**RED HEART**

CROCHET
SKILL LEVEL
**INTERMEDIATE**

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## What you will need:

**RED HEART® Soft Essentials™:**
6 balls of 7508 Turquoise

**Susan Bates® Crochet Hook:**
6.5mm [US K-10.5]

Yarn needle

**GAUGE:** 4 rounds in double crochet = 4" (10cm). **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.**

# Scalloped Baby Blanket

The stitch pattern in this crochet blanket keeps things interesting for you and creates a pretty project that easily doubles as a play mat for baby.

**SHOP KIT**

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Blanket measures 40" [101.5 cm] in diameter.

## Special Stitch

**Dc2tog (double crochet 2 together):**
*Yo, insert hook into next stitch indicated and pull up a loop, yo and draw through 2 loops on hook; repeat from * once more in next stitch indicated, yo and draw through all 3 loops on hook- 1 st decrease.

**Dc3tog (double crochet 3 together):**
*Yo, insert hook into next stitch indicated and pull up a loop, yo and draw through 2 loops on hook; repeat from * twice more in next stitch indicated, yo and draw through all 4 loops on hook- 2 sts decrease.

**tch=** turning chain

## BLANKET

Make an adjustable loop
**Round 1 (right side):** Ch 3 (counts as dc throughout), 11 dc in loop, slip stitch to the top of beginning ch. Pull loop closed. Do not turn- 12 dc.
**Round 2:** Ch 3, dc in same st, 2 dc in ea dc around, slip stitch to top of tch. Do not turn-24 dc.
**Round 3:** Ch 3, dc in same st, dc in next dc, *2 dc in next dc, dc in next dc; repeat from * around, slip stitch to top of tch. Do not turn-36 dc.
**Round 4:** Ch 3, dc in same st, dc in next 2 dc, *2 dc in next dc, dc in next 2 dc; repeat from * around, slip stitch to top of tch. Do not turn-48 dc.
**Round 5:** Ch 3, dc in same st, dc in next 3 dc, *2 dc in next dc, dc in next 3 dc; repeat from * around, slip stitch to top of tch. Do not turn-60 dc.
**Round 6:** Ch 3, dc in same st, dc in next 4 dc, *2 dc in next dc, dc in next 4 dc; repeat from * around, slip stitch to top of tch. Do not turn-72 dc.
**Round 7:** Ch 3, dc in same st, dc in next 5 dc, *2 dc in next dc, dc in next 5 dc; repeat from * around, slip stitch to top of tch. Do not turn-84 dc.

**Round 8:** Ch 3, dc in same st, dc in next 6 dc, *2 dc in next dc, dc in next 6 dc; repeat from * around, slip stitch to top of tch. Do not turn-96 dc.
**Round 9:** Ch 3, dc in same st, dc in next 7 dc, *2 dc in next dc, dc in next 7 dc; repeat from * around, slip stitch to top of tch. Do not turn-108 dc.
**Round 10:** Ch 2 (does not count as st throughout), dc in next dc, *dc in next 2 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 2 dc, ch 3, skip 2 dc**, dc2tog over next 2 dc; repeat from * around ending at **, slip stitch to first dc. Do not turn-84 dc + 12 ch-3 spaces.
**Round 11:** Ch 2, dc in next dc, *dc in next 2 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 2 dc, 3 dc in ch-3 space, dc in next 4 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 2 dc, dc in ch-3 space, ch 3**, dc2tog over next 2 dc; repeat from * around ending at **, slip stitch to first dc. Do not turn-114 dc + 6 ch-3 spaces.
**Round 12:** Ch 2, dc in next dc, *dc in next 3 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 3 dc, ch 3, sk 2 dc, dc2tog over next 2 dc, dc in next 3 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 2 dc, dc in ch-3 space, ch 3**, dc2tog over next 2 dc; repeat from * around ending at **, slip stitch to first dc. Do not turn-108 dc + 12 ch-3 spaces.
**Round 13:** Ch 2, dc in next dc, *dc in next 3 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 3 dc, 3 dc in ch-3 space, dc in next 5 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 3 dc, dc in ch-3 space, ch 3**, dc2tog over next 2 dc; repeat from * around ending at **, slip stitch to first dc. Do not turn-138 dc + 6 ch-3 spaces.

