

Daisy Farm Crafts

Crochet Flower Puffs Baby Blanket



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MATERIALS

Caron Simply Soft (100% acrylic, 170 g/6 oz, 288 m/315 yds)

4 skeins Gray Heather, 1 skein each Robin's Egg, Gold, Persimmon

Size H/5.00mm hook, tapestry needle, scissors

Optional Link to YouTube Video Tutorial: <https://youtu.be/V64STcKiitQ>

SIZE

Finished size 30 in x 33 in

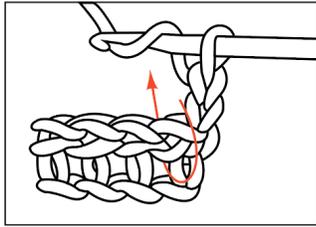
Gauge 4 in = 14 st and 15 rows of WHDC

STITCHES

Half Double Crochet (HDC): Yarn over (YO), insert your hook, YO and pull up a loop, YO and pull through three loops.

Puff Stitch: *YO, insert your hook in between the posts, pull up a loop. Repeat from * 3 more times (inserting your hook into the same space). Then YO and pull through all the loops on your hook.

Wide Half Double Crochet (WHDC): YO, insert your hook between stitch posts, YO and pull up a loop, YO and pull through three loops.



PATTERN

With Gray, **chain 97.** (This is the base chain for four flowers across. If you'd like to make it bigger and have five flowers across, chain 117. If you'd like six flowers across, chain 135.)

Row 1: Starting in the 3rd chain from the hook, work 1 HDC in each chain. CH 2 and turn.

Rows 2 through 15: Work 14 rows of WHDC, chaining 2 and turning at the end of each row. (From now on for the rest of the blanket you will always be inserting your hook in between the posts, even when working puffs.)

Row 16: Work 1 WHDC in each of the first 16 stitches, and on the 16th stitch, pull through with Persimmon. Then work 1 puff stitch, carrying gray behind your work. Before you complete the puff stitch, pull through with Gray. Work 1 WHDC with Gray, carrying Persimmon behind your work, and pull through Persimmon before you finish the stitch. Work 1 more puff stitch with Persimmon, and pull through with gray before you finish the stitch.

*Now work 1 WHDC in each of the next 17 stitches in Gray, carrying Persimmon behind your work. Then work two puff stitches in Persimmon with a Gray WHDC stitch in between them, carrying whichever yarn you aren't using behind your work. Repeat from * 2 more times. End the row with 16 WHDC's in Gray. (You can stop carrying the Persimmon after you finish the last two puffs and leave a tail to weave in later.) CH 2 and turn.

Row 17: Work 1 row of WHDC in Gray, inserting your hook in between the posts and underneath the Persimmon yarn you carried along the row below. This helps to hide it on both sides. When you are crocheting over the puffs from the row below, insert your hook on either side of them, just like they are posts. CH 2 and turn.

Row 18: *Work 15 WHDCs in Gray, then one puff stitch with Persimmon, then one WHDC in Gray, then one puff stitch in Persimmon, then one WHDC in Gray, then one puff stitch in Persimmon, always carrying whichever yarn you aren't using behind your work. Repeat from * 3 more times. End the row with 15 WHDCs in Gray. CH 2 and turn.

Row 19: Repeat row 17.

Row 20: Repeat row 16.

Rows 21 - 35: Work 15 rows of WHDC in between the posts with Gray. (On row 21 be sure to insert your hook underneath the Persimmon yarn to keep it from showing through.)

Repeat rows 16 through 35 four more times, switching colors for each set of flowers. End the blanket with 15 rows of WHDC in between the posts with gray.

BORDER

After you weave in all your ends with a tapestry needle, pull up a loop in any corner and chain 2. Half double crochet around the edge of the blanket, working 3 HDC's into the corners.

*When you reach the corner you started with, slip stitch into the start stitch, then chain 2 and turn. Work another round of HDC around the blanket, working 3 HDCs into the corners (for this I just did regular HDC, not in between the posts.) Repeat from * one more time, or until you reach your desired border thickness. When you reach the corner you started with, slip stitch into the corner and tie off.

After I finished my border, I got my blanket wet and laid it out on some foam board. Then I pinned the sides and corners to block it and let it dry overnight.

xo, Hannah