FdA 0908 - Instructions

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MATERIALS: 40g crochet thread no.50 (originally: Cordonnet 6 fils Brillanté), 4 dpns size 1½, crochet hook no.10 [or whatever sizes and yarn thickness you prefer – matching! Depending on the thread used, 1 or 2 circs might be needed, as the B part goes from 90 sts up to 270 and the C part starts from 540.]

LEGEND

N 1 "pea" stitch as follows: Insert the crochet hook into the marked yarnover [yo] 6 rows below, pull a long loop. Make a yo on the hook and repeat until you have 6 long loops and 5 yo's in between, i.e., 11 loops on the hook. Yo and pull through all *[these]* loops. Yo and pull through the remaining loop. Replace the resulting stitch onto the right needle. *[It's a kind of nupp but worked into a place well below. The crochet hook just prevents loops from falling and facilitates the final pull through]*.

INSTRUCTIONS

The charts are to be read from bottom to top and from right to left. Empty boxes do not designate stitches but are just there to make the shape clear. The numbers on the right are row numbers. Numbers within the chart are number of knit stitches. (*Numbers below the bottom of the chart refer to the first row only. Numbers at the top of the chart refer to the last row only.*)

Knit 6 motifs according to chart A. For each motif, CO 10 sts, place 4 sts onto the 1st and 2nd needles and 2 sts onto the 3rd needle. Work in the round using the 4th needle. Repeat the chart 5 times per round. Place markers between repeats to facilitate grafting. Knit all even rows (not charted). Where there are double yarn overs, in the next round knit the first loop and purl the second loop. After row 11, put the sts on hold and work the other 5 motifs A. Now graft 5 of the motifs together in a ring around the 6th motif, according to the schematic.

Place the remaining 90 sts onto 3 dpns and work in the round according to chart B, repeating the chart 10 times per round. After row 39, put the resulting 270 sts on hold.

Work 30 motifs A as above. Graft them together into a ring, leaving 9 stitches or one side of each motif on a stitch holder toward the center, and two sides or 18 stitches of each motif live on a stitch holder toward the outside of the ring. Graft the center 270 sts of the ring to the 270 live stitches of the chart B motifs, according to the schematic.

Now start the outer border pattern C. You will have 540 sts on the stitch holders around the outside of the work. You will probably need to use two circular knitting needles to hold the stitches and a third to knit with. Knit chart C, 30 repeats per round. After row 16, bind off with a crochet hook, crocheting 5sts together, and chaining 12 sts between those points.

Block, starch and let dry.

Schematic

