

Daisy Farm Crafts

Crochet Coastal Pines Baby Blanket



MATERIALS

Bernat Softee Cotton (60% cotton, 40% acrylic, 120 g/4.2 oz, 232 m/254 yds)
3 skeins Cotton

Bernat Cotton Terry (47% cotton, 32% acrylic, 21% nylon, 120 g/4.2 oz, 209 m/229 yds)
2 skeins French Twill, 2 skeins Bayou

Size H/5.00mm hook, tapestry needle, scissors

SIZE

Finished size 34 in x 39 in

Gauge 4 in = 14 st and 14 rows of HHDC

STITCHES

Herringbone Half Double Crochet (HHDC): YO, insert your hook, YO, pull up a loop and pull directly through first loop on hook, YO and pull through remaining two loops.

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

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

PATTERN

With Cotton color, **chain 120** (or any number).

Row 1: Starting in the 2nd chain from the hook, work 1 HHDC in each chain. CH 1 and turn. (Turning chain does not count as a stitch.)

Row 2: Work 1 HHDC in each stitch across the row. CH 1 and turn.

Repeat row 2 for the remainder of the blanket with the following color changes: *4 rows Cotton, 6 rows French Twill, 4 rows Cotton, 6 rows Bayou, 4 rows Cotton. Repeat * until you have 12 total alternating blue and green stripes or your desired length.

To change colors, work the last HHDC of the row until the last step of the stitch. Pull through with new color to finish the stitch and leave a tail to weave into the blanket later. Cut the previous color leaving another tail to weave in later.

(If you like, you can also choose not to cut the cream color yarn and carry it up the side of your work to save time weaving in ends. To do this, simply leave the cream color yarn instead of cutting it, and after you finish a blue or green section, pull the cream yarn up the side of your work so that it lays gently against the side and begin using it again. You'll be able to cover up the carried yarn when you work the border, and you'll only have the blue and green ends to weave in when your blanket is finished.)

BORDER

Round 1: Choose which side of the blanket you like best and make sure it is facing you. Then pull up loop in any corner and CH 1. Work 1 round of SC around the blanket, working 1 SC per row on the sides and 1 SC per stitch on each end. Work 3 SC in each corner.

Round 2: At starting corner, slip stitch into starting stitch, then chain 6. Continue working in same direction. Starting in the 2nd chain from the hook, work a SC in each of the 5 chains back toward the edge of the blanket. Slip stitch into the next stitch, and in the next stitch. Turn and work in the back loops of each of the 5 SC you just made. CH 1 and turn. Work back down and SC in the back loops only. (Be careful not to miss the 5th stitch, it sometimes pulls tight and is hard to see.) Continue repeating around the blanket.

When you reach the corners, *only slip stitch once into the corner, before turning and working back loop SC back up to the top of the border. Return and slip stitch into the corner space. Repeat from * two more times so that your border is neatly fanned around the corner. After finishing the corner, continue working around the blanket as before.

When you reach the corner you started with, work the corner as you did previous corners, then tie off when you are at the top of the border, leaving yourself a long tail. Then use the tail to sew the sides of the corners together with a tapestry needle. Tie off and weave in ends.