

# Fan Dance

## 12" Afghan Block



*a Polly Plum*  
Pattern

**Crochet Terms:** American

**Skill Level:** Advanced beginner to Intermediate

**Finished Size:** 12 Inches

**Gauge:** First 3 rounds almost 4 inches

**Materials:** Worsted weight yarn, crochet hook size 1/5.5mm, yarn needle

### Abbreviations:

ch = chain

dc = double crochet

hdc = half double crochet

r(#) = round number

sc = single crochet

sk = skip

slst = slip stitch

sp = space

st = stitch

tr = treble crochet

yo = yarn over

### Designer's Notes

This is the 2016 refresh of Fan Dance, my first ever published pattern. I didn't change much in the written pattern. I updated some wording and grammar to my newer standards, but I left most of the pattern as it was. It's been made so many times I didn't want to take away what everyone is familiar with, just to smooth it over and polish it a bit.

Please visit [everytrickonthehook.com](http://everytrickonthehook.com) for a round by round photo tutorial.

### Special Stitches:

**bpsc/bpdc/bptr** - like normal sc, dc, or tr, but instead of inserting hook at the top of indicated stitch, insert it from back to front around the post of stitch

**Standing sc** - to start a round, with slip knot on hook, insert hook into indicated stitch, yo and pull up a loop, yo and pull through two loops on hook

**Standing bpsc** - to start a round, with slip knot on hook, insert hook from back to front around post of indicated stitch, yo and pull up a loop, yo and pull through two loops on hook

**V Stitch** - dc, ch1, dc

**Puff** - (yo, insert hook into indicated sp and pull up a loop) 4 times, yo and pull through all 9 loops on hook, ch1 (Note: the ch1 at the end of the puff creates the "eye" of the puff and does not count towards any additional chs that may come after the puff stitch.)

**bptr-V** - (back post treble V stitch) bptr, ch1, bptr

### Commence Pattern

Begin with double magic circle (or use chain loop if you prefer).

**Round 1:** ch3 (counts as first dc here and throughout), 11 dc into magic circle. Close magic circle. Slst to first dc to join.  
**12 dc**

**Round 2:** With same yarn ch3, or with new yarn standing dc in any dc. Dc in same st. (2dc in next dc) 11 times. Slst to first dc to join.  
**24 dc**

*Note: You'll only be working in every other space between stitches this round, not into the stitches themselves.*

**Round 3:** With same yarn slst into next dc and then slst into space between that dc and the next dc, or with new yarn standing dc in the space between any group of 2dc. Ch1, dc in same space (counts as first V). Ch1. (Sk next 2 dc, V in space between dc, ch1) 11 times. Slst to first dc to join. Fasten off.

**12 V stitches, 12 ch1 sp**

Note: In this round you'll be working only into the ch1 spaces so just plan on skipping all the dcs, I'm not going to tell you to.

**Round 4:** With new yarn standing sc in any ch1 space between V stitches of r3, \*ch1, puff stitch in ch1 space of V stitch, ch1, sc in next ch1 space,\* repeat from \* to \* 10 times more, ch1, puff stitch in ch1 space of next V stitch, ch1. Slst to first sc. Do not fasten off.

**12 sc, 12 puff stitches, 24 ch1 spaces**

Note: In this round you'll be skipping all the ch1 spaces from the last round.

**Round 5:** Ch1, sc in same sc as connecting slst from r4. (5 dc in eye of next puff stitch, sc in next sc) 11 times. 5 dc in eye of last puff stitch. Slst to first sc to join, fasten off.

**60 dc, 12 sc**

**Round 6:** With new yarn standing bpsc in second dc of any group of 5dc. Bpsc in next two dc. \*^Ch1, sk next dc, puff stitch in next sc, ch 1, sk next dc,^ bpsc in next 3 dc.\* Repeat from \* to \* 10 times and from ^ to ^ once. Slst to first bpsc to join. Do not fasten off.

**36 bpsc, 24 ch1 spaces, 12 puff stitches**

Note: You may notice your work tends to ruffle after round 6 and will continue to ruffle for the next few rounds, but it should work itself out by the end.

Note: Skipping ch1 spaces again.

**Round 7:** Ch1, sc in same bpsc as connecting slst from r6, sc in next two bpsc. (5dc in eye of next puff stitch, sc in next three bpsc) 11 times. 5dc in eye of last puff stitch. Slst to first sc to join, and fasten off.

**60 dc, 36sc**

**Round 8:** With new yarn standing bpsc in second dc of any 5dc group, bpsc in next two dc. \*^Sk next dc and sc, {(tr, ch1) 4 times, tr} in next sc, [sk next sc and dc, bpsc in next 3 dc, ch1, sk next dc and sc, V stitch in next sc, ch1] twice,^ sk next sc and dc, bpsc in next 3 dc,\* repeat from \* to \* 2 times and from ^ to ^ once. Slst to first bpsc to join and fasten off.

**20 tr, 8 V stitches, 36 bpsc, 32 ch1 sp**

**Round 9:** With new yarn standing sc in next sc after slst join of r8 (middle sc of three sc group before 5tr corner), ch1, sk next sc. \*^(Bptr-V around next tr, ch1) 5 times, [sk next sc, sc in next sc (middle of the three), ch1, sk next sc and dc, 5dc in ch1 space of V stitch, ch1] twice,^ sk next dc and sc, sc in next sc, ch1,\* repeat from \* to \* two times and from ^ to ^ once more. Slst to first sc to join and fasten off.

**5 bptr-V stitches, 40 dc, 12 sc, 40 ch1 sp**

**Round 10:** With new yarn standing dc in same sc as joining sc from r9, (ch1, dc) in same stitch (counts as first V). \*^Working around bptr of bptr-V stitches of r9 {[bpdc, ch1] 3 times, [bptr, ch1] twice, ch2, [bptr, ch1] twice, [bpdc, ch1] twice, bpdc}, [V stitch in next sc, sk next dc, bpdc in next three dc, sk next dc] twice,^ V stitch in next sc.\* Repeat from \* to \* two times and then from ^ to ^ once more. Slst to first sc to join.

**16 bptr, 48 bpdc, 12 V stitches, 4 ch2 sp, 32 ch1 sp**

**Round 11:** With same yarn ch2 (counts as first hdc), or with new yarn standing hdc in joining st. Hdc in each stitches and ch1 space to corner (11 hdc in all), \*work (hdc, ch2, hdc) in ch3 corner space, hdc in next 33 stitches and ch1 spaces,\* repeat from \* to \* two times more, hdc in last 21 stitches and ch1 spaces. Slst to first hdc to join.

**140 hdc, 4 ch2 spaces**

**Round 12:** With same yarn ch3, or with new yarn standing dc in joining st. [Dc in each st across to corner, (2dc, ch2, 2dc) in corner ch2 sp, skip first st on next side] 4 times. Dc in each remaining st to first st. Slst to first dc to join. Fasten off.

**152 dc (38 per side), 4 ch2 sp**

Weave in all ends.

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