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Letter from the Editor

Hello, Crocheters!

When working on any crochet projects, it's always fun to switch things up and learn new techniques and tips and tricks. For crochet blankets, you can practice some new stitches or work up fun color changes, but I think the best way to changes things up and put a different spin on an afghan is by crocheting round afghan patterns.

Round crochet blankets are so striking because of their unique shape, and they're really rather easy to work up! If you can work up a regular afghan, a round afghan is no problem - simply work the pattern in the round, increasing as you go. These hand-picked crochet blanket patterns range from easy to intermediate difficulty, and the stitches vary in style from simple, basic stitches to lace inserts and bumpy ridges. Whether you're looking for a soft and simple crochet blanket for babies or a more complex and decorative throw for your home, you'll find the perfect crochet afghan for your needs. And for anyone who's still a little new to the art of crochet, check out our handy guide to learn how to crochet featuring some beginner stitch how-tos and a list of some standard abbreviations.

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Happy crafting!

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Round Crochet Baby Blankets

Cutie Owl Crochet Baby Blanket
By: Michele Wilcox for Red Heart Yarns

Hoo's ready for the cutest round crochet pattern out there? This Cutie Owl Crochet Baby Blanket will blow you away. An amazing owl crochet applique is accompanied by adorable flowers and branches to make the best picture crochet baby blanket pattern ever. A beautiful aqua blue gives the afghan just the pop it needs. No baby will ever want to stop playing on this gem. Whether you have a baby shower or a birthday, this round crochet baby blanket will make the perfect gift.



Skill Level: Intermediate

Size: 40" (101.5 cm) diameter

Gauge: 10 dc = 4" (10 cm) in pattern; 7 rounds = 4" (10 cm)

Materials:

- Red Heart Super Saver:
 - o #316 Soft White (A, 2 skeins)
 - o #505 Aruba Sea (B, 2 skeins)
 - o #400 Grey Heather (C, 1 skein)
 - o #668 Honeydew (D, 1 skein)
 - #365 Coffee (E, 1 skein)
 - o #320 Cornmeal (F, 1 skein)
 - o #706 Perfect Pink (G, 1 skein)
 - #672 Spring Green (H, 1 skein)
- US size H/8 (5 mm) hook
- Yarn needle

Special Stitches:

Fpdc (front post double crochet): Yarn over, insert hook from the front side of work to the back and to the front again around post of indicated stitch; yarn over and pull up a loop (3 loops on hook), yarn over and draw through 2 loops (2 loops on hook), yarn over and draw through 2 loops (1 loop on hook).

Pattern Notes:

Blanket, eye sections, beak, flower and leaf are worked in joined rounds with right side facing at all times.

Increases are made by working into the top of the indicated stitch and then by working around the post of the same stitch.

Rounds 1–6 of blanket are the owl's body. Owl's body parts, branches, leaves and flowers are worked separately and sewn to blanket. Leave long tails for sewing when fastening off.

When sewing pieces to blanket, insert the needle horizontally through the top of the stitches on the right side of the blanket so your stitching doesn't show on the wrong side.

Pattern:

With C, ch 4; join with slip st in first ch to form ring.

Rnd 1: Ch 3 (counts as first dc here and throughout), 11 dc in ring; join with slip st in top of beg ch. (12 dc)

Rnd 2: Ch 3, fpdc around same dc as joining, *dc in next dc, fpdc around same dc; repeat from * around; join with slip st to top of beginning ch. (12 dc and 12 fpdc)

Rnd 3: Ch 3, dc in first fpdc, fpdc around same fpdc, *dc in next dc, dc in next fpdc, fpdc around same fpdc; repeat from * around; join with slip st to top of beginning ch. (24 dc and 12 fpdc)

Rnd 4: Ch 3, dc in first dc, dc in next fpdc, fpdc around same fpdc, *dc in next 2 dc, dc in next fpdc, fpdc around same fpdc; repeat from* around; join with slip st to top of beginning ch. (36 dc and 12 fpdc)

Rnd 5: Ch 3, *dc in each dc to next fpdc, dc in next fpdc, fpdc around same fpdc; repeat from * around; join with slip st to top of beginning ch. (48 dc and 12 fpdc)

Rnd 6: Repeat Rnd 5; change to B. (60 dc and 12 fpdc)

Rnds 7-19: Repeat Rnd 5 thirteen times; change to A at end of Round 19. (216 dc and 12 fpdc)

Rnds 20–31: Repeat Rnd 5 twelve times; change to D at end of Round 31. (360 dc and 12 fpdc)

Rnd 32: Repeat Rnd 5. *(372 dc and 12 fpdc)*

Rnd 33: Ch 1, sc in same dc as join, skip next st, 5 dc in next st, *skip next st, sc in next st, skip next st, 5 dc in next st; repeat from *to last st, skip last st; join with slip st to first sc. Fasten off.

Owl:

Eye (make 2):

With A, ch 4.

Rnd 1: Work 11 dc in 4th ch from hook (beginning ch count as first dc); join with slip st to top of beginning ch. (12 dc)

Rnd 2: Ch 3, dc in same st as join, 2 dc in each dc around; join with slip st to top of beginning ch. (24 dc)

Rnd 3: Ch 1, sc in same dc as join, ch 2, slip st in 2nd ch from hook, *sc in next dc, ch 2, slip st in 2nd ch from hook; repeat from *around; join with slip st in first st. Fasten off.

