5 dc grouping of rnd 80. (see video to help explain this)

Round 81: (dec round) *5dc in next sc st, Sc2tog, repeat from * around, ending with 5dc in sc st

Round 82: *Sc in middle st of 5dc grouping, 5dc in next sc st, repeat from * around ending with sc

Round 83: *5dc in next sc st, sc in middle st of 5dc grouping, repeat from * around ending with 5dc in last sc

Round 84: (dec. round) *Sc2tog, 5dc in next sc st, repeat from * around. Sl st to first sc of round. (You should only have 2 shells left, if you have 3 or 4 shells, thats okay too! Fasten off anyway and sew it closed.)

Fasten off with long tail, sew remaining hole closed.

Tail Fin (Same for all sizes)
Row 1: Chain 43, dc in 4th ch from hook and across, ch 2, turn (40dc)

Row 2: Dc2tog, dc in each stitch across, ch 2, Turn (39dc)

Row 3: DC in each stitch until the last 2 sts, dc2tog, ch 2, turn (38)

Row 4-11: repeat row 2 & 3 until you have 30 sts
Row 12: Dc2tog, Dc2tog, dc in each st across, ch 2, turn (28)
Row 13: Dc in each st across until the last 2 sts, 2dc in each of the last 2 sts, ch 2, turn (30)
Row 14: 2dc in first st, dc across, ch 2, turn (31)
Row 15: dc across until the last st, 2 dc in last st, ch 2, turn (32
Rows 16-23: Repeat rows 14 & 15 until you have 40 sts
Row 24: Dc across
Sc around entire tail, put 3 sc in each corner around, once you come back to the beginning do not fasten off, ch 1 and turn so you are working on the flat side of fin (the side edge that is going to be sewed to the tail)
I suggest watching the video to understand this next part.
Row 1: sc2tog across, ch 1 turn
Row 2: sc2tog across, ch 1 turn
Row 3: *sc2tog, sc next, repeat from * across, ch 1 turn
Row 4: *sc2tog, sc in next, repeat from * across,
Fasten off with long tail.
Sew to tail using photo and video provided at the beginning of this pattern for a guide.

Finishing:
Sew in all loose ends. Enjoy being a mermaid!!