

Caleb's Baby Afghan

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This crocheted baby afghan uses a variation on the linked trebles stitch. I called a side linked double treble stitch. It is a fun afghan to make and one where once you get used to doing the stitch, you can sit in front of the TV and absent mindedly work on it.

Materials Needed

3 skeins 5oz each Red Heart Super Saver in Ocean or a total of 15-16 oz of any worsted weight acrylic yarn. Red Heart Super Saver in Delft. .5oz

Size K/10 or 8mm aluminum crochet hook Yarn needle for weaving in ends

Yarn Thickness: 3.5mm Gauge: 5 sldtr = 1" Finished Size: 39" x 32" Skill Level: Intermediate



Close up of stitch detail.

Instructions

ROW 1: Ch104. Insert hook, pull up a loop in each of the following chains, the 2nd, 4th, 6th and 7th ch from hook. Yo, pull through 2 loops on hook 4 times. You now have 2 stitches made on the foundation chain. Now you will work on the rest of the foundation chain. (Insert hook and pull up a loop in each of the 3 bottom vertical bars down the side of the previous stitch and into the next chain. You should have 5

loops on hook. Yo, pull through 2 loops on hook 4 times.)[sldtr made] Repeat bet () all the way across. At the end, ch3, turn.

ROW 2: Sk very first sldtr and dc in each st across. Dc in top of ch5 of starting chain. Ch6, turn.

ROW 3: Insert hook and pull up a loop in the 2nd, 4th and 6th ch from hook. Sk very first dc and insert hook in next dc and pull up a loop. Yo, pull through 2 lps on hook 4 times. Repeat between () of ROW 1 all the way across. When you get to the end, you will be inserting your hook in the top of the ch3 of the previous row. Ch6, turn.

ROW 4-35: Repeat ROWs 2 & 3 sixteen times more. Do not fasten off. Do not turn.

Perimeter:

RND 1: Ch1. Work around the perimeter down the left side, across the bottom, up the right and across the top.



Work a sc in each vertical side bar and work 2 sc in each dc row down the left and up the right. Work one sc per stitch across the bottom and top. Work 3 sc in each corner. When you get back to the beginning. Join w/slst to first sc. Fasten off ocean.

RND 2: Join Delft blue in same st as slst. Dc in each sc around but work 3 dc in each corner sc. When you get back to the beginning, join w/slst to top of ch3.

RND 3: Ch1. Sc in each dc around, but work 3 sc in each corner dc. Join w/slst to first sc. Fasten off and weave all ends into back of work.

Go to:

http://www.jpfun.com/reference/stitche s/sldtr.shtml for further stitch instructions.

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