**Round 14:** Ch 2, dc in next dc, *dc in next 4 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 4 dc, ch 3, sk 2 dc, dc2tog over next 2 dc, dc in next 4 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 3 dc, dc in ch-3 space, ch 3**, dc2tog over next 2 dc; repeat from * around ending at **, slip stitch to first dc. Do not turn-132 dc + 12 ch-3 spaces.

**Round 15:** Ch 2, dc in next dc, *dc in next 4 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 4 dc, 3 dc in ch-3 space, dc in next 6 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 4 dc, dc in ch-3 space, ch 3**, dc2tog over next 2 dc; repeat from * around ending at **, slip stitch to first dc. Do not turn-162 dc + 6 ch-3 spaces.

**Round 16:** Ch 2, dc in next dc, *dc in next 8 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 7 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 8 dc, dc in ch-3 space, ch 3**, dc2tog over next 2 dc; repeat from * around ending at **, slip stitch to first dc. Do not turn-174 dc + 6 ch-3 spaces.

**Round 17:** Ch 2, dc in next dc, *dc in next 8 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 9 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 8 dc, dc in ch-3 space, ch 3**, dc2tog over next 2 dc; repeat from * around ending at **, slip stitch to first dc. Do not turn-186 dc + 6 ch-3 spaces.

**Round 18:** Ch 2, dc in next dc, dc2tog over next 2 dc, *dc in next 23 dc, [dc2tog over next 2 dc] twice, ch 3, 3 dc in ch-3 space, ch 3**, [dc2tog over next 2 dc] twice; repeat from * around ending at **, slip stitch to first dc. Do not turn-180 dc + 12 ch-3 spaces.

**Round 19:** Ch 2, dc in next dc, *dc in next 23 dc, dc2tog over next 2 dc, ch 3, skip ch-3 space, dc in next dc, 3 dc in next dc, dc in next dc, ch 3, skip ch-3 space**, dc2tog over next 2 dc; repeat from * around ending at **, slip stitch to first dc. Do not turn-180 dc + 12 ch-3 spaces.

**Round 20:** Ch 2, dc in next dc, *dc in next 21 dc, dc2tog over next 2 dc, ch 3, skip ch-3 space, 2 dc in next 2 dc, dc in next dc, 2 dc in next 2 dc, ch 3, skip ch-3 space**, dc2tog over next 2 dc; repeat from * around ending at **, slip stitch to first dc. Do not turn-192 dc + 12 ch-3 spaces.

**Round 21:** Ch 2, dc in next dc, *dc in next 19 dc, dc2tog over next 2 dc, ch 3, skip ch-3 space, [dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc] 4 times, dc in next dc, ch 3, skip ch-3 space**, dc2tog over next 2 dc; repeat from * around ending at **, slip stitch to first dc. Do not turn-204 dc + 12 ch-3 spaces.

**Round 22:** Ch 2, dc in next dc, *dc in next 17 dc, dc2tog over next 2 dc, ch 3, skip ch-3 space, dc in next 2 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 3 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 2 dc, ch 3, skip ch-3 space**, dc2tog over next 2 dc; repeat from * around ending at **, slip stitch to first dc. Do not turn-216 dc + 12 ch-3 spaces.

**Round 23:** Ch 2, dc in next dc, *dc in next 15 dc, dc2tog over next 2 dc, ch 3, skip ch-3 space, dc in next 4 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 2 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 2 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 4 dc, ch 3, skip ch-3 space**, dc2tog over next 2 dc; repeat from * around ending at **, slip stitch to first dc. Do not turn-228 dc + 12 ch-3 spaces.

**Round 24:** Ch 2, dc in next dc, *dc in next 13 dc, dc2tog over next 2 dc, ch 3, skip ch-3 space, [dc in next 3 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 4 dc, 2 dc in next dc] twice, dc in next 3 dc, ch 3, skip ch-3 space**, dc2tog over next 2 dc; repeat from * around ending at **, slip stitch to first dc. Do not turn-240 dc + 12 ch-3 spaces.