Iris (make 2):

With D, ch 2.

Rnd 1: Work 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook; join with slip st in first st. (6 sc)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, 2 sc in each sc around; join with slip st in first st. Fasten off. (6 sc)

Pupil (make 2):

With E, ch 2.

Rnd 1: Work 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook; join with slip st in first st. Fasten off. (6 sc)

Beak:

With F, ch 2.

Rnd 1: Work 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook; join with slip st in first st. (6 sc)

Rnd 2: Sc in first sc, 2 sc in next sc, *sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in first st. (9 sc)

Rnd 3: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 4: Sc in first 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc, *sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from *around; join with slip st in first st. (12 sc)

Rnds 5-6: Sc in each sc around. Fasten off.

Foot (make 2):

With F, ch 7.

Row 1 (RS): Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch, turn. (6 sc)

Row 2: Ch 5, slip st in 2nd ch from hook, sc in last 3 ch, sc in first 2 sc, *ch 5, slip st in 2nd ch from hook, sc in last 3 ch, sc in next 2sc; repeat from * once. Fasten off.

Branches:

Note: Row 1 of all branches is the right side.

Branch 1:

With E, ch 41.

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in next 8 ch, hdc in next 16 ch, dc in last 15 ch, turn.

Row 2: Slip st in first 25 sts, turn.

Row 3: Ch 25, sc in 2nd ch from hook and next 13 ch, hdc in next 10 ch, skip next 2 sts, slip st in next st. Fasten off.

Branch 2:

With E, ch 30.

Row 1: Slip st in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 12 ch, hdc in next 16 ch, turn.

Row 2: Ch 10, slip st in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 8 ch, skip next 3 hdc, slip st in next hdc. Fasten off.

Branch 3 (make 2):

With E, ch 20.

Row 1: Slip st in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 4 ch, turn.

Row 2: Ch 7, slip st in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 5 ch, sc in next sc. Fasten off.

Flower (make 8):

With G, ch 4; join with slip st in first ch to form ring.

Rnd 1: Ch 1, 10 sc in ring, join with slip st to first sc. (10 sc)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, 2 hdc in same sc as join, 2 hdc in next sc, *(slip st, ch 1, 2 hdc) in next sc, 2 hdc, ch 1) in next sc; repeat from * around; join with slip st to first ch. (5 petals made) Fasten off.

Leaf (make 12):

With H, ch 6.

Rnd 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc in next ch, dc in next 2 ch, 5 dc in last ch; working on opposite side of foundation ch, 2 dc in first ch, hdc in next ch, (2 sc, ch 1, sc) in last ch; join with slip st in first st.

Rnd 2: Ch 1, sc in first 5 sts, 2 sc in next 2 sts, ch 3, slip st in 2nd and 3rd ch from hook, 2 sc in next 2 sts, sc in next 5 sts, slip st inch-1 space. Fasten off.

Finishing:

Use photograph as a guide for placement of all pieces. See Notes for sewing "invisibly".

Owl face: Sew pupils to irises, sew irises to center of eyes, and sew eyes to upper half of Rounds 1-6.

With wrong side facing, weave tail through Round 6 of beak, pull gently to gather, and sew beak between eyes.

Branches: Sew branch 1 directly under owl. Sew remaining branches in place as shown in photograph or as desired.

Feet: Weave tail through wrong side of Row 1 and gather edge slightly. Place Row 1 on lower edge of Round 6 of blanket, wrap claws around branch 1, and sew in place.

Flowers and Leaves: Arrange at ends of branches and elsewhere as desired; sew in place. Weave in ends.



Finished? Learn how to take care of your Afghan with tips on How to Wash an Afghan!

Marshmallow Baby Blanket By: <u>Bernat Yarn</u>

The Marshmallow Baby Blanket is lightweight and soft - just like a marshmallow! Round crochet baby blankets are easy to crochet and it's a nice option for those tired of rectangular crochet baby blankets. This crochet baby afghan uses just two skeins of yarn to achieve an adorably soft look. The pastel shades within this variegated yarn will match any nursery theme's color palette.



Skill Level: Intermediate

Size: 42" (106.5 cm) diameter

Gauge: 15 dc and $8\frac{1}{2}$ rows = $4^{\prime\prime}$ (10 cm)

Materials:

Bernat Baby Sport:

o #24306 Baby Baby Ombre (2 balls)

US size H/8 (5 mm) hook or size needed to obtain gauge

Pattern:

Ch 4. Join in ring.

Rnd 1: Ch 2 (does not count as st). 8 hdc in ring. Join with sl st to first hdc. (8 hdc)

Rnd 2: Ch 3 (counts as dc). 1 dc in same sp as sl st. 2 dc in each hdc around. Join with sl st to first hdc. (16 dc)

Rnd 3: Ch 3 (counts as dc). 1 dc in same sp as sl st. 2 dc in each dc around. Join with sl st to first dc. (32 dc)

Rnd 4: Ch 3. (Yoh and draw up a loop in same sp as sl st. Yoh and draw through 2 loops on hook) twice. Yoh and draw through all 3 loops on hook – Beg Cluster made. *Ch 2. Miss next dc. (Yoh and draw up a loop. Yoh and draw through 2 loops on hook) 3 times in next dc. Yoh and draw through all 4 loops on hook – Cluster made.

Rep from * around. Ch 2. Miss last dc. Join with sl st to Beg Cluster.

