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RED HEART

CROCHET SKILL LEVEL EASY

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What you will need:

RED HEART® Anne Geddes Baby™: 4 balls 411 Dolphin **A**, 1 each 504 Robin **B**, 591 Posy **C**, and 203 Daffodil **D**

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

Yarn needle, stitch marker

GAUGE: 8 sts = 5" (12.5 cm); 10 rows = 4" (10 cm) in star st. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE.** Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.

3 LIGHT

RED HEART® Anne Geddes Baby™, Art. E805 available in solid 3.5 oz (100 g) 340 yd (310 m) and multi 3.5 oz (100 g) 290 yd (265 m) balls

Twinkle Stars Baby Blanket

You'll feel like singing Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star when you wrap this darling blanket around a sweet baby. Star appliques can be made in colors to coordinate with the nursery.

SHOP KIT

Blanket measures 34½" wide x 36½" long (87.5 x 92.5 cm).

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.

Notes
1. Blanket is worked back and forth in 2-row repeats of star stitches. Bases are made in odd-numbered rows and 3 hdc in the top of each base completes the stitches in even-numbered rows.
2. Ch 1 at top of star base closes the stitch. Begin next base in space of same closing stitch.
3. Border is worked in joined rounds with right side facing.
4. Star motifs are worked separately and sewn to blanket. Center of star is made in continuous rounds, then each point is worked in rows.

BLANKET
With A, ch 163.
Row 1 (right side): Insert hook in 2nd ch from hook, yo and pull up a loop, [insert hook in next ch, yo and pull up a loop] 4 times, yo and draw through all 6 loops on hook, ch 1 (first star base made), *insert hook in ch-1 space of star base just made, yo and pull up a loop, insert hook in same ch as last loop made of last star base, yo and pull up a loop, [insert hook in next ch, yo and pull up a loop] 3 times, yo and draw through all 6 loops on hook, ch 1 (star base made); repeat from * across, hdc in last ch, turn—53 star bases and 1 hdc.
Row 2: Ch 2 (does not count as a st), 3 hdc in ch-1 space of each star base, hdc in beginning ch, turn—160 hdc.
Row 3: Ch 3 (does not count as a st), insert hook in 2nd ch from hook, yo and pull up a loop, insert hook in next ch, yo and pull up a loop, [insert hook in next st, yo and pull up a loop] 3 times, yo and draw through all 6 loops on hook, ch 1 (star base made), *insert hook in ch-1 space of star base just made, yo and pull up a loop, insert hook in same st as last loop made of last star base, [insert hook in next st, yo and pull up a loop] 3 times, yo and draw through all 6 loops on hook, ch 1 (star base made); repeat from * across to beginning ch, hdc in top of beginning ch, turn.
Rows 4–87: Repeat Rows 2 and 3 forty-two times.
Row 88: Repeat Row 2. Do not fasten off.

Border
Round 1 (right side): Ch 1, 3 sc in first st (corner made), sc in each st across to last st, 3 sc in last st (corner made); working across ends of rows of first side, sc evenly spaced to first ch; working in opposite side of foundation ch, 3 sc in first ch (corner made), sc in each ch across to last ch, 3 sc in last ch (corner made); working across ends of rows of other side, sc evenly spaced to first sc; join with slip st in first sc.
Round 2: Ch 3 (counts as first dc), 3 dc in next st, *dc in each st to center sc of next corner, 3 dc in center sc of corner; repeat from * around, dc in each remaining st to beginning ch; join with slip st in top of beginning ch.
Round 3: Slip st in each st; join with slip st in first st. Fasten off.

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Star (make 11 – 4 each with B and C and 3 with D)

Center

Ch 2.

Round 1 (right side): Work 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook, do not join—6 sc. Place marker for beginning of round and move marker up as each round is completed.

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

Round 3: *Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st; repeat from * 5 times—18 sc.

Round 4: *Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st; repeat from * 5 times—24 sc.

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

Round 6: *Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st; repeat from * 5 times—36 sc.

Round 7: *Sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st; repeat from * 5 times—42 sc.

Note: Continue in rows.

Point #1

Row 1 (right side): Sc in next 8 sts; leave remaining sts unworked, turn—8 sc.

Row 2: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog, turn—6 sc.

Row 3: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 4: Ch 1, sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog, turn—4 sc.

Row 5: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 6: Ch 1, [sc2tog] twice, turn—2 sc.

Row 7: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 8: Ch 1, sc2tog, turn—1 sc.

Row 9: Ch 1, sc in sc. Fasten off.

Point #2–#5

Row 1: With right side facing, join yarn with sc in last st of previously made point, sc in next 7 sts, turn—8 sc.

Rows 2–9: Work same as Rows 2–9 of point #1.

Point #6

Row 1: With right side facing, join yarn with sc in last st of previously made point, sc in next 6 sts, sc in same st as first st made of point #1, turn—8 sc.

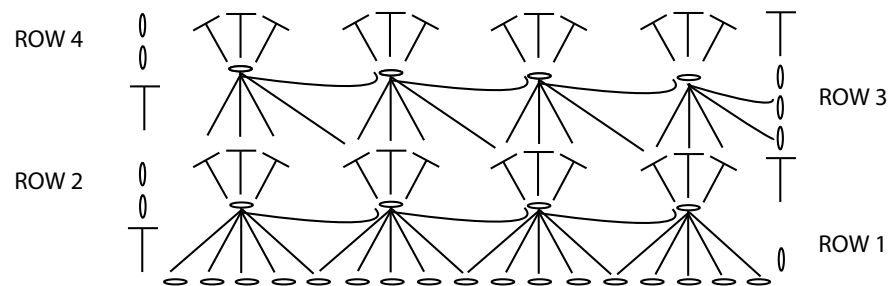**Rows 2–9:** Work same as Rows 2–9 of point #1. Do not fasten off.

Edging

Round 1: Working across ends of rows and in sc at top of each point, sc evenly around; join with slip st in first sc. Fasten off.

FINISHING

Weave in all ends. Using photograph as a guide, sew stars to blanket.

ABBREVIATIONS

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

ROW 4   ROW 3   ROW 2   ROW 1

star base

chain

half double crochet