

# MEADOW STAR – BORDER – PART 2

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A border will complete your blanket. It is also necessary, because Tunisian crochet will curl and a border will help to reduce the curling. Of course, you are free to add any border you like. Last week I gave you 2 options, 1 in Standard Crochet and one in Tunisian Crochet - This week's border features the Tunisian in the Round technique which uses a double ended hook.

	My choice	Annemiek's choice
Forward pass	Green	Dark green
Return pass	Salmon	White

## TUNISIAN IN THE ROUND BORDER

We will use a variety of Tunisian Stitches as well as the TSS (Tunisian Simple Stitch) used throughout the main blanket. Here is a short explanation of the stitches.

### *TUNISIAN PURL STITCH (TPS)*

Yarn in front of your work, insert hook as a TSS (Tunisian Simple Stitch), yarn back in normal position and pull up a loop

#### **YOUTUBE LINK:**

Right handed : <https://youtu.be/d8Yt1xrYJew>

Left handed : [https://youtu.be/P4HuDve\\_Sml](https://youtu.be/P4HuDve_Sml)

### *TUNISIAN KNIT STITCH (TKS)*

Insert your hook from front to back, from right to left, between the 2 vertical (back and front bar) bars of the stitch and pull up a loop

#### **YouTube link:**

Right handed : <https://youtu.be/OAmDsA5vW-w>

Left handed : <https://youtu.be/RPAqeTI-U9k>

### *TUNISIAN REVERSE STITCH (TRS)*

Works as the TSS but on the backside of your work.

Insert your hook on the backside of your work under the next vertical bar and pull up a loop

#### **YouTube link:**

Right handed : <https://youtu.be/MZ0-apDELEU>

Left handed : <https://youtu.be/nJ37NS0sYfc>

## TUNISIAN STAR STITCH (STAR)

- Insert your hook under the next 3 bars and pull up a loop,
- Yarn over (YO),
- Insert again under the same 3 bars and pull up a loop

Basically, you make 3 stitches out of 3 stitches together.

### YouTube link:

Right handed : <https://youtu.be/l6UpCvhhj0Y>

Left handed : <https://youtu.be/9-RdIFB6GmY>



## READING A TUNISIAN CHART

I have included a chart for this border. If you have never seen a Tunisian chart this is how you read one.

- Every little square is a stitch (numbers at the bottom and on top).
- A row or round has 2 lines, forward pass (numbers to the right) and return pass (numbers to the left).
- I always use a different color for the first and the last stitch, they are the border stitches. The first one is already on the hook and for the last one you will always pick up 2 threads on the hook.
- You 'read' the forward pass from right to left and the return pass from left to right.

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	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	

On the next page you are given a small part of the chart. It is only 1 side and you will need to repeat it a total of 4 times to complete the round. On the first row, you will see the number (154) that is the total number of stitches you need to pick up between the corner stitches (TKS, YO, TKS).

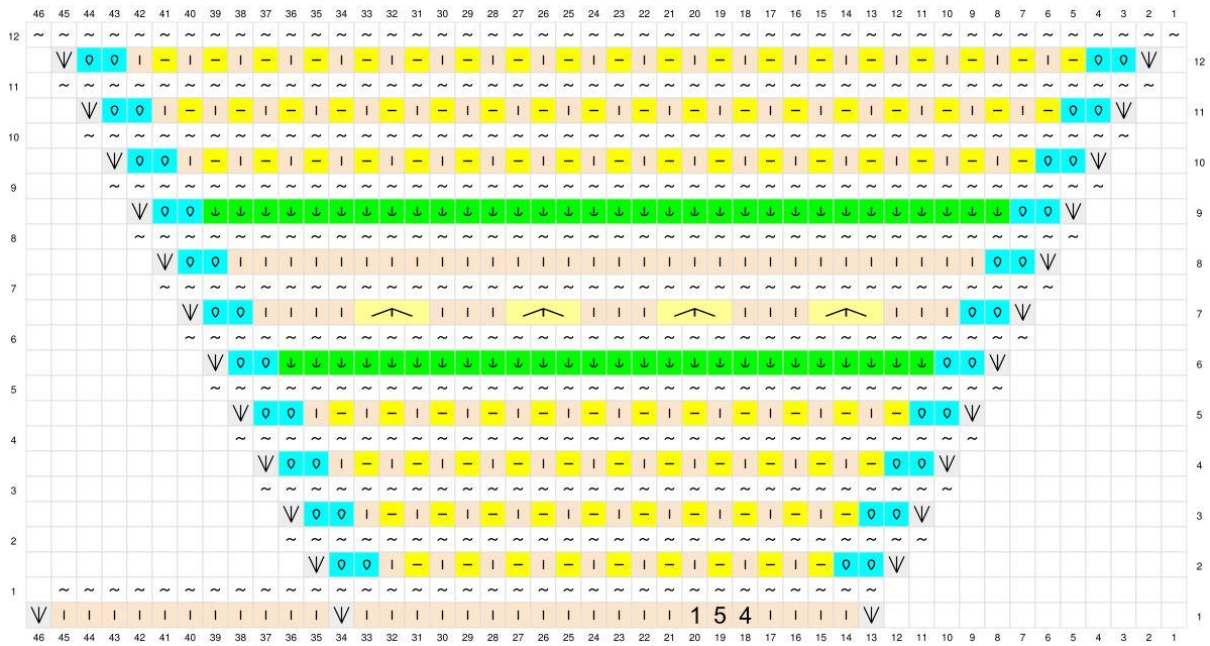
You need a **double ended hook** 1.0 mm smaller than the hook used for the blanket.