Rnd 5: SI st in next ch-2 sp. (Beg Cluster. Ch 2. Cluster) in same sp as sI st. *Ch 2. Cluster in next ch-2 sp. Ch 2. (Cluster. Ch 2. Cluster) in next ch-2 sp. Rep from * around, ending with Ch 2. Cluster in next ch-2 sp. Ch 2. Join with sI st to Beg Cluster.

Rnd 6: SI st in next ch-2 sp. (Beg Cluster. Ch 2. Cluster) in same sp as sI st. *(Ch 2. Cluster in next ch-2 sp) twice. Ch 2. (Cluster. Ch 2. Cluster) in next ch-2 sp. Rep from * around, ending with (Ch 2. Cluster in next ch-2 sp) twice. Ch 2. Join with sI st to Beg Cluster.

Rnd 7: SI st in next ch-2 sp. (Beg Cluster. Ch 2. Cluster) in same sp as sI st. *(Ch 2. Cluster in next ch-2 sp) 3 times. Ch 2. (Cluster. Ch 2. Cluster) in next ch-2 sp. Rep from * around, ending with (Ch 2. Cluster in next ch-2 sp) 3 times. Ch 2. Join with sI st to Beg Cluster.

Rnd 8: SI st in next ch-2 sp. (Beg Cluster. Ch 2. Cluster) in same sp as sI st. *(Ch 2. Cluster in next ch-2 sp) 4 times. Ch 2. (Cluster. Ch 2. Cluster) in next ch-2 sp. Rep from * around, ending with (Ch 2. Cluster in next ch-2 sp) 4 times. Ch 2. Join with sI st to Beg Cluster.

Rnd 9: SI st in next ch-2 sp. (Beg Cluster. Ch 2. Cluster) in same sp as sI st. *(Ch 2. Cluster in next ch-2 sp) 5 times. Ch 2. (Cluster. Ch 2. Cluster) in next ch-2 sp. Rep from * around, ending with (Ch 2. Cluster in next ch-2 sp) 5 times. Ch 2. Join with sI st to Beg Cluster.

Cont in same manner, having 1 more Cluster between corners on every rnd until: "Next rnd: SI st in next ch-2 sp. (Beg Cluster. Ch 2. Cluster) in same sp as sI st. *(Ch 2. Cluster in next ch-2 sp) 29 times. Ch 2. (Cluster. Ch 2. Cluster) in next ch-2 sp. Rep from * around, ending with (Ch 2. Cluster in next ch-2 sp) 29 times. Ch 2. Join with sI st to Beg Cluster" has been worked.

Finishing:

Rnd 1: Ch 5 (counts as tr and ch 1). [(1 tr. Ch 1) 5 times. 1 tr] in same sp as sl st. *Miss next Cluster. **1 sc in next Cluster. [(1 tr. Ch 1) 4 times. 1 tr] in next Cluster. Rep from ** 12 times more. Miss next Cluster. 1 sc in next Cluster. [(1 tr. Ch 1) 7 times. 1 tr] in next corner ch-2 sp. Rep from * around, ending with: Miss next Cluster. **1 sc in next Cluster. [(1 tr. Ch 1) 4 times. 1 tr] in next Cluster. Rep from ** 12 times more. Miss next Cluster. 1 sc in next Cluster. Join with sl st to 4th ch of ch 5.

Rnd 2: Ch 1. 1 sc in first ch-1 sp. *(Ch 3. 1 sc in next ch-1 sp) 5 times. Ch 3. Sl st in next sc. [(Ch 3. 1 sc in next ch-1 sp) 4 times. Ch 3. Sl st in next sc] 12 times. Rep from * around, ending with: [(Ch 3. 1 sc in next ch-1 sp) 4 times. Ch 3. Sl st in next sc] 12 times. Ch 3. Join with sl st to first sc. Fasten off.





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Ferris Wheel Baby Blanket
By: Debi from Dly's Hooks and Yarns

Make your very own round crochet afghan with the Ferris Wheel Baby Blanket pattern. Rounds of pastel colors make this pattern light and still eye-catching at the same time. This crochet baby afghan is versatile and can be made for both boys and girls. Once you start crocheting round crochet baby blankets, you'll never want to crochet anything else. The pattern below is written without indicating color changes to leave the color scheme up to you!



Skill Level: Easy

Size: 32" across

Materials:

- 12 oz. 4-ply worsted weight acrylic total
- US size J/10 (6 mm) hook

Pattern:

Rnd 1: Ch 3 (does not count as a stitch), 13 dc in 3rd ch from hook. Join with a sl st to 1st dc. (13 dc)

Rnd 2: Ch 2 (does not count as a stitch), 2 dc in each dc around. Join as before. (26 dc)

Rnd 3: Ch 1, sc in same st, ch 3. *skip next dc, sc in next dc, ch 3. Repeat from * around. Join with a sl st to 1st sc.

Rnd 4: SI st into ch-3 space, (ch 3, 2 dc) in same space, ch 1. (3 dc, ch 1) in each ch-3 space around. Join with a sI st to top of beginning ch 3.

Rnd 5: SI st into next dc, (ch 3, 2 dc) in same dc, ch 2. (3 dc, ch 2) in middle dc of each 3 dc cluster around. Join as before.

Rnd 6: SI st into next dc, (ch 3, 2 dc) in same dc, ch 1, dc in ch-2 sp, ch 1. *3 dc in middle dc of next 3 dc cluster, ch 1, dc in ch-2 sp, ch 1. Repeat from * around. Join.

Rnd 7: SI st into next dc, (ch 3, 2 dc) in same dc, ch 1, 3 dc in next dc, ch 1. *3 dc in middle dc of next 3 dc cluster, ch 1, 3 dc in next dc, ch 1. Repeat from * around. Join.

Rnd 8: SI st into next dc, (ch 3, 2 dc) in same dc, ch 1. (3 dc, ch 1) in middle dc of each 3 dc cluster around. Join as before.

Rnds 9-10: Repeat Rnd 5.

Rnd 11: Repeat Rnd 6.

Rnd 12: SI st into next dc, (ch 3, 2 dc) in same dc, ch 1, dc in next dc, ch 1. *3 dc in middle dc of next 3 dc cluster, ch 1, dc in next dc, ch 1. Repeat from * around. Join.

Rnd 13: Repeat Rnd 7.

Rnds 14-17: Repeat Rnd 8.

Rnds 18-19: Repeat Rnd 5.

Rnd 20: Repeat Rnd 6.

Rnds 21-24: Repeat Rnd 12.

Rnd 25: Repeat Rnd 7.

Rnds 26-28: Repeat Rnd 8.

Rnd 29: Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in each dc and ch-1 space around. Join with a sl st to 1st sc.

Rnd 30: SI st into next sc, (ch 3, 3 dc) in same sc, skip next sc, sc in next sc, skip next sc. *4 dc in next sc, skip next sc, sc in next sc, skip next sc. Repeat from * around. Join with a sI st to top of beginning ch 3. End off.

Round Crochet Afghans

Peppermint Stick Afghan

By: Michele Wilcox for Premier Yarns

The Peppermint Stick Afghan is as cool and refreshing as the candy itself. A swirling mix of red and white will remind you of the festive treat and the spirit of the holiday season, or work this up in a blend of your own favorite colors for a personalized treat! Add a special touch to your home by working up this sweet afghan pattern. Kids and adults will both love cuddling up with this cozy throw, no matter the season. You can't go wrong with this good-enough-to-eat round crochet pattern, so work one up for yourself or a special someone in your life today.



Skill Level: Intermediate

Size: 58" across

Gauge: 8 dc x 4 rnds = 4"

Materials:

- Deborah Norville Collection Serenity Chunky by Premier Yarns:
 - #700-20 Cloud Dancer (A, 8 balls)
 - #500-06 Berry Burst (B, 8 balls)
- US size K/10½ (6.5 mm) hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle

Special Stitches:

FPdc (front post double crochet): Yo, insert hook around post (from front to back to front) of specified st and draw up a lp, [yo and pull through 2 lps on hk] twice.

Striping Patt: *3 rnds A, 3 rnds B; rep from * to end.

Pattern:

With B, ch 2, sl st to form a ring.

Rnd 1: Ch 3 (counts as 1 st dc throughout), work 11 dc in ring, sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3 to join. (12 dc)

Rnd 2: Ch 3, FPdc around same dc as join, * dc in next dc, FPdc around same dc as last st; rep from * around, sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3 to join. (24 sts)

Rnd 3: Ch 3, dc in next FPdc, FPdc around same FPdc, *dc in next 2 sts, FPdc around same FPdc as last st; rep from * around, sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3 to join. (36 sts)

Join A and begin Striping Patt.

Rnd 4: Ch 3, *dc in each dc to FPdc, dc in FPdc, FPdc around same FPdc; rep from * around, sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3 to join. (12 sts inc'd)

Rep Rnd 4, 29 more times. (396 sts at end of last rnd)

Fasten off.

Edging:

Join A with a sl st in top of any FPdc, *[sk next st, 5 dc in next st, sk next st, sl st in next st] twice, ch 6, 3 sc in 2nd ch from hk and in each of next 4 ch, sl st in same st as last sl st; rep from * around, sl st in first st to join. Fasten off.

Finishing:

Weave in ends.

Down in the Valley Afghan By: JR Crochet Designs

Are you looking for a unique round crochet pattern with plenty of style? Look no further than the Down in the Valley Afghan! This round ripple crochet pattern will give a bold pop of color to any room. There's no better way to liven up a drab space than with an exotic ripple crochet pattern. With a star shape, this round crochet blanket will add some pizazz to your home and will make for a supremely warm throw.



Skill Level: Intermediate

Size: Size is customizeable

Materials

- 32-48 ozs of Worsted Weight yarn in your choice of color
- US size I/9 (5.5 mm) hook
- Tapestry needle (for weaving in ends)

Special Stitches:

Shell: (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in specified space or stitch.

V-St: (dc, ch 2, dc) in specified space or stitch.

