



Summer Baby Blanket

Crochet the perfect blanket for a special baby. This one is crocheted in pretty shell stitch panels that are joined as you go. If expecting a boy, it would be just as nice in blue instead of pink.

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Blanket measures 35½" wide x 37" long.

RED HEART® "With Love™": 2 skeins 1001 White **A**, 1 skein 1620 Clover **B**, and 2 skeins 1703 Candy Pink **C**.

Crochet Hook: 6mm [US J-10].
Yarn needle.

GAUGE: Rows 1-5 = 4" wide x 3" long. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.**

Special Abbreviations

Shell = 7 dc in space or stitch.

J2 (join ch-2 spaces) = ch 1, remove hook from loop, insert hook from the right side into corresponding ch-2 space and into loop, drawing loop through, ch 1.

J4 (join ch-4 spaces) = ch 2, remove hook from loop, insert hook from the right side into corresponding ch-2 space and into loop, drawing loop through, ch 2.

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First Panel

With **A**, ch 14 loosely.

Row 1 (Wrong Side): Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in next 2 ch, [ch 3, skip next 3 ch, sc in next ch] twice, sc in last 2 ch; turn.

Row 2 (Right Side): Ch 3, skip first sc, dc in next 2 sc, ch 5, sc in next sc, ch 5, dc in last 3 sc; turn.

Row 3: Ch 3, skip first dc, dc in next 2 dc, [ch 3, sc in next ch 5 space] twice, ch 3, dc in next 2 dc and in top of ch-3; turn.

Row 4: Ch 3, skip first dc, dc in next 2 dc, skip next ch-3 space, shell in next ch-3 space, dc in next 2 dc and in top of ch-3; turn.

Row 5: Ch 3, skip first dc, dc in next 2 dc, ch 5, skip next 3 dc, sc in center dc of shell, ch 5, skip next 3 dc of shell, dc in next 2 dc and in top of ch-3; turn.

Rows 6-40: Repeat Rows 3-5 eleven more times, then Rows 3 and 4 once more.

Row 41: Ch 3, skip first dc, dc in next 2 dc, ch 3, skip next 3 dc, sc in center dc of shell, ch 3, skip next 3 dc of shell, dc in next 2 dc and in top of ch-3; turn.

Row 42: Ch 1, sc in first 3 dc, ch 3, sc in next sc, ch 3, sc in next 2 dc and in top of ch-3. Fasten off.

Panel Border

Round 1: With right side facing, join **B** in center sc of last row; ch 1, sc in same sc, 3 sc in next ch-3 space, sc in next 2 sc, (sc, ch 2, sc) in corner sc; *work down left side:* sc in top of and over post of each dc on edge ending with sc in bottom sc; *working in ch across bottom:* (sc, ch 2, sc) in bottom left corner ch, sc in next 2 ch, 3 sc in ch-3 space, sc in center ch, 3 sc in next ch-3 space, sc in next 2 ch, (sc, ch 2, sc) in last ch at bottom right corner; *work up right hand side:* sc in next sc, sc over post of and in top of each dc on edge ending with (sc, ch 2, sc) in top right corner sc, sc in next 2 sc, 3 sc in next ch-3 space; join with a slip st in first sc – 83 sc each side and 13 top and bottom between corner ch-2 spaces. Fasten off.

Round 2: With right side facing, join **C** in the top right corner ch-2 space; ch 1, ** (sc, ch 2, sc) in corner space, ch 1, skip next sc, * sc in next sc, ch 1, skip next sc; repeat from * to corner; repeat from ** around; join.

Round 3: ** (Slip st, ch 4, slip st) in corner ch-2 space, ch 2, * slip st in next ch-1 space, ch 2; repeat from * to corner; repeat from ** around; join in first slip st. Fasten off.

2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th Panels

Work same as for First Panel through Panel Border Round 2.



Arrange panels so that panels 1, 3, and 5 have stitches going up and panels 2 and 4 have stitches going down. Then mark appropriate tops. After the first panel, all others will be joined while working Round 3. The left side of the working panel will be joined to the right side of the completed panel.

Joining Round 3: (Slip st, ch 4, slip st) in corner ch-2 space, ch 2, * slip st in next ch-1 space, ch 2; repeat from * to corner; (slip st, J4, slip st) in corner ch-2 space, J2, ** slip st in next ch-1 space, J2; repeat from ** to corner; (slip st, J4, slip st) in corner ch-2 space; complete round same as for First Panel without more joins. Fasten off at end of Round 3 on all panels except for last panel.

