Daisy Farm Crafts

Improv Crochet Clouds Blanket



Pattern by Hannah Brown McKay

MATERIALS

Bernat Baby Velvet (100% polyester, 300 g/10.5 oz, 450 m/492 yds)
2 skeins Sky Blue, 2 skeins Snowy White
Size H/5.00mm hook, tapestry needle, scissors
Optional Link to YouTube Video Tutorial: https://youtu.be/9uyMlX2D0f4

SIZE

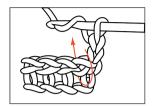
Finished size 28 in x 28 in (stroller blanket size)

STITCHES

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

Double Crochet (DC): YO, insert your hook, YO and pull up a loop, YO and pull through two loops, YO and pull through remaining two loops.

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



Front and Back Post Double Crochet (FPDC & BPDC): A front post DC means you insert your hook from front to back around the post of the next DC and work your DC. A back post DC means you insert your hook from the back to the front and work a DC.

PATTERN

With Sky Blue, chain 100.

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

Row 2: Work 1 WHDC in each space across the row. Introduce the white yarn whenever you'd like by pulling through on the last step of the stitch. Crochet over the yarn not in use, pull it snuggly along and before you change colors give it another tug to make sure it is laying flat against the row. CH 2 and turn.

Repeat row 2 for the remainder of the blanket. Always chain 2 at the end of each row. Work your color changes as you wish. Be sure to keep one color to the front of your work and one to the back to avoid twisting the yarn. (See video above if you need a demonstration of this.)

BORDER

Weave in all ends before beginning. Pull up. a loop in any corner and chain 2. Work 1 round of DC around the blanket, working 3 DCs into each corner space and still inserting your hook between the posts. Work 1 DC per row as you work across the sides.

Do not join the rounds or turn. In the starting corner, finish the round with 3 DC into that corner, then around the next DC (skip the chain 2) work a FPDC, then a BPDC around the next DC. Continue alternating FP and BP double crochet. When you arrive at the first corner, around the middle post of the 3 DC, work 3 alternating FP or BP, (whichever way you had landed, it could be BP, FP, BP) around the center post.

Then continue on alternating as before. Do not join the round, just continue for 1 more round. (Or however many rounds you'd like.) Join on the final round with a slip stitch to the first DC and weave in the ends.