



CROCHET
SKILL LEVEL
EASY

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What you will need:

RED HEART® Cutie Pie™: 1 ball each 703 Tulip A, 10 Cotton B, and 503 Splash C

Susan Bates® Crochet Hook:
4mm [US G-6]

Yarn needle, stitch marker, black embroidery floss, polyester fiberfill

GAUGE: Gauge is not critical for this project.



RED HEART® Cutie Pie™, Art E834 available in 3.5 oz (100 g) 326 yd (299 m) balls



Kitty Love Blankie

Oh so soft and cuddly, our Kitty Love is attached to a carry-along blankie with chenille yarn in pretty colors to please baby. It's the perfect size and is quick to make for the next baby shower.

Blanket measures 17" x 17" (43 x 43 cm).

Notes

1. Blanket is made from 4 squares worked in joined rounds with right side facing, then sewn together. Flowers are worked in joined rounds and sewn to center of each square.
2. Kitty is made separately in continuous (spiral) rounds and sewn to center of blanket. Work tightly to ensure that stuffing does not show through stitches. Do not overstuff and stretch stitches so that stuffing is visible.

Special Stitch

sc2tog = [Insert hook in next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop] twice, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

Special Technique

Join with sc = Place a slip knot on hook, insert hook in indicated stitch, yarn over and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through both loops on hook.

BLANKET

Square (make 4)

With **A**, ch 4, join with slip st in first ch to form ring.

Round 1 (right side): Ch 3 (counts as first dc here and throughout), 2 dc in ring, [ch 2, 3 dc in ring] 3 times, ch 2; join with slip st in top of beg ch—12 dc and 4 ch-2 spaces.

Round 2: Slip st in next 2 dc, slip st in first ch-2 space, ch 3, (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same space, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in each ch-2 space around; join with slip st in top of beg ch—eight 3-dc groups and 4 ch-2 spaces.

Round 3: Slip st in next 2 dc, slip st in first ch-2 space, ch 3, (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same space, 3 dc in space between next two 3-dc groups, *(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 space, 3 dc in space between next two 3-dc groups;

repeat from * twice; join with slip st in top of beg ch—36 dc and 4 ch-2 spaces.

Round 4: Ch 3, *dc in each dc to next ch-2 space, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 space; repeat from * 3 times, dc in remaining dc; join with slip st in top of beg ch—52 dc and 4 ch-2 spaces. Fasten off.

Round 5: With right side facing, join **B** with slip st in same st as join; repeat Round 4—68 dc and 4 ch-2 spaces.

Round 6: Repeat Round 4—84 dc and 4 ch-2 spaces. Fasten off.

Round 7: With right side facing, join **C** with slip st in same st as join; repeat Round 4—100 dc and 4 ch-2 spaces. Fasten off.

Round 8: With right side facing, join **B** with sc in in any ch-2 space, 2 sc in same space (corner made), *sc in each dc across to next ch-2 space, 3 sc in next ch-2 space (corner made); repeat from * twice; sc in each remaining dc; join with slip st in first sc—100 sc and four 3-sc corners. Fasten off.

Flower (make 4)

With **B**, ch 3.

Round 1 (right side): Work 10 hdc in 3rd ch from hook (beginning ch do not count as a st); join in back loop of first hdc—10 hdc.

Round 2: Ch 1, working in back loops only, (hdc, dc) in same st as join, (dc, hdc) in next hdc (petal made), *ch 1, (slip st, ch 1, hdc, dc) in next hdc, (dc, hdc) in next back loop (petal made), repeat from * 3 more times, ch 1; join with slip st in first ch—5 petals.

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Round 3: With right side facing, join **C** with a slip st in any unworked front loop, working in front loops only, repeat Round 2. Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing. Sew to center of square.

Border

With **B**, wrong sides held together, and working in inside loops, sew squares together.

Round 1 (right side): With right side facing, join **C** with sc in any st, sc in each st around working 3 sc in center st of each corner; join with slip st in first sc—228 sc.

Round 2: Ch 1, sc in same st as join, sc in next 5 st, *ch 3, hdc in 3rd ch from hook, sc in next 6 sc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in first sc. Fasten off.

KITTY

Head

Beginning at top of head, with **A**, ch 2.

Round 1 (right side): Work 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook—6 sc. Place marker for beginning of round and move marker up as each round is completed.

Round 2: Work 2 sc in each sc around—12 sc.

Round 3: *Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—18 sc.

Round 4: *Sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—24 sc.

Round 5: *Sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—30 sc.

Round 6: Sc in each sc around.

Round 7: *Sc in next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—36 sc.

Round 8: Sc in each sc around.

Round 9: *Sc in next 5 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—42 sc.

Rounds 10–18: Sc in each sc around.

Round 19: *Sc2tog; repeat from * around—21 sc.

Round 20: Sc in each sc around; join with slip st in first sc. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. Do not close end. Stuff firmly with fiberfill.

Ear (make 2)

With **A**, ch 2.

Round 1 (right side): Work 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook—6 sc. Place marker for beginning of round and move marker up as each round is completed.

Round 2: *Sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—8 sc.

Round 3: *Sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—10 sc.

Round 4: Sc in each sc around.

Round 5: *Sc in next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—12 sc.

Round 6: *Sc in next 5 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—14 sc.

Round 7: *Sc in next 6 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—16 sc. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. Hold bottom edge flat and weave tail across, pulling slightly to curl ear. Using photograph as a guide, sew ears in place.

Face

With **B**, ch 2.

Rounds 1–4: Work same as Rounds 1–4 of head—24 sc.

Round 5: Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc, *sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * 4 times, sc in last 2 sc—30 sc. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. With embroidery floss and using photograph as a guide for placement, embroider satin sts for eyes, straight sts for mouth and whiskers. With **A**, embroider satin sts for nose. Sew face on front of head. Sew open edge of head to center of blanket.

Collar

With **C**, ch 25.

Row 1: Dc in 4th ch from hook, 2 dc in each ch across, turn—44 dc.

Row 2: Ch 1, skip first dc, *3 hdc in next dc, [skip next dc, slip st in next dc] twice; repeat from * around. Fasten off leaving a long end for sewing. Sew around neck.

FINISHING

Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

A, B, C = Color **A**, Color **B**, Color **C**, etc.; **ch** = chain; **dc** = double crochet; **hdc** = half double crochet; **sc** = single crochet; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **()** = work directions in parentheses into same st; **[]** = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; * = repeat whatever follows the * as indicated.