**Round 25:** Ch 2, dc in next dc, *dc in next 11 dc, dc2tog over next 2 dc, ch 3, skip ch-3 space, [dc in next 5 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 3 dc, 2 dc in next dc] twice, dc in next 5 dc, ch 3, skip ch-3 space**, dc2tog over next 2 dc; repeat from * around ending at **, slip stitch to first dc. Do not turn-252 dc + 12 ch-3 spaces.

**Round 26:** Ch 2, dc in next dc, *dc in next 9 dc, dc2tog over next 2 dc, ch 3, skip ch-3 space, dc in next 9 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 3 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 3 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 9 dc, ch 3, skip ch-3 space**, dc2tog over next 2 dc; repeat from * around ending at **, slip stitch to first dc. Do not turn-264 dc + 12 ch-3 spaces.

**Round 27:** Ch 2, dc in next dc, *dc in next 7 dc, dc2tog over next 2 dc, ch 3, skip ch-3 space, dc in next 6 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 5 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 7 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 5 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 6 dc, ch 3, skip ch-3 space**, dc2tog over next 2 dc; repeat from * around ending at **, slip stitch to first dc. Do not turn-276 dc + 12 ch-3 spaces.

**Round 28:** Ch 2, dc in next dc, *dc in next 5 dc, dc2tog over next 2 dc, ch 3, skip ch-3 space, dc in next 11 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 5 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 5 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 11 dc, ch 3, skip ch-3 space**, dc2tog over next 2 dc; repeat from * around ending at **, slip stitch to first dc. Do not turn-288 dc + 12 ch-3 spaces.

**Round 29:** Ch 2, dc in next dc, *dc in next 3 dc, dc2tog over next 2 dc, ch 3, skip ch-3 space, dc in next 9 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 7 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 5 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 7 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 9 dc, ch 3, skip ch-3 space**, dc2tog over next 2 dc; repeat from * around ending at **, slip stitch to first dc. Do not turn-300 dc + 12 ch-3 spaces.

**Round 30:** Ch 2, dc in next dc, *dc in next dc, dc2tog over next 2 dc, ch 3, skip ch-3 space, dc in next 14 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 5 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 3 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 5 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 14 dc, ch 3, skip ch-3 space**, dc2tog over next 2 dc; repeat from * around ending at **, slip stitch to first dc. Do not turn-312 dc + 12 ch-3 spaces.

**Round 31:** Ch 2, dc2tog in over next 2 dc, *ch 3, skip ch-3 space, dc in next 12 dc, [2 dc in next dc, dc in next 7 dc] 3 times, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 12 dc, ch 3, skip ch-3 space**, dc3tog over next 3 dc; repeat from * around ending at **, slip stitch to top of dc2tog. Do not turn-324 dc + 12 ch-3 spaces.

**Round 32:** Slip stitch in next 3 ch, slip stitch in first dc, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 12 dc, *2 dc in next dc, dc in next 8 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 7 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 8 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in next 13 dc, ch 4, skip ch-spaces, skip dc3tog**, dc in next 13 dc; repeat from * around ending at **, slip stitch to top of beginning ch. Do not turn-342 dc + 6 ch-4 spaces.

**Round 33:** Slip stitch in next dc, *[skip next dc, 5 dc in next dc (counts as scallop), skip next dc, slip stitch in next 2 dc] repeat across to ch-4 space, (slip stitch, 5 dc, slip stitch) in ch-4 space**, slip stitch in next 2 dc; repeat from * around ending at **, slip stitch to first slip stitch, fasten off- 72 scallops.

## FINISHING

Weave in all ends. Lay blanket in a cool water bath, gently remove excess water (do not wring), lay flat and pin to finished size. Allow to dry.

## ABBREVIATIONS

**ch =** chain; **dc** = double crochet; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **( )** = work directions in parentheses in same st; **[ ]** = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; **\*** = repeat whatever follows the * as indicated.