

Daisy Farm Crafts

Crochet Sea Stripes Baby Blanket



Pattern by Hannah Brown McKay

MATERIALS

Bernat Forever Fleece yarn (100% polyester, 280 g/9.9 oz, 177 m/194 yds)
2 skeins Balsam, 1 skein each of Juniper, Dark Eucalyptus, Sage and White Noise
Size M/N/9.00mm hook, tapestry needle, scissors
Optional Link to YouTube Video: <https://youtu.be/0yPl-gVRLe4>

SIZE

Finished size 34 in x 38 in
Gauge 4 in = 9 st and 8 rows of pattern

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.

Slip Stitch: Insert your hook, YO, pull up a loop and pull directly through loop on hook.

PATTERN

With Balsam, **chain 66** (or any even number).

ROW 1: Starting in the 2nd chain from the hook, work a SC. *Work a DC into the next stitch, then a SC into the next stitch. Repeat from * to the end of the row. CH 1 and turn.

ROW 2: Work a SC into the last SC from previous row. Work a DC into next DC, then work a SC into next SC. Continue alternating DC and SC across the row. You should always work a DC into the top of a DC and SC into the top of a SC from the row below. CH 1 and turn.

Repeat row 2 for the remainder of the blanket, working the color changes as follows: *4 rows Balsam, 4 rows Juniper, 4 rows Dark Eucalyptus, 4 rows Sage, 4 rows White Noise. Repeat from * 2 more times.

To change colors at the end of a row, stop on your last SC when you still have two loops on your hook, and pull through with the new color. Cut the old color, leaving a long tail you can weave into the blanket later. Then CH 1 with the new color and turn. When you've finished your last row, tie off and weave in all ends before beginning the border.

BORDER

Round 1: Pull up a loop in any corner and chain 1. Work one round of SC around the blanket, working 1 stitch per row on the sides of the blanket and 3 SCs into each corner. When you reach the corner you started with, work your last SC, then slip stitch into the starting stitch.

Round 2: Continuing on in the same direction, chain 4 (or any number if you'd like your border wider). Starting in the second chain from the hook, work a SC in each of the 3 chains back toward the edge of the blanket. Slip stitch into the next space, and in the next space. Turn and work in the back loops of each of the 3 SC you just made. CH 1 and turn. Work back down and SC in the back loops only. (Be careful not to miss the 3rd stitch, it sometimes pulls tight and is hard to see.)

In the first of the three stitches that make the corner, only slip stitch once, before turning and working the SC back up to the edge. Return and slip stitch into the corner space. Turn and work the SC back up to the edge. When you return to the corner space, slip stitch again into the same corner space, then work the SC up to the edge. Upon returning, slip stitch one more time into the same corner space for a total of 3 times, before moving on.

When you reach the corner you started with, slip stitch into the corner and tie off, leaving yourself a long tail, then use the tail to sew the sides of the corners together with a tapestry needle.

xo, Hannah