Pattern:

Rnd 1: Ch 5, (dc, ch 1) 7 times in 5th chain from hook, sl st in top of beginning ch 3 (counts as first dc). (8 dc, 8 ch1 sps)

Rnd 2: SI St around post of beginning ch 3 of previous rnd, ch 3, (V-st in next ch1 sp, FPDC around next dc) 7 times, V-st in next ch1 sp, sI st in top of beginning ch 3. (8 FPDC, V-st shells)

Rnd 3: SI st around post of beginning ch3 of previous rnd, ch 3, (skip next dc, shell in next ch2 sp, skip next dc, FPDC around next dc) 7 times, skip next dc, shell in next ch2 sp, sI st in top of beginning ch3. (8 shells, 8 FPDC)

Rnd 4: SI st around post of beginning chc3 of previous rnd, ch 3, (skip next dc, dc in next dc, shell in next ch 2 sp, dc in next dc, skip next dc, FPDC around next dc) 7 times, skip next dc, dc in next dc, shell in next ch2 sp, dc in next dc, sl st in top of beginning ch3. (8 shells, 16 dc, 8 FPDC)

Rnd 5: SI st around post of beginning ch3 of previous rnd, ch 3, (skip next dc, dc in each dc to ch2 sp, shell in ch2 sp, dc in each dc across to 1 st before next FPDC, FPDC around next dc) 7 times, skip next dc, dc in each dc to ch2 sp, shell in next ch2 sp, dc in each dc across to 1 st before next FPDC, sI st in top of beginning ch3. (8 shells, 8 FPDC, 32 dc- Each rnd after this one the Dc count will increase by 16)

Repeat Rnd 5 until you reach the size needed. Work desired edging then weave in ends.

Tiffany Blue Round Ripple

By: Heather Tucker from Mama's Stitchery Projects

The Tiffany Blue Round Ripple is an elegant round crochet pattern that has ribbons of lace crochet in the valleys. There are a total of 12 points in this ripple crochet blanket, and this pattern can be worked into a baby blanket, lapghan or crochet throw, depending on your size preference. Light and beautiful, this crochet ripple blanket is in a popular color to use in your home, but don't be afraid to switch things up!



Skill Level: Intermediate

Size: This blanket can be made any size. Five widths are given in the directions:

# of Rounds	Inches point to	Inches of	Yards of chunky	Ounces of
	point	smallest area	yarn	chunky yarn
21	33.66	30.13	408.09	7.31
24	38.67	34.43	565.55	10.13
27	43.68	38.74	740.76	13.26
30	48.69	43.04	951.46	17.04
33	53.7	47.35	1179.9	21.13

Materials:

- Bulky/chunky yarn of your choice (weight/amounts given in chart above)
- US size I/9 (5.5 mm) hook

Pattern:

Rnd 1: Ch 4, join with sl st to form a ring. Ch 3 (counts as first dc), 11 dc into the ring. Join with sl st in third ch. (12 dc)

Rnd 2: Ch 4 (counts as first dc and ch), (dc in next dc, ch 1) in each st around. Join with sl st in third ch. (12 dc)

Rnd 3: Ch 1, sc in ch sp, ch 3, (sc in next ch sp, ch 3) around. Join with sl st in first sc. (12 ch-3 loops)

Rnd 4: SI st in ch-3 sp, ch 4 (counts as dc and ch), (dc, ch, dc) in same ch-3 sp, (dc, ch, dc, ch, dc) in each ch-3 sp around. Join with sI st in third ch. (12 3-dc shells)

Rnd 5: Ch 1, sc in ch sp, ch 3, (sc in next ch sp, ch 3) around. Join with sl st in first sc. (24 ch-3 loops)

Rnd 6: SI st in ch-3 sp, ch 4 (counts as dc and ch), (dc, ch, dc) in same ch-3 sp, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch-3 sp, ** (dc, (ch, dc) twice) in next ch-3 sp, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch-3 sp. Repeat from ** around. Join with sI st in third ch. (12 3-dc shells, 12 v-stitches)

Rnd 7: Ch 1, sc in same ch sp, ch 3, sc in next ch sp, ch 1, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch sp, ch 1, ** sc in next ch sp, ch 3, sc in next ch sp, ch 1, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch sp, ch 1. Repeat from ** around. Join with sl st in first sc. (12 ch-3 loops, 12 v-stitches)

Rnd 8: SI st in ch-3 sp, ch 4 (counts as dc and ch), (dc, (ch, dc) three times) in same ch-3 sp, skip the next ch-1 sp, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch-2 sp, skip next ch-1 sp, ** (dc, (ch, dc) four times) in next ch-3 sp, skip the next ch-1 sp, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch-2 sp, skip next ch-1 sp. Repeat from ** around. Join with sI st in third ch. (12 5-dc shells, 12 v-stitches)

Rnd 9: SI st, in ch sp, sI st in dc, sI st in ch sp, ch 1, sc in same ch sp, (ch 3, sc in next ch sp) twice, ch 1, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, sc in next ch sp, ch 3, ** sc in next ch sp, (ch 3, sc in next ch sp) twice, ch 1, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, sc in next ch sp, ch 3. Repeat from ** around. Join with sI st in first sc. (36 ch-3 loops, 12 v-stitches)

Rnd 10: SI st in ch-3 sp, ch 4 (counts as dc and ch), (dc, (ch, dc) three times) in same ch-3 sp, skip the next ch-3 sp, skip the next ch-1 sp, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch-2 sp, skip the next ch-1 sp, skip next ch-3 sp, ** (dc, (ch, dc) four times) in next ch-3 sp, skip the next ch-3 sp, skip the next ch-1 sp, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch-2 sp, skip the next ch-1 sp, skip next ch-3 sp. Repeat from ** around. Join with sI st in third ch. (12 5-dc shells, 12 v-stitches)

After this round, all odd rounds will have 36 ch-3 loops and all even rounds will have 12 5-dc shells.

