Lazy Daisy Blanket

Dress up this blanket with embroidered daisies. Perfect for playtime or naptime.

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Blanket measures 44" wide and 46" long.

RED HEART® "Soft Baby®": 3 skeins 7001 White **A**, 2 skeins 7881 Powder Blue **B**.

Crochet Hook: 4mm [US G-6].
Yarn needle.

GAUGE: 15 sts = 4"; 8 rows = 4" in pattern. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.**

NOTES
1. Blanket is worked from side to side.
2. To change color, work last stitch of old color to last yarn over, yarn over with new color and draw through all loops on hook to complete stitch. Proceed with new color. Fasten off old color.

BLANKET
With **A**, ch 151.
Row 1 (Wrong Side): Dc in 4th ch from hook (beginning ch counts as first dc) and in each ch across, turn—149 dc.
Row 2: Ch 3 (counts as first dc here and throughout), skip first dc, dc in next 7 dc, ch 1, skip next dc, *dc in next 11 dc, ch 1, skip next dc; repeat from * across to last 8 sts, dc in last 8 sts, turn—12 ch-1 spaces.
Row 3: Ch 3, skip first dc, dc in next 5 dc, ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next dc, *ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next 7 dc, ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next dc; repeat from * across to last 7 sts, ch 1, skip next dc, dc in last 6 sts, turn—24 ch-1 spaces.
Row 4: Ch 3, skip first dc, dc in next 3 dc, *ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next 3 dc, dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next 3 dc; repeat from * across to last st, dc in last st, turn.
Row 5: Ch 3, skip first dc, dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc, *dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next 7 dc, dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc; repeat from * across to last st, dc in last st, turn—13 ch-1 spaces.
Row 6: Ch 3, skip first dc, dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next dc, *ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next 7 dc, ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next dc; repeat from * across to last st, dc in last st, turn—24 ch-1 spaces.
Row 7: Ch 3, skip first dc, dc in next 3 dc, *dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next 3 dc, ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next 3 dc; repeat from * across to last st, dc in last st, turn.
Row 8: Ch 3, skip first dc, dc in next 5 dc, dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space, *dc in next 7 dc, dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc, dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 space; repeat from * across to last 6 sts, dc in last 6 sts, turn—12 ch-1 spaces.
Rows 9–14: Repeat Rows 3–8.
Row 15: Ch 3, skip first dc, dc in each st and ch-1 space

across; change to **B** in last st, turn—149 dc.
Row 16: With **B**, ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.
Row 17: Ch 3, skip first st, dc in next st, *ch 1, skip next st, dc in next st; repeat from * across to last st, dc in last st, turn—73 ch-1 spaces.
Row 18: Ch 3, skip first dc, dc in each st and ch-1 space across, turn—149 dc.
Row 19: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.
Row 20: Ch 3, skip first sc, dc in each sc across, turn.
Row 21: Repeat Row 17.
Row 22: Ch 1, sc in each st and ch-1 space across; change to **A** in last st, turn.
Row 23: With A, ch 3, skip first sc, dc in each sc across, turn.
Repeat Rows 2–23 twice more.
Repeat Rows 2–15 once more; change to B in last st of last row, turn. Do not fasten off.

Border
Round 1 (Right Side): With **B**, ch 1, work sc evenly spaced around all 4 sides of blanket, working 3 sc in each corner and having an odd number of sc between corners on each side; join with slip st in first sc, turn.
Round 2 (Wrong Side): Ch 4, *skip next st, dc in next st, ch 1; repeat from * around, working (dc, ch 1, dc, ch 1, dc) in center st of each corner; join with slip st in 3rd ch of beginning ch, turn.
Round 3: Ch 3, dc in each ch-1 space and st around, working 5 dc in center dc of each corner; join with slip st in top of beginning, turn.
Round 4: Ch 1, sc in each st around, working 3 sc in center dc of each corner; join with slip st in first sc, turn.
Round 5: Ch 3, dc in each st around, working 5 dc in center dc of each corner; join with slip st in top of beginning ch.
Round 6: Repeat Round 2.
Round 7 (Right Side): Ch 1, sc in each ch-1 space and st around, working 3 sc in center dc of each corner; join with slip st in first sc, do not turn.
Round 8: With Right Side facing, and working from LEFT to RIGHT (RIGHT to LEFT, if you crochet left-handed), work as follows: Ch 1, sc in first sc, *ch 2, skip next sc to the RIGHT, sc in next sc to the RIGHT; repeat from * around; join with slip st in first sc. Fasten off.

FINISHING
Weave in ends.

Embroidery
Lazy Daisies: With 2 strands of **A** held together, embroider 4-petal lazy daisies evenly spaced across each **B** strip and border of blanket.
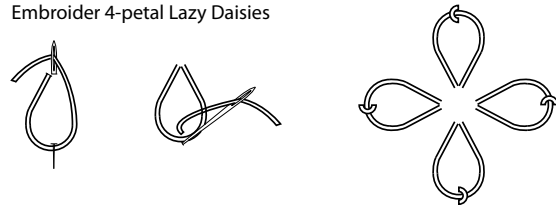**Center of Daisies:** With one strand of **B**, work a cross stitch in the center of each daisy. Embroider a French Knot over each cross stitch.
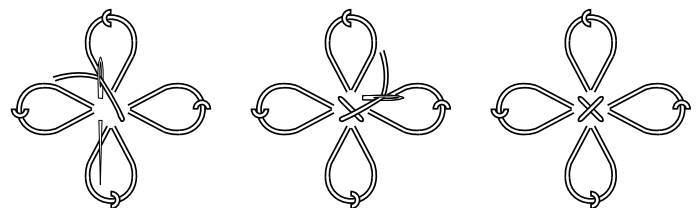
RED HEART® "Soft Baby®", Art. E705 available in solid color 7 oz (198 g), 575 yd (525 m) and multi color and twinkle 6 oz (170 g), 430 yd (393 m) skeins.

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

Embroider 4-petal Lazy Daisies

Embroider a cross stitch in the center of each Lazy Daisy

Embroider a French Knot over each cross stitch