Daisy Farm Crafts

Crochet Simple Pink Baby Blanket



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MATERIALS

Red Heart Soft Yarn (100% acrylic / 283 g/10 oz, 469 meters/513 yards) 3 skeins Rose Blush, 1 skein of White Size I/5.5mm hook, tapestry needle, scissors

SIZE

Finished size 34 in x 38 in Gauge 4 in = 14 st and 16 rows

STITCHES

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

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

Slip Stitch (SL ST): Inset your hook, YO, pull the first loop on your hook through the second.

PATTERN

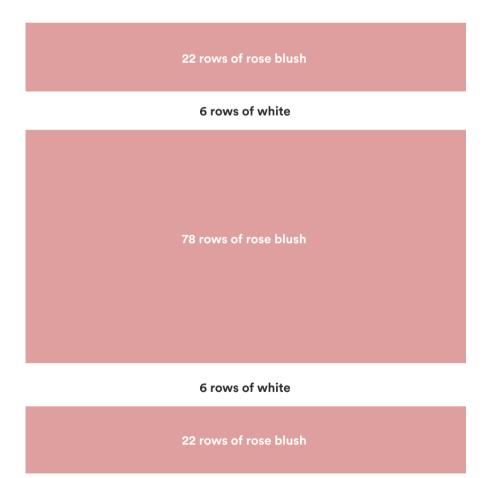
Chain 130 in Rose Blush. (If you'd like to make your blanket bigger or smaller, chain an even number.)

ROW 1: In the second chain from the hook, work one SC. Then HDC in the next chain. Alternate an SC and an HDC until the end of the row. The last stitch should be a SC. Chain 2 and turn.

ROW 2: SC into the SC you just made then HDC into the HDC. Alternate again all the way across your row. Always SC into an SC, always HDC into an HDC. Always chain 2 and turn.

To change colors: On your last stitch in the row, insert your hook into the stitch, YO and pull through stitch. There should be two loops on your hook. This is where you lay the new color over your hook and pull through both loops to finish the stitch with your new color. Make sure to leave at least a 6 to 9 inch tail when you cut the previous color.

Here's how I did my color changes: 22 rows of Rose Blush, 6 rows of White, 78 rows of Rose Blush, 6 rows of White, 22 rows of Rose Blush



BORDER

Weave in all ends with your tapestry needle.

With Rose Blush, pull up a loop in any corner and chain one. Work 2 Half Double Crochet (HDC) into every other stitch, work 3 HDC into the corner spaces. Join with a slip stitch at the end of the row to the first HDC.

Working in the same direction, chain 9, In the third chain from the hook, work HDC and then work HDC into each chain for a total of 7 HDC. Slip stitch into the next stitch that is on the border and the next stitch, turn, skip over the slip stitches and work 7 HDC into the back loops of the HDC you just made down the chain. CH 2 and turn. Work 7 back loop only HDC back down to the edge of the blanket, slip stitch into the next two spaces. Repeat in this manner down the side of the blanket.

When you reach the corner, instead of slip stitching over two times, slip stitch into the corner space three times in a row. Meaning, after you work up and down the HDC's, slip stitch back into the same corner space, repeating three times. This will fan the work around the corner. Then you return to slip stitching over the next two spaces.

When you have gone all the way around the blanket, finish the last corner by slip stitching 3 times into the same space, then end on the outside edge of the blanket. Tie off leaving a long tail. Sew the last edge to the first edge of the border. Then weave in all remaining ends.

xo, Nicolina

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