

# Daisy Farm Crafts

## Easy Crochet Crunch Stitch Baby Blanket



### MATERIALS

Caron All Day Cotton yarn (100% cotton, 100 g/3.5 oz, 158 m/173 yds)

6 skeins Country Blue

Size H/5.00mm hook, tapestry needle, scissors

### SIZE

Finished size 29 in x 33 in

Gauge 4 in = 13 st and 13 rows of pattern

### STITCHES

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

**Treble Crochet (TC):** YO twice, insert your hook, YO and pull up a loop, YO and pull through two loops, YO and pull through two loops, YO and pull through two remaining loops.

**Slip Stitch (SL ST):** Insert your hook, YO, pull up a loop and pull directly through loop on hook.

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

## PATTERN

**Chain 100** (or any even number).

**Row 1:** Starting in the 2nd chain from the hook, work 1 SC in each chain. CH 1 and turn.

**Row 2:** Work 1 SC in the first stitch. \*Work 1 TC in the next stitch, and 1 SC in the next stitch. Repeat from \* across the row. CH 1 and turn.

**Row 3:** Work 1 SC in each stitch across the row.

**Repeat rows 2 and 3** until you have 89 rows total (88 treble rows). After the last row you can either tie off and weave in your ends, or CH 1 and start working down the side of your blanket for the border.

## BORDER

**Round 1:** Work 1 round of SC around the blanket, working 3 SC into each corner. Work 1 SC per row on the sides and 1 SC per stitch on the sides. When you reach the starting corner, slip stitch into the starting stitch and CH 5.

**Round 2:** Starting in the 2nd chain from the hook, work HDSS in each of the 4 chains back toward the edge of the blanket. \*Slip stitch into the next stitch, and in the next stitch. Turn and work HDSS in the back loops of each of the 4 HDSS you just made. CH 1 and turn. Work back down the HDSS in the back loops only. (From now on, always work in the back loop of each HDSS.) Repeat from across \* each side.

**Corners:** When you reach a corner space, only slip stitch once, before turning and \*working HDSS back up to the top of the border. Return and slip stitch once into the corner space. Repeat from \* two more times, then resume slip stitching into each of the next two stitches and working across the side.

*(If your corner isn't looking rounded enough, you can slip stitch an additional time into the corner and work up and down an extra time with HDSS, or if it is causing the border to ripple, you can slip stitch into the corner only two times instead of three.)*

When you reach the starting corner, work the corner the same way as previous corners. Stop when you get to the top of the border and tie off, then use a tapestry needle to sew corners together.