Rnd 11: Sl st, in ch sp, sl st in dc, sl st in ch sp, ch 1, sc in same ch sp, (ch 3, sc in next ch sp) twice, ch 1, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, sc in next ch sp, ch 3, ** sc in next ch sp, (ch 3, sc in next ch sp) twice, ch 1, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, sc in next ch sp, ch 3. Repeat from ** around. Join with sl st in first sc.

Rnd 12: SI st in ch-3 sp, ch 4 (counts as dc and ch), (dc, (ch, dc) three times) in same ch-3 sp, skip the next ch-3 sp, skip the next dc, dc in next dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next dc, skip the next dc, skip the next ch-1 sp, skip next ch-3 sp, ** (dc, (ch, dc) four times) in next ch-3 sp, skip the next ch-3 sp, skip the next dc, dc in next dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next dc, skip the next dc, skip the next ch-1 sp, skip next ch-3 sp. Repeat from ** around. Join with sI st in third ch.

Rnd 13: SI st, in ch sp, sI st in dc, sI st in ch sp, ch 1, sc in same ch sp, (ch 3, sc in next ch sp) twice, ch 1, skip 2 dc, dc in next dc, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next dc, ch 1, skip 2 dc, sc in next ch sp, ch 3, ** sc in next ch sp, (ch 3, sc in next ch sp) twice, ch 1, skip 2 dc, dc in next dc, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next dc, ch 1, skip 2 dc, sc in next ch sp, ch 3. Repeat from ** around. Join with sI st in first sc.

Rnd 14: SI st in ch-3 sp, ch 4 (counts as dc and ch), (dc, (ch, dc) three times) in same ch-3 sp, skip the next ch-3 sp, skip the next ch-1 sp, skip the next dc, dc in each of next 2 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in each of next 2 dc, skip the next dc, skip the next ch-1 sp, skip next ch-3 sp, ** (dc, (ch, dc) four times) in next ch-3 sp, skip the next ch-3 sp, skip the next dc, dc in each of next 2 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in each of next 2 dc, skip the next dc, skip the next ch-1 sp, skip next ch-3 sp. Repeat from ** around. Join with sI st in third ch.

Rnd 15: SI st, in ch sp, sI st in dc, sI st in ch sp, ch 1, sc in same ch sp, (ch 3, sc in next ch sp) twice, ch 1, skip 2 dc, dc in each of next 2 dc, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in each of next 2 dc, ch 1, skip 2 dc, sc in next ch sp, ch 3, ** sc in next ch sp, (ch 3, sc in next ch sp) twice, ch 1, skip 2 dc, dc in each of next 2 dc, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in each of next 2 dc, ch 1, skip 2 dc, sc in next ch sp, ch 3. Repeat from ** around. Join with sI st in first sc.

Rnd 16: SI st in ch-3 sp, ch 4 (counts as dc and ch), (dc, (ch, dc) three times) in same ch-3 sp, skip the next ch-3 sp, skip the next ch-1 sp, skip the next dc, dc in each of next 3 dc, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in each of next 3 dc, skip the next dc, skip the next ch-1 sp, skip next ch-3 sp, ** (dc, (ch, dc) four times) in next ch-3 sp, skip the next ch-3 sp, skip the next dc, dc in each of next 3 dc, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in each of next 3 dc, skip the next dc, skip the next ch-1 sp, skip next ch-3 sp. Repeat from ** around. Join with sI st in third ch.

Rnd 17: SI st, in ch sp, sI st in dc, sI st in ch sp, ch 1, sc in same ch sp, (ch 3, sc in next ch sp) twice, ch 1, skip 2 dc, dc in each dc before ch-2 sp, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in each dc up to 2 dc before ch-1 sp, ch 1, skip 2 dc, sc in next ch sp, ch 3, ** sc in next ch sp, (ch 3, sc in next ch sp) twice, ch 1, skip 2 dc, dc in each dc before ch-2 sp, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in each dc up to 2 dc before ch-1 sp, ch 1, skip 2 dc, sc in next ch sp, ch 3. Repeat from ** around. Join with sI st in first sc.

Rnd 18: SI st in ch-3 sp, ch 4 (counts as dc and ch), (dc, (ch, dc) three times) in same ch-3 sp, skip the next ch-3 sp, skip the next ch-1 sp, skip the next dc, dc in each dc before ch-2 sp, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in each dc up to the dc before ch-1 sp, skip the next dc, skip the next ch-1 sp, skip next ch-3 sp, ** (dc, (ch, dc) four times) in next ch-3 sp, skip the next ch-3 sp, skip the next dc, dc in each dc before ch-2 sp, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in each dc up to the dc before ch-1 sp, skip the next dc, skip the next ch-1 sp, skip next ch-3 sp. Repeat from ** around. Join with sI st in third ch.

Rnd 19: Same as rnd 17.

Rnd 20: Same as rnd 18.

Rnd 21: Same as rnd 17.

Rnd 22: SI st in ch-3 sp, ch 4 (counts as dc and ch), (dc, (ch, dc) three times) in same ch-3 sp, skip the next ch-3 sp, skip the next ch-1 sp, skip the next dc, dc in each dc before ch-2 sp, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in each dc up to the dc before ch-1 sp, skip the next dc, skip the next ch-1 sp, skip next ch-3 sp, ** (dc, (ch, dc) four times) in next ch-3 sp, skip the next ch-3 sp, skip the next dc, dc in each dc before ch-2 sp, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in each dc up to the dc before ch-1 sp, skip the next dc, skip the next ch-1 sp, skip next ch-3 sp. Repeat from ** around. Join with sI st in third ch.

