



Soft and Snuggly Baby Blanket

Designed by Melissa Leapman

Blanket measures 43" x 46".

RED HEART® "Moon & Stars™": 11 Balls 3668 Mint Jelly.

Knitting Needles: 5.5mm [US 9] and 6mm [US 10] circular, 29" long.
Yarn needle.

GAUGE: 16 sts = 4" in Stockinette stitch. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.**

NOTE: Blanket is worked back and forth in rows. Circular needle is used to accommodate the large number of stitches.

Special Abbreviations:

Ssk: Slip 2 sts knitwise to right needle, insert point of left needle through front of sts, k2tog through loop.

M1: Make 1 (inc) – Lift strand between needles to left-hand needle and work strand through the back loop, twisting it to prevent a hole, [knit or purl as indicated by pattern st].

BLANKET

With smaller needle, cast on 155 sts.

Row 1 (Right Side): K10, *k2tog, yo, k8; repeat from * across to last 5 sts, k2tog, yo, k3.

Row 2 and All Wrong Side rows: Purl.

Row 3: K9, *k2tog, yo, k8; repeat from * across to last 6 sts, k2tog, yo, k4.

Row 5: K8, *k2tog, yo, k8; repeat from * across to last 7 sts, k2tog, yo, k5.

Row 7: K7, *k2tog, yo, k8; repeat from * across to last 8 sts, k2tog, yo, k6.

Row 9: K2, *yo, ssk, k2, k2tog, yo, k4; repeat from * across to last 3 sts, k3.

Row 11: K3, *yo, ssk, k8; repeat from * across to last 2 sts, k2.

Row 13: K4, *yo, ssk, k8; repeat from * across to last st, k1.

Row 15: K5, *yo, ssk, k8; repeat from * across.

Row 17: K6, *yo, ssk, k8; repeat from * across to last 9 sts, yo, ssk, k7.

Row 19: K7, *yo, ssk, k2, k2tog, yo, k4; repeat from * across to last 8 sts, ending yo, ssk, k2, k2tog, yo, k2.

Row 20: Repeat Row 2.

Repeat Rows 1-20 until Blanket measures 42" from beginning, end with Row 8 or 18.

Bind off.

FINISHING

Top and Bottom Border

With right side facing and larger needle, pick up and knit 155 sts along cast-on or bind-off row.

Row 1 (Wrong Side): P2, [k1, p1] across to last 3 sts, k1, p2.

Row 2: K2, M1 knitwise, knit the knit sts and purl the purl sts as they appear to last 2 sts, M1 knitwise, k2.



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Row 3: P3, [k1, p1] across to last 4 sts, k1, p3.

Row 4: K2, M1 purlwise, [k1, p1] across to last 3 sts, k1, M1 purlwise, k2.

Repeat Rows 1-4 once more, then Row 1 once.

Bind off.

Repeat along opposite edge.

Side Border

With right side facing and larger needle, pick up and knit 167 sts along side edge.

Work as for Top and Bottom Border.

Sew mitered corners of Border together. Weave in ends.



RED HEART® “Moon & Stars™”,
Art.E753; 1.76 oz (50 g), 110 yd
(100 m) balls.

ABBREVIATIONS: **K** = knit; **K2tog** = knit 2 sts together;
mm = millimeters; **P** = purl; **St st** = Stockinette stitch;
st(s) = stitch(es); **yo** = yarn over; * = repeat whatever follows the * as indicated; [] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified.