

# ANJA RUG

The Anja Rug is like a glimpse of grandma's plank flooring - its earthy tones and traditional pattern evoke warm memories of summer days and unhurried moments. This nostalgic rug will bring a touch of the past and handmade tradition into your home.



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**Level of difficulty:** Intermediate.



**Design:** Molla Mills, Lankava.

**Size:** 70 x 160 cm.

**Yarn:** Lankava Essi Tube Yarn (80 % recycled cotton, 20 % polyester, 500 g = approx. 240 m), 1.2 kg natural white (2), 350 g light blue (18), 500 g green (10), 500 g light brown (4).

**Crochet hook:** 6.5 mm or size to obtain gauge.

**Gauge:** 12 stitches and 11 rows = 10 cm x 10 cm.

**Technique:** Crochet the rug back and forth using four different colors following the chart, with single crochet stitches. Carry only one yarn inside the stitches throughout the project and change colors by working the last yarn-over of the previous stitch with the new color. When the color of the pattern changes, cut and fasten off the old yarn and take a new yarn in work. Make sure that the carried yarn does not form a loop at the color change point. Gently pull the yarns at color changes to keep them even. Keep all yarns at the same tension and make the stitches as tight as possible. Leave the carried yarn one stitch away from the edge on the WS at the end of each row. Begin each row with a chain stitch, which counts as the first stitch of the row.

## INSTRUCTIONS:

Crochet a starting chain of 85 ch using natural white yarn. Leave about 4 meters of yarn tail at the beginning for the slip-stitch row later.

**Row 1 (WS):** With natural white yarn, crochet 1 sc into the second ch from the hook. Take light blue yarn in work, leave the yarn tail on top of the work. Crochet 1 sc into each ch, carrying blue yarn throughout (84 sc). Leave blue one stitch away from the edge on top of the work (which is WS of the piece).

**Rows 2-14:** 1 ch (counts as the first sc), crochet 1 sc into each st (84 sc), carrying blue yarn. At the end of Row 14, switch to blue yarn.

**Rows 15-16:** 1 ch, crochet 1 sc into each st with blue. At the end of Row 16, fasten off white and introduce green. Continue with blue.

**Row 17-170:** Follow the chart. Repeat rows 1.-52. third times and then rows 1.-14. once more.

**Finishing:** Crochet a slip stitch row along the top and bottom edges of the rug with white yarn: 1 sl st into each stitch. Note that the slip stitch row forms a braided texture on the WS of the rug.

Fasten off and weave in all yarn ends.



### Abbreviations:

**row(s)** = round(s)

**ch** = chain stitch

**st(s)** = stitch(es)

**sc** = single crochet

**sl st** = slip stitch

**RS** = right side

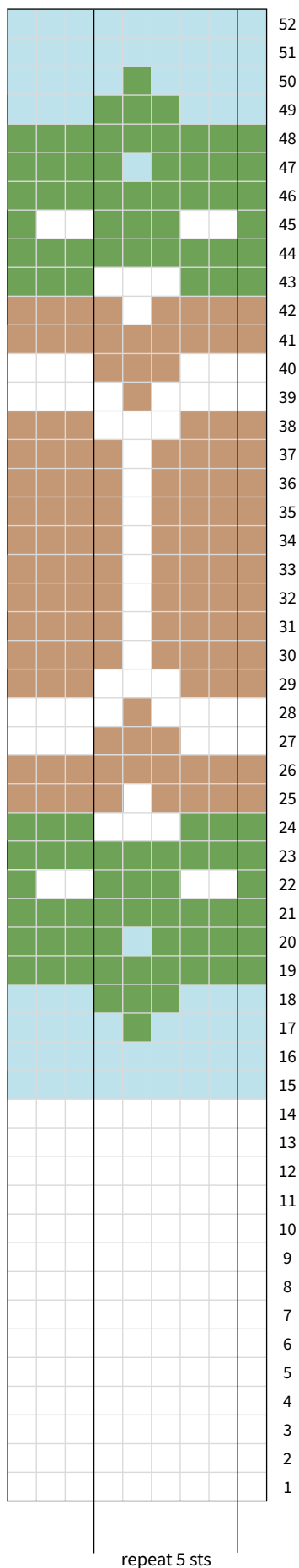
**WS** = wrong side



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# Chart



repeat 5 sts

## Key

- = natural white
- = light blue
- = green
- = light brown