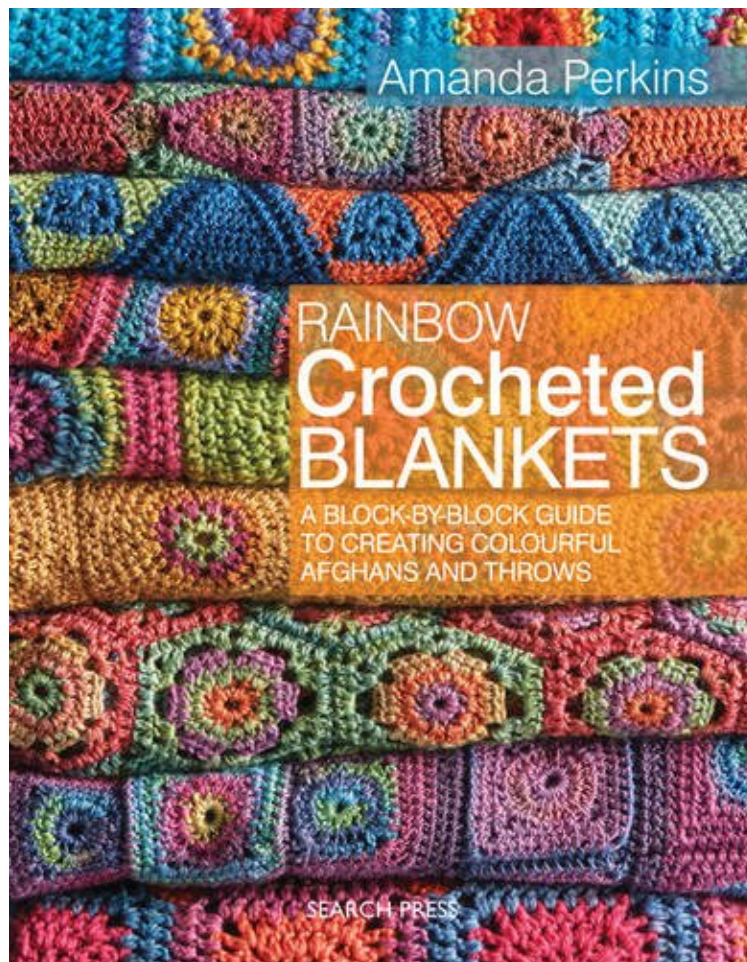


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**Amanda Perkins : Rainbow Crocheted Blankets: A Block-by-Block Guide to Creating Colourful Afghans and Throws** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Rainbow Crocheted Blankets: A Block-by-Block Guide to Creating Colourful Afghans and Throws:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Five StarsBy fionaBeautiful book - lots f ideas and techniques.1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Money well spent!By Peggy Benfer-thorntonArrived earlier than expected and absolutely love it! Worth every penny!4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Beautiful bookBy devoted readerI am early-stage self-taught crocheter. If I never crochet another thing, I would still love this book. It is beautiful. The colors and patterns are breathtaking. Worth every penny and I highly recommend to anyone interested

in the artistry of textiles.

Amanda's bold and inspiring use of colour and pattern gives stunning results that are deceptively easy to achieve. This colourful book contains illustrated block-by-block guides to creating ten stunning blankets, with colour variations providing twenty further creations. Each of the ten blankets is constructed from a series of simple motifs, including squares, hexagons and triangles: creating a large and sumptuous blanket is simply a matter of piecing together colourful motifs into wonderful arrangements. The book contains basic instruction on yarns and hooks, explains how to join motifs and sew in ends, and provides a brief guide to using colour. For each blanket there is an index of motifs used, accompanied by the instructions for how to make them: both in written form and as a chart. The blocks include a range of shapes and are accompanied by the 'fillers' needed to fill the gaps between them. Each project has a full colour chart, and takes the reader block by block through the entire construction process.

