Daisy Farm Crafts

Crochet Checkerboard Lines Blanket



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MATERIALS

Red Heart Soft (100% acrylic, 283 g/10 oz, 2469 m/513 yds)
4 skeins Seafoam, 2 skeins White
Size I/5.5mm hook, scissors, tapestry needle
Optional Link to YouTube Video Tutorial: https://youtu.be/LbkM88RjcRM

SIZE

Finished size 32 in x 35 in Gauge 4 in = 12 st and 16 rows of HHDC

STITCHES

Single Crochet (SC): Insert your hook, pull up a loop, yarn over (YO) and pull through both loops.

Herringbone Half Double Crochet (HHDC): YO, insert your hook, pull up a loop and pull directly through first loop on hook. Then YO and pull through remaining loops on hook.

PATTERN

Chain 112 with Seafoam. (To make your blanket bigger or smaller, chain any multiple of 10, then add 2.)

Row 1: Starting in the 3rd chain from the hook, work 1 row of HHDC. Chain 2 and turn.

Row 2: Work 1 row of HHDC. (The turning chain does not count as a stitch, so when you start a new row, you insert your hook directly into the top of the last stitch of the previous row). When you reach the end of row 2, pull through with White. Don't cut the Seafoam. Chain 1 and turn.

Row 3: Work 10 SCs with White, carrying the Seafoam along the top of your work and crocheting over it as you go. On the 10th stitch, pull through with Seafoam before you finish the stitch. Then work 10 SCs with Seafoam and carry White along the top of your work. Continue switching between Seafoam and White every 10 stitches, always carrying whichever yarn you aren't using along the top of your work. When you reach the end of the row, chain 1 and turn with White.

Note: The best way to keep your yarn from getting twisted while carrying yarn is to always keep one color to the front and one to the back. For this blanket I chose to keep White to the front - so every time I switched from White to Seafoam, I folded my White yarn over the top of my work first, and then pulled through with Seafoam. And whenever I stopped using Seafoam, I just left it to the back and then pulled through with White. If that doesn't make sense, please see the video above!

Row 4: Repeat row 3. When you reach the end of the row, pull through with Seafoam on the last stitch and chain 2 and turn. Don't cut the White - leave it so you can pick it back up and carry it up the edge when you get back to that side of the blanket.

Rows 5 - 6: Work 2 rows of HHDC in Seafoam. At the end of row 5, chain 2 and turn. At the end of row 6, pull through White, then chain 1 and turn.

Rows 7 - 8: Repeat rows 3 and 4.

Rows 9 - 10: Work 2 rows of HHDC in Seafoam. At the end of row 9, chain 2 and turn. At the end of row 10, pull through White, then chain 1 and turn.

Rows 11 - 12: Repeat rows 3 and 4.

Rows 13 - 14: Work 2 rows of HHDC in Seafoam. At the end of row 13, chain 2 and turn. At the end of row 14, chain 1 and turn.

Row 15: Work 10 SCs in Seafoam, pulling White up the side from below and carrying it along the top of your work. On the 10th stitch, pull through White. Work 10 SCs in White, carrying Seafoam along the top of your work. Continue switching between Seafoam and White every 10 stitches, always carrying whichever yarn you aren't using along the top of your work. At the end of the row chain 1 and turn.

Row 16: Repeat row 15. At the end of the row, chain 2 and turn.

Rows 17 - 18: Work 2 rows of HHDC in Seafoam. At the end of row 17, chain 2 and turn. At the end of row 18, chain 1 and turn.

Rows 19 - 20: Repeat rows 15 - 16.

Rows 21 - 22: Work 2 rows of HHDC in Seafoam. At the end of row 21, chain 2 and turn. At the end of row 22, chain 1 and turn.

Rows 23 - 24: Repeat rows 15 - 16.

Rows 25 - 26: Work 2 rows of HHDC in Seafoam. At the end of row 25, chain 2 and turn. At the end of row 26, pull through white White, then chain 1 and turn.

Repeat rows 3 - 26 until you reach your desired length, ending your blanket with 2 rows of HHDC in Seafoam.

(I finished my blanket with 112 rows total.)

BORDER

Round 1: Pull up a loop in any corner and chain 1. SC around the blanket, working 3 SCs into each corner. When you reach the corner you started with, slip stitch into the starting stitch, then chain 2 and turn.

Round 2: Work a HHDC in each stitch around the blanket, and 3 HHDCs in each corner stitch. When you reach the corner you started with, slip stitch into the starting stitch, then chain 2 and turn.

Round 3: Work a HHDC in each stitch around the blanket, and 3 HHDCs in each corner stitch. When you reach the corner you started with, slip stitch into the corner and tie off.

After I finished my blanket I laid it out on some foam mats and pinned the corners. Then I got it wet with a spray bottle and let it dry overnight.