Blanket Border

Rounds 1 and 2: ** (Slip st, ch 4, slip st) in corner ch-4 space, ch 2, * slip st in next space, ch 2; repeat from * to corner; repeat from ** around; join in first slip st.

Round 3: Slip st in corner ch-4 space, ch 1, ** (sc, ch 3, sc) in corner ch-4 space, ch 1, * sc in next ch-2 space, ch 1; repeat from * to corner; repeat from ** around; join in first sc. Fasten off.

Round 4: With right side facing, join **B** in any sc on any side edge away from corner; ch 1, sc in each sc and in each ch-1 space around working (sc, ch 3, sc) in each corner ch-3 space; join to first sc – 105 sc top and bottom and 95 each side. Fasten off.

Round 5: With right side facing, join **A** in 16th sc to the left of right top corner ch-3 space; ch 1, sc in same sc, * ch 1, skip next sc, sc in next sc **; repeat from * to corner; ch 1, skip next sc, (sc, ch 3, sc) in corner ch-3 space; repeat from * to last sc, end at **; ch 1, skip last sc; join to first sc. Round 6: Slip st in next ch-1 space, ch 4 (counts as a dc and ch-1), skip next sc, dc in next ch-1 space, * ch 1, skip next sc, dc in next ch-1 space **; repeat from * to corner; ch 1, skip next sc, (dc, ch 1, dc, ch 2, dc, ch 1, dc) in corner ch-3 space; repeat from * to last sc, end at **; ch 1, skip last sc; join to 3rd ch of ch-4; TURN.

Round 7 (Wrong Side): Ch 1, sc in next ch-1 space, * ch 1, skip next dc, sc in next ch-1 space **; repeat from * to corner; ch 1, skip next dc, (sc, ch 3, sc) in corner ch-2 space; repeat from * to last dc, end at **; ch 1; join to first sc; TURN.

Round 8 (Right Side): Ch 1, sc in next ch-1 space, * ch 1, skip next sc, sc in next ch-1 space **; repeat from * to corner; ch 1, skip next sc, (sc, ch 3, sc) in corner ch-3 space; repeat from * to last sc, end at **; ch 1; join to first sc.

Round 9: Ch 3, dc in next ch-1 space and in each sc and ch-1 space around working (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in each corner ch-3 space; join to top of ch-3. Fasten off.

Round 10: With right side facing, join **B** in 4th dc to the left of any corner; ch 1, sc in same dc, * ch 1, skip next dc,

sc in next dc **; repeat from * to corner; ch 1, skip next dc, (sc, ch 3, sc) in corner ch-2 space; repeat from * to last dc, end at **; ch 1, skip last dc; join to first sc. Fasten off.

Round 11: With right side facing, join **C** in 2nd sc to the left of bottom left corner ch-3 space; ch 1, skipping all ch-1 spaces, sc in same sc; * work across short edge: [skip next sc, shell in next sc, skip next sc, sc in next sc] 7 times, skip next sc, shell in next sc, sc in next sc, [skip next sc, shell in next sc, skip next sc, sc in next sc] 7 times, skip next sc, shell in corner ch-3 space, sc in next sc; work across side edge: [skip next sc, shell in next sc, skip next sc, sc in next sc] 14 times, shell in corner ch-3 space **, skip next sc, sc in next sc; repeat from * around, end at **; join to first sc – 15 shells top and bottom, 14 each side.

Round 12: Ch 1, sc in each st around working (sc, ch 2, sc) in center dc of each shell; join. Fasten off.

Round 13: With right side facing, join **B** in the 6th sc to the left of any corner ch-2 space; ch 1, sc in same sc, * ch 1, skip next sc, sc in next sc, ch 1, skip next sc, (sc, ch 3, sc) in next ch-2 space, [ch 1, skip next sc, sc in next sc] twice, skip next sc, sc in next sc; repeat from * to corner; ch 1, skip next sc, (sc, ch 2, sc) in next sc, ch 1, skip next sc, (sc, ch 2, sc, ch 3, sc, ch 2, sc) in corner ch-2 space, ch 1, skip next sc, (sc, ch 2, sc) in next sc, ch 1, skip next sc, sc in next sc **, skip next sc, sc in next sc; repeat from * around, end at **; skip last sc; join. Fasten off. Weave in ends.



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ABBREVIATIONS: **A, B, C** = color A, B, C; **ch** = chain; **dc** = double crochet; **mm** = millimeters; **sc** = single crochet; **st(s)** = stitch(es); * or ** = repeat whatever follows the * or ** as indicated; [] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified.

See Chart on next page...



JOINING PANELS

