

Daisy Farm Crafts

Crochet Green Gingham Blanket



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MATERIALS

Patons Canadiana (100% acrylic, 100 g/3.5 oz, 187 m/205 yds)

3 skeins Dark Green Tea, 3 skeins Medium Green Tea, 2 skeins Pale Gray Mix

Size H/5.00mm hook, size I/5.5mm hook

Scissors, tapestry needle

Optional Link to YouTube Video Tutorial: <https://youtu.be/DsrjATt1Kqw>

SIZE

Finished size 35 in x 33 in

STITCHES

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

Half Double Slip Stitch (HDSS): YO, insert your hook, YO, pull up a loop and pull directly through loops on hook.

PATTERN

This pattern uses the Griddle Stitch which is alternating Single Crochet (SC) and Double Crochet (DC) and on the next row, SC are worked into the tops of DC, and DC are worked into the tops of SC. Always chain (CH) 1 at the end of every row. Every row will start with a SC and end with a DC. You will pull through with a new color every 6 stitches.

With a size I hook, chain 115 in Dark Green Tea. (Pattern repeat is 6 times any odd number plus 1. This will allow you to make the blanket any size you'd like. The starting chain is for the width of the blanket.)

ROW 1: *Single Crochet (SC) in the second chain from the hook. In the next chain (CH), work one Double Crochet (DC.) Repeat from * in the next 4 stitches for a total of six. However, before finishing the sixth stitch, (which will be a DC) join and pull through with Medium Green Tea. Continue the griddle stitch for the next 6 stitches, carrying the Dark Green strand along the row. Continue the griddle stitch across the row switching colors every 6 stitches and carrying the color not in use along the row. CH 1 and turn.

Tip: Keep one color to the front of your work, and one color to the back of your work to keep the yarns from twisting.

ROWS 2 - 4: Continue the Griddle Stitch and alternating between the Dark Tea Green and Medium Green Tea. Keep in mind that you will always be changing colors on a DC. When you get to the end of the row, CH one and turn. Bring the yarn being carried around the side and make sure you are working over the yarn. Start every row with a SC. You will be working into the top of the last DC you made from the row below. Begin alternating the stitches as before.

Tip: Give the yarn being carried through a little tug before you pull through and start using it as the new color. This will help hide the yarn and keep it from popping through your work. You want the yarn not in use to be laying as flat as possible along the row.

ROWS 5 - 8: At the end of row 4, pull through with Medium Green Tea, and drop Dark Green Tea. (Do not cut Dark Green Tea, you will carry this yarn up the side and use it again in Rows 9-12) Continue the Griddle Stitch across the first 6 stitches working into the Dark Green Tea with Medium Green Tea. Join and pull through with Pale Grey Mix on the sixth stitch. Work the next 6 stitches using Pale Grey Mix and carrying the Medium Green Tea along the row. Work the Griddle Stitch and continue switching colors every 6 stitches. Ch 1 and turn after every row.

Tip: You are always pulling through with a new color on a DC.

At the end of ROW 8, drop the Pale Grey Mix and pull through with Dark Green Tea, gently pulling the yarn up the side of the work. Do not cut the Pale Grey Mix, when you are ready to use this color again, you will carry it up the side of your work and along the first block of color.

Continue switching blocks of color every 4 rows to achieve the gingham pattern for 21 blocks of color high or 84 rows.

BORDER

Round 1: With Dark Green Tea, work SC into each stitch and one into the end of each row on the sides. Work 3 SC into each corner. Join the round with a slip stitch and chain 9.
CHANGE to a smaller hook.

Round 2: *Work 1 Half Double Slip Stitch (also called a yarn over slip stitch) into each chain. (8) Slip stitch once to the base row. Turn and work HDSS into each HDSS. (work under both loops) CH 1 and turn. Repeat from * working along the side of the blanket.

Tip: You may slip stitch across two single crochets on the edge of the blanket and in between rows if your border is fanning. Keep an eye on your work and adjust accordingly.

To work the corners, now you will want to fan the work. To do this, instead of slip stitching once into the SC stitches, you'll work out and return to the base row and slip stitch into the same stitch.

You will want to start working 2 times in the SC that is before the 3 SC's that make the corner, twice into the next SC and in the middle stitch that makes the corner, you will work out and back and slip stitch into the same stitch 3 times. Then work 2 times out and back into the next stitch, and do the same to the next. (If this still doesn't fan enough for you around the corner, feel free to do more, or if you feel like this was too much fan, you can do less.)

When you have completed around the whole blanket, work as close as you can to the starting chain, then tie off and use your tapestry needle to sew the two ends together. Tie off and weave in all the ends.

xo, Tiffany