# Daisy Farm Crafts

Crochet Sedge Stripes Baby Blanket



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## **MATERIALS**

Red Heart Soft Essentials (100% acrylic, 141 g/5 oz, 120 m/131 yds) 3 skeins White, 1 skein Peony, 3 skeins Greyhound Size J/6.00mm hook, tapestry needle, scissors

### SIZE

Finished size 30 in x 32 in

## **STITCHES**

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

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

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

#### **PATTERN**

With Gray, chain 99. (To make your blanket bigger or smaller, start with a chain that is any multiple of 3.)

**ROW 1:** In the second chain from the hook, HDC (half double crochet) and a DC (double crochet), skip two chains and in the next work SC, HDC, DC. Skip two chains and repeat "SC, HDC, DC" into the next space. Repeat across to the end and there is one chain left. Work 1 SC and turn.

**ROW 2:** Chain one (this counts as your first SC), HDC and DC into the top of the SC you just made. Skip over the DC and HDC, "SC, HDC, DC" into the SC. You'll always be looking for the SC to do your "SC, HDC, DC" into. Repeat the pattern across ending the last stitch with one single crochet. Chain one and turn.

Repeat row 2 for the remainder of the blanket.

Here's how I did my color changes: 8 rows Greyhound, 4 rows White, 2 rows Peony, 2 rows White, 4 rows Greyhound, 2 rows White, 4 rows Peony, 4 rows White, 4 rows Greyhound, 2 rows White, 2 rows Peony, 4 rows White, 4 rows Greyhound, 2 rows White, 4 rows Greyhound, 2 rows White, 2 rows Peony, 4 rows White, 8 rows Greyhound.

When changing colors, you want to pull through with the new color on the last SC of the row. Pull through with the new color just before you finish the stitch, when you still have two loops on your hook. Then cut off the old color, leaving about a six inch tail that you can weave into the blanket with a tapestry needle later.

When you are finished with the blanket, tie off and weave in ends.

I decided to not do a border on this one. The sides of the blanket have a nice texture and I didn't think a border was necessary.

To smooth out the blanket and ensure its shape, you may want to block it by using a spray bottle filled with water and getting the blanket wet. Smooth out the blanket and leave it to dry.

-Nicolina