For Tunisian in the Round you will use 2 skeins of yarn at the same time. You can choose the same color for both, but if this technique is new to you it is much easier to use 2 different colors. I suggest the darker green as main color and the white or light green as the contrast color. Rather than picking up the loops for the whole row/round, Tunisian in the Round works in smaller sections--picking up a small number of loops and doing the return pass for those loops before picking up more loops...all the way around the blanket.









**NOTE:**

- Watch your tension carefully, if it pulls go up a hook size or two, if it is really loose, go down another hook size.
- Use a colored stitch marker in the first corner, and a different color for the remaining 3 corners—which helps to have your corners identified each round, and the starting corner of each round specifically.





Abbreviation	Name
TKS	Tun Knit Stitch
TRS	Tun Reverse Stitch
TSS	Tun Simple Stitch
TPS	Tun Purl Stitch
YO	Yarn Over

-  No stitch
-  return
-  Corner
-  TKS
-  TRS
-  TSS
-  TPS
-  Starstitch



### Youtube link:

Right handed : <https://youtu.be/8nc9RWFab4E>

Left handed : <https://youtu.be/DvCtdlJyiV8>

## FIRST ROUND (FOUNDATION ROW)

Start with the main color at one of the corners. Pick up loops by inserting your hook from front to back, make sure the right side of the blanket is towards you.



### FIRST CORNER/FORWARD PASS

- Attach yarn in a corner (1 loop on hook)
- YO (2 loops) you may wish to place a stitch marker (use a different color from the rest!)
- Insert hook in same corner stitch and pull up a loop (3 loops)
- Insert hook in next stitch and pull up a loop, repeating 4 more times on first square
- Continue picking up a loop in every stitch, (pick up 5 loops per square)



WHEN YOUR HOOK IS FULL OF LOOPS YOU NEED TO MAKE THE RETURN PASS.

### RETURN PASS

Turn your work (wrong side facing you) and use the other end of your hook. Using the second skein of yarn (lighter color than the forward pass) you will first pull through 1 loop, then pull through 2 loops for all remaining stitches.

Make sure you leave **at least 5 loops** on the hook or your loop(s) will stretch too large.

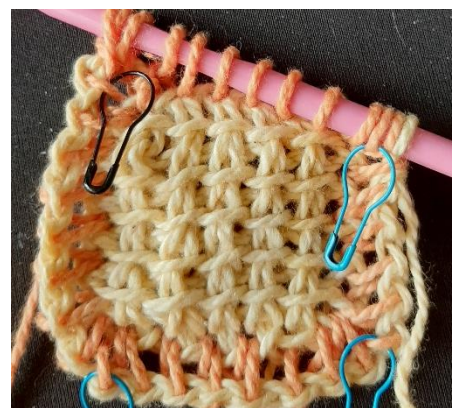


**IT IS IMPORTANT TO BE CONSISTENT WITH YOUR TENSION ON YOUR RETURN PASS!**

### OTHER CORNERS (TKS, YO, TKS)

Insert hook into the corner stitch (TKS) and pull up a loop, YO, insert in the same stitch (TKS) and pull up a loop.

**YOU WILL HAVE ONE MORE LOOP ON THE LAST SQUARE OF THE SIDE THAN THE FIRST SQUARE!**



## ROUND 2 – HONEYCOMB

- Insert your hook into the first stitch of the previous round like a TKS
- \*Make a corner in the next stitch (YO of the previous round)
- Make 2 TKS
- TPS, TSS, TPS, TSS repeat until 2 stitches before the corner-stitch (YO of previous round) 2 TKS\*
- Repeat \* - \* 3 more times, omitting 1 TKS at end of final repeat



Every corner is the same. Every corner contains **2 TKS, CORNER (TKS, YO, TKS) in YO of previous round, 2 TKS**

### Tip:

Move your stitch markers. Place them around the return stitch in the YO of the first round.

## ROUND 3/4/5 – HONEYCOMB

Repeat Round 2

You start every new round and after every corner with a TPS.

## ROUND 6 - TRS

Repeat the corners.

Make a complete row of TRS.



## ROUND 7 – STAR STITCH + 3 TSS

Repeat the corners.

In this round we will make 3 TSS, Star Stitch and will end the row with 4 TSS.

## ROUND 8 - TSS

Repeat the corners.

Make a complete row of TSS.



## ROUND 9 – TRS

Repeat the corners.

Make a complete row of TRS.



## ROUND 10/11/12 – HONEYCOMB

Repeat Round 2

## BIND OFF

Make all of the return stitches. Choose which color you want to work with for the bind off round (main color is suggested, but it can be your preference). Insert your hook and pull through 2 loops on the hook. To finish the round you need to make an extra slip stitch into the first bind off stitch and fasten off.