Repeat rounds 17 through 22 until blanket is desired size.

The blanket can be made in a solid color or can be made with any number of color changes. The best way to make a color change is to complete all but the last slip stitch at the beginning of a round. Cut yarn with a few inches of tail and join with new color next to stitch. Pull new color through for the slip stitch. Weave in ends.

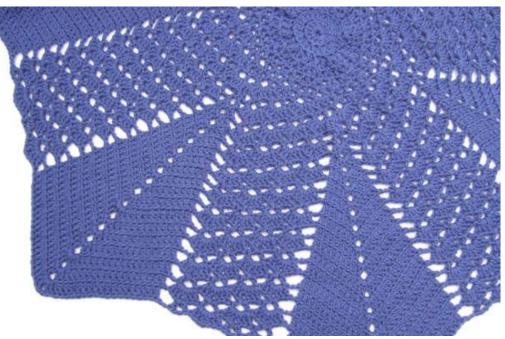


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<u>Baby Blanket Patterns!</u>

Shell and V-stitch Round Ripple Blanket By: Heather Tucker from Mama's Stitchery Projects

The Shell and V-stitch Round Ripple Blanket has everything, literally. This crochet blanket is worked up from a basic round ripple pattern and includes panels of shell and v-stitch crochet. The result is a six-point star that can be made in one color or many. This round ripple pattern can make a baby blanket, lapghan or throw. Make this truly unique vintage style afghan as a gift or for yourself.



Skill Level: Easy

Size: This blanket can be made any size. Five widths are given in the directions:

# of Rounds	Inches point to	Inches of	Yards of yarn	Ounces of yarn
	point	smallest area		
21	31	25.67	420.19	8.29
24	36	29.33	552.68	10.9
27	41	33	705.99	13.93
30	46	36.67	876.34	17.29
33	51	40.33	1067.51	21.06

Materials

- Aran weight yarn
- US size I/9 (5.5 mm) hook

Pattern:

Rnd 1: Ch 4, join with sl st to form a ring. Ch 3 (counts as first dc), 11 dc into the ring. Join with sl st in third ch. (12 dc)

Rnd 2: Ch 3, 1 dc in same st, 2 dc in each st around. Join with sl st in third ch. (24 dc)

Rnd 3: Ch 3, 1 dc in same st, 2 dc in each st around. Join with sl st in third ch. (48 dc)

Rnd 4: SI st in space between beginning chain of rnd 3 and next dc. Ch 3 and dc in same space. Skip 2 dc, (dc, ch 1, dc) in space between dc. Repeat the following for the round: skip 2 dc, 2 dc in space between dc, skip 2 dc, (dc, ch 1, dc) in space between dc. Join with sI st in third ch. (12 2dc clusters, 12 v-stitches)

Rnd 5: SI st in space between beginning chain of rnd 4 and next dc. Ch 4 and dc in same space. Skip 2 dc, (dc, ch 1, dc) in ch sp. Repeat the following for the round: skip 2 dc, (dc, ch 1, dc) in space between dc, skip 2 dc, (dc, ch 1, dc) in ch sp. Join with sI st in third ch. (24 v-stitches)

Rnd 6: SI st in ch sp. Ch 4 and dc in same space. Skip 2 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp. Repeat the following for the round: skip 2 dc, (dc, ch 1, dc) in ch sp, skip 2 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp. Join with sI st in third ch. (12 1ch-v-stitches, 12 2ch-v-stitches)

Rnd 7: SI st in ch sp. Ch 5 and dc in same space. Skip 2 dc, (2 dc, ch 1, 2 dc) in ch sp. Repeat the following for the round: skip 2 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, skip 2 dc, (2 dc, ch 1, 2 dc) in ch sp. Join with sI st in third ch. (12 v-stitches, 12 shells)

Rnd 8: SI st in ch sp. Ch 3 and 2 dc, ch 1, 3 dc in same space. Skip 3 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp. Repeat the following for the round: skip 3 dc, (3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in ch sp, skip 3 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp. Join with sI st in third ch. (12 shells, 12 v-stitches)

Rnd 9: SI st in 2 dc, sI st in ch sp. Ch 5 and dc in same space. Skip 4 dc, (3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in ch sp, ch 1, skip 1 dc, in space between v-stitch and shell, work 2 dc, ch 2. Repeat the following for the round: skip 3 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in ch sp, ch 1, skip 1 dc, in space between v-stitch and shell, work 2 dc, ch 2. Join with sI st in third ch.

Rnd 10: Sl st in ch sp. Ch 3 and 2 dc, ch 1, 3 dc in same space. Skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, ch 2, skip 4 dc, in space between dc work (dc, ch 2, dc), ch 1. Repeat the following for the round: skip 2 dc, (3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, in space between dc work (dc, ch 2, dc), ch 1. Join with sl st in third ch.

Rnd 11: SI st in 2 dc, sI st in ch sp. Ch 5 and dc in same space. Skip 4 dc, (3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in ch sp, ch 1, skip 2 dc, in ch sp work (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc), ch 2. Repeat the following for the round: skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in ch sp, ch 1, skip 2 dc, in ch sp work (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc), ch 2. Join with sI st in third ch.