This is a lovely well presented book which is full of easy to follow ideas. I can't wait to start making some lovely blankets \* Laura Findlay \* I love this book! As a very, VERY novice crocheter, afghan squares is the absolute limit of my talent. But I'm very proud to say that since receiving this book, I've also managed a hexagon! Yes, I'm a long way short of a blanket, but it's a start. The book is 128 pages long, in full colour, and with excellent drawings of colour charts and photographs of the finished items. You can tell straight away this is a quality edition. It's a very easy book to understand, even for a complete beginner. Everything is explained- in terms I understood- and there are even conversions in the back for readers from other countries. There are recommended yarns and hook sizes, tips on how to join your motifs, as well as colour charts for 10 different projects. A sample motif for each blanket is written out- in the way a knitting pattern is- but also shown as a stitch diagram. I'm sure everyone would be able to follow one set or the other. I'm really enjoying getting back into crochet again. \* Ellie Lane \* A new book from a designer I admire, is always worth the wait. Therefore you can imagine my excitement when I received a review copy from the publishers at Searchpress of 'Rainbow Crochet Blankets' by Amanda Perkins. There are many, many books for beginner crocheters. But I am more than pleased to say this is not one of them! So refreshing to read a book with projects for the established crocheter, eager to be challenged. There are 10 of Amanda's glorious blanket projects in this book. Each is made up of simple shaped motif and includes both stitch charts and written patterns, along with many variations of colour charts. In this way you are given a total of 30 project options to choose from. It is the colour charts that make this book stand out from similar books. Amanda has carefully planned and designed colour variations on her original blankets. I love this aspect of the book, because I enjoy stamping my own style on a pattern and will rarely reproduce someone else's work to the exact colour specifications. On a rainy day it was a joy to flick through, with a cup of coffee and notebook by my side. Future projects are in the planning... The beauty of these blankets is in the yarn choices. Independent yarn dyers and spinners are recommended along with handy details of where they can be purchased. The larger commercial yarn companies are also listed as an alternative. I do realise that making a blanket using yarn from independent companies would work out very expensively, but what a beautiful heirloom to hand down to our families...? So to sum up: this a book with 10 beautiful projects for a beginner crocheter to aspire to, and for a more experienced crocheter to make. The colour charts give you a further 20 pattern options. Construction information is included, is well written and very easy to understand. The charts are very handy and there is a small section explaining how to read a chart which I found useful. If you are looking for a Christmas present for a crochet fan, buy this! They will not be disappointed with it, and will probably love you forever. I also had the pleasure of seeing these blankets in real life at Yarndale recently. They are stunning!

<http://www.lazydaisyjones.com/2016/10/searchpress-rainbow-crochet-blankets-by.html> \* Lazy Daisy Jones \* This book is a refreshing change from the norm. It doesn't want you to make exact copies of the blankets, it wants you to make your own design using the patterns. The book uses written patterns as well as charts and diagrams. The patterns are easy to follow and the colour charts give you so many. The whole point of the book really is colour. It's amazing how the different colours with the different designs create amazing blankets. Amanda uses 4 ply yarn so the designs are more detailed and more colours can be packed in. Each of the designs are so different from each other and I love the fact that quite a few aren't just rectangular. Amanda uses different shapes to create blankets that look unique. Working together with the different colours she uses create many beautiful designs. If you love to crochet blankets then this book really will fill your time. The only problem you might have is deciding which blanket to crochet first. \* Crochet Addict UK \* Issue 83 With an artist's eye for colour and shade, Amanda Perkins has put together a collection of ten glorious blanket designs, mixing patterns and tones to truly show-stopping effect. Our favourites include the purple hued Knot Garden and the beautiful rainbow Solstice, but any one would be a stunning addition to your home. Amanda recommends you work using yarn oddments left from other projects, and each pattern begins with a discussion of the colour palette and recommended brands. \* Inside Crochet \* A great book for those who are familiar with crochet and ready to start making blankets. I found the book easy to follow and there are lots of ideas and patterns inside to make your own blanket unique \* Joanne Rudland \* A great book for those who are familiar with crochet and ready to start making blankets. I found the book easy to follow and there are lots of ideas and patterns inside to make

your own blanket unique \* Emily Greentree \* This is such a happy, joyous book. The front cover just about says it all. Amanda is a lady with a mission to create colour on a large scale. She wants to paint the whole world with a rainbow. Her blankets are not only practical, they are gorgeous. She certainly has an eye for colour combinations and if you struggle with colour, this would be a great book for you. Easy to follow squares make eye-catching blankets. You could mix and match. Fabulous alternative colourways, variety of yarns (4ply just use the yarn gauge to substitute), written instructions, charts, good photography and easy stitching make for addictive crochet. You'll see the blanket size, hook size, yarn type and notes at a glance. No particular yarn is given so as not to restrict your choice. Choose from 10 blankets. Creativity is encouraged to make your own blanket designs and this is not a how to crochet book, although step-by-step are given for the blocks. There are circles or triangles within the blocks, and Amanda has used the blocks creatively. Stitches used are mainly use just double and treble crochet. These blocks are easy to make on the go, whereas the kind of all-over pattern is hard to travel with, as you are taking a full-sized blanket on the go. Amanda recommends using scrap yarns to create the blankets. Grab some 4 ply and start crocheting. Practical, adaptable and colourful designs in one of the best crochet books on the market. Recommended. \* YarnsandFabrics.co.uk \*About the Author Amanda Perkins designs and crochets her own blankets, shawls and scarves, and her patterns can be found on Etsy and Ravelry. She has her own blog: [amandascrochetblog.blogspot.co.uk](http://amandascrochetblog.blogspot.co.uk), and she regularly self-publishes her designs, which she sells via her website and at shows and exhibitions throughout the UK. Until mid-2015, Amanda ran the Natural Dye Studio from her home in Exmoor, North Devon.