

## BLOU RUG

**Design:** Lankava, Molla Mills.

**Size:** 80x122 cm.

**Yarn:** Lankava Frotee loopy craft yarn (80 % recycled cotton, 20 % polyester) 2 kg Black (70), 1.8 kg Natural white (52) and 0.5 kg Yellow (57).

**Hook:** 8 and 9 mm or according to your tension.

**Gauge:** 7 sts and 7 rows = 10 cm.

### Abbreviations:

ch = chain stitch, s = stitch, yo = yarn over, sc = single crochet, ls = loop stitch, sl st = slip stitch, RS = right side, BS = back side.

**Loop Crochet:** The rug is crocheted flat with single and loop stitches according to the instructions and the chart. The loop stitches are crocheted with black yarn, and for the base, the black yarn is crocheted inside the white stitches. The white base yarn is left on the back side of the work white crocheting the black patterns but crocheted inside every 5th loop stitch. Change the yarn color at the last yarn over of the stitch. Always turn the work in the same direction when moving to a new row to keep the edges even.

**Crochet a front loop stitch on the right side of the work as follows:** Pull the yarn with your left thumb to the front of the work to make a loop about 3 cm long, hold the loop in place and crochet 1 sc.

**Crochet a back loop stitch on the back side of the work as follows:** Pull the yarn with your left index finger to the right side of the work to make a loop about 3 cm long (note, pull these loops to the same side with the front loops), hold the loop in place and crochet 1 sc. Note: The loop stitches do not need to be locked because the Frotee loopy yarn prevents the stitches from opening. However, the loop stitch may stretch in use.

**Instructions:** Crochet a foundation chain of 58 sts with white yarn with hook number 8,0 mm.

**Row 1 (RS):** Crochet 1 sc in the 2nd ch from the hook, 6 sc, change to black yarn, crochet 9 front loop stitches, change to white yarn, crochet 28 sc, change to black yarn, crochet 9 front ls on, change to white yarn, crochet 4 sc and turn.

**Row 2 (BS):** 1 ch, 4 sc with white, change to black and crochet 9 back loop stitches, change to white, crochet 28 sc, change to black, crochet 9 back ls, change to natural white yarn and crochet 7 sc.

**Rows 3-76:** Crochet according to the chart. Cut and finish off the yarns. Next, edge the rug with yellow yarn.

**Edging, Row 1 (RS):** Attach the yellow yarn with a chain stitch to the bottom right corner, include the white yarn and carry it inside the sts, then crochet with the hook number 9,0 mm 1 sc in each row on the long sides = 76 sc. Continue by crocheting 2 extra sc in each corner, 56 sc at the ends of the rug, and finally 1 sl st to the 1st ch.

**Row 2:** Crochet 1 ch and 1 sc in the same place, carry the white yarn inside the sts, crochet 1 sc in each stitch and 1 extra sc in the corners. Cut the white yarn.

**Row 3:** Crochet 1 sl st in each stitch. Cut and finish off the yarnsills.



