

KALEVALA-CAL

ISO TAMMI, maailmanpuu – BIG OAK, the world tree

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“In the Kalevala, a great oak tree connects the earth, the heaven and the underworld. A big oak grows in the world as early as the world is still being edited and created. The oak covers the moon and the sun, and the world becomes dark. There is a search for a woodcutter, but nobody seems to succeed. Finally, from the sea becomes a small copper-colored dressed man who becomes a giant and hits the tree with three strokes of axe. The lights of heaven are finally released, and the world is ready. The magic powers of the tree are released for human joy. The treetop cutter gets the lifelong magic touch, the cutter of the branch gets happiness forever and the sprig cutter gets the eternal love.”

For me, nature is the eternal opportunity of happy life. When going to the forest, the mind calms and reaches away from all the hurry and noise. One of the finest trees in our forests is oak, especially the [Paavolan Tammi](#) and, according to it, the world tree was created.

This crochet square pattern is a part of a Finnish crochet project. We have designed a crochet blanket based on the Kalevala Mythology. It has been created as a tribute to Finland's 100 years of independence. The general information and links to all the square patterns of the blanket can be found in the Kalevala CAL info post at the [blog of Arteeni](#).

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Yarn

- Menita, Lasse
 - skein 100g, approx. 200 meters
- colors
 - Dark grey 203
 - Olive green 9963
 - Orange 3309
- yarn consumption
 - Dark grey 34g
 - Olive green 11g
 - Orange 11g

Stitches and abbreviations:

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| • ch st | chain stitch |
| • sl st | slip stitch |
| • sc | single crochet |
| • hdc | half double crochet |
| • dc | double crochet (1 yarnover on hook) |

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|------------|-------------------------------------|
| • tr | triple crochet (2yo on hook) |
| • dtr | double treble crochet (3yo on hook) |
| • fpdc | front post double crochet |
| • fptr | front post treble crochet |
| • fptr4tog | front post treble 4 sts together |



Special stitches:

Front post



Front post treble 4 stitches together



Tapestry crochet

Tapestry crochet means that other yarns runs inside stitches while crochet with one. The color is always changed when you still have 2 loops on the hook, bring in the new color on the last yarn over (to finish the last stitches in previous color).



Hints for reading the pattern

- Repeat instructions between the asterisks the amount of times specified. This is normally a repeat for a complete side and will consist of multiple instructions.

(...) work instructions within parentheses as many times as directed.

[...] Between the brackets text written in purple and italic is for helping to go along the pattern.

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Iso Tammi – Big Oak, the world tree – pattern

In this pattern you can use three different colours, but you may also use only one colour of your choice.

Colours

C1 - Dark grey 203

C2 – Olive green 9963

C3 – Orange 3309

Rnd 1

Start by making a magic ring with color C1 and into ring make ch 1, 12 sc. Join to the 1st sc with a sl st. Tighten the centre by pulling the short yarn end to form a ring so that the centre hole disappears. *Stitch count: 12 sts*



Rnd 2

Continue with color C1. Ch 3 *[count as dc]*, dc from the front in st before *[indicated with an arrow in photo below]*, *dc in next st, dc from the front in st before* repeat *-* 10 more times. Join to the 3rd ch with a sl st.

Stitch count: 24 sts



Rnd 3

Continue with color C1. Ch 3 [*count as dc*], dc in the same st, fpdc in the next st, *2 dcs in the next st, 1 fpdc* repeat *-* 10 more times. Join with color C2 to the 3rd ch with a sl st. Do not fasten off yarn C1.

Stitch count: 36 sts



Rnd 4

Continue with color C2. Ch 3 *[count as dc]*, dc in the same st, dc in the next st, with color C1 fpdc, *with color C2 2 dc in the next st, dc in the next st, with color C1 fpdc* repeat *-* 10 more times. Join with color C2 to the 3rd ch with a sl st.

Stitch count: 48 sts



Rnd 5

Continue with both yarns C1 and C2. With color C2 ch 3 *[count as dc]*, dc in the same st, fpdc in the next st, dc in the next st, with color C1 fpdc in the next st, *with color C2 2 dc in the next st, fpdc in the next st, dc in the next st, with color C1 fpdc in the next st* repeat *-* 10 more times. Join with color C3 to the 3rd ch with a sl st.

Stitch count: 60 sts



Rnd 6

Continue with color C3. Ch 3 *[count as dc]*, dc in the same st, dc in the next st, with color C2 fpdc in the next st, with color C3 dc in the next st *[change color C1 when you have finished the dc as in photo below]*, with C1 fptr4tog, *with color C3 2 dc in the next st *[do not skip the hidden st]*, dc in the next st, with color C2 fpdc in the next st, with color C3 dc in the next st, with color C1 fptr4tog*, repeat *-* 10 more times. Join to the 3rd ch with a sl st.

Stitch count: 72 sts



Rnd 7

Continue with color C2 and C3, do not fasten off yarn C1. With color C3 ch 3 *[count as dc]*, dc in the same st, fpdc in the next st, dc in the next st, *[change to color C2 when dc is finished]*, with color C2 fptr4tog, with color C3 dc in the next 2 sts, *2 dcs in the next st, fpdc in the next st, dc in the next st, with color C2 fptr4tog, *[change to color C3]*, dc

in the next 2 sts* repeat *-* 10 more times. Join with color C1 to the 3rd ch with a sl st.
Fasten off color C2.

Stitch count: 84 sts



Rnd 8

Continue with color C1 and C3. With color C1 ch 3 *[count as dc]*, dc in the same st, dc in the next st *[change color C3 when dc is finished]*, with color C3 fp4tog, *with color C1 dc in the next 4 sts, 2 dcs in the next st, dc in the next st, with color C3 fp4tog* repeat *-* 10 more times, with color C1 dc in the next 4 sts. Join to the 3rd ch with a sl st.
Fasten off color C3.

Stitch count: 96 sts



Rnd 9

Continue with color C1. *4 scs, 2 hdcs, 2 dcs in the next st, dc, 3 trs, 2 dtrs in the next st, ch 3, 2 dtrs in the next st, 3 trs, dc, 2 dcs in the next st, 2 hdcs, 4 scs* repeat *-* 3 more times. Join to the 1st sc with a sl st.

Stitch count: 112 sts and 3 ch -corners



Rnd 10

Ch 3 [*count as dc*], dc in the next 13 sts, (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) into the ch-sp, dc in the next 14 sts, *14 dc, (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) into the ch-sp, 14 dc* repeat *-* 2 more times. Join to the 3rd ch with a sl st.

Stitch count: 136 sts



Rnd 11

Ch 3 [*count as dc*], dc in the next 16 sts, (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) into the ch-sp, dc in the next 17 sts, *17 dcs, (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) into the ch-sp, 17 dcs* repeat *-* 2 more times. Join to the 3rd ch with a sl st.

Stitch count: 160 sts and 3 ch- corners



Finishing:

Steam to block and let it dry.

Hint. You may share your photos of your work in the social media #KalevalaCAL.