Rnd 12: SI st in ch sp. Ch 3, 2 dc, ch 1, 3 dc in same space. Skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, ch 2, skip 4 dc, dc in next dc, in ch sp (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc), dc in next dc, ch 1. Repeat the following for the round: skip 2 dc, (3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, ch 2, skip 4 dc, dc in next dc, in ch sp work (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc), dc in next dc, ch 1. Join with sI st in third ch.

Rnd 13: SI st in 2 dc, sI st in ch sp. Ch 5 and dc in same space. Skip 4 dc, (3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in ch sp, ch 1, skip 2 dc, dc in next 2 dc, in ch sp work (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc), dc in next 2 dc, ch 2. Repeat the following for the round: skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in ch sp, ch 1, skip 2 dc, dc in next 2 dc, in ch sp work (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc), dc in next 2 dc, ch 2. Join with sI st in third ch.

Rnd 14: SI st in ch sp. Ch 3, 2 dc, ch 1, 3 dc in same space. Skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, ch 2, skip 4 dc, dc in each dc up to the ch sp, in ch sp work (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc), dc in each dc up to the last dc before ch sp, ch 1. Repeat the following for the rnd: skip 2 dc, (3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, ch 2, skip 4 dc, dc in each dc up to ch sp, in ch sp (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc), dc in each dc up to the last dc before ch sp, ch 1. Join with sI st in third ch.

Rnd 15: SI st in 2 dc, sI st in ch sp. Ch 5 and dc in same space. Skip 4 dc, (3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in ch sp, ch 1, skip 2 dc, dc in each dc up to the ch sp, in ch sp work (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc), dc in each dc up to last dc before ch sp, ch 2. Repeat the following for the round: skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (3 dc, ch1, 3 dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, ch 1, skip 2 dc, dc in each dc up to the ch sp, in ch sp work (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc), dc in each dc up to the last dc before ch sp, ch 2. Join with sI st in third ch.

Repeat rounds 14 and 15 until blanket is desired size. On every 8th round (round 16, 24, etc.) work (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in each of the six points. This adjustment will help keep the blanket flat.

Rnds 16, 24 etc: SI st in ch sp. Ch 3 and 2 dc, ch 1, 3 dc in same space. Skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, ch 2, skip 4 dc, dc in each dc up to the ch sp, in ch sp work (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc), dc in each dc up to the last dc before ch sp, ch 1. Repeat the following for the round: skip 2 dc, (3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in ch sp, skip 4 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in ch sp, ch 2, skip 4 dc, dc in each dc up to the ch sp, in ch sp work (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc), dc in each dc up to the last dc before ch sp, ch 1. Join with sI st in third ch.

The blanket can be made in a solid color or can be made with any number of color changes. The best way to make a color change is to complete all but the last slip stitch at the beginning of a round. Cut yarn with a few inches of tail and join with new color next to stitch. Pull new color through for the slip stitch. Weave in ends.

Raspberry Sherbet Round Ripple By: Doris from Ideal Delusions

Deliciously fun, the Raspberry Sherbet Round Ripple will have you grinning from ear to ear. Round crochet blankets look terrific, and this pattern is perfect for those already familiar with the round ripple technique. This crochet pattern also teaches you how to crochet a flower and add it to the afghan for a special touch. Make this ripple pattern for Valentine's Day or for a girl's room.



Skill Level: Intermediate

Size: 56" diameter

Materials:

- Caron Simply Soft Yarn:
 - o Soft Pink (Color A, 12 oz)
 - Vanilla (Color B, 6 oz)
 - Harvest Rose (Color C, 6 oz)
 - Dark Sage (Color D, 2 oz)
- US size J/10 (6 mm) hook

Special Stitches:

Crossed Double Crochet: The crossed dc is worked over an area of two stitches. To begin, *(skip the next stitch, make a double crochet in the following stitch, make a double crochet in the skipped stitch, skip 2 sts, dc in next st) around.

Basic Afghan Schematics:

Start with a loop "magic circle" or Ch 4 and join.

Rnd 1: Ch 2, counts as first dc throughout pattern, work 11 dc in ring, join with sl st in top of ch 2 throughout pattern. (12 dc)

Rnd 2: Ch 2, dc in same st, 2 dc in each dc around, join. (24 dc)

Rnd 3: Ch 2, (*skip next dc, work dc, ch 2, dc in next dc.) Even shell made. Repeat from * around, ending with dc in base of beginning stitch, ch 2, join sl st in top of ch 2. (12 even shells)

Rnd 4: SI st into ch 2 space and *ch 2, (*counts as first dc), (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) all in same space, in next ch 2 space work (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) "increase shell made" work 1 increase shell in each ch 2 space, around. Join. (12 increase shells)

Rnd 5: SI st into next st, ch 2, (*work increase shell in ch 2 space, dc in next dc, skip next 2 dc, dc in next st.) Repeat from * around, sk two sts, join to top of ch 2. Each point should now have 1 dc, an increase shell, 1 dc for a total of 6 dc.

Rnd 6: SI st into next st, ch 2, dc in next st, (*work "even shell" in ch 2 space, dc in each of next 2 dc, skip the next 2 sts, dc in each of next 2 dc.) Repeat from * around, ending with skip 2 sts. Join to top of ch 2. Each point now has 2 dc, an even shell, 2 dc for a total of 6 stitches (3 on each side).

Rnd 7: SI st into next st, ch 2, dc in next st, * work inc shell in next ch 2 sp, dc in next 2 sts, skip 2 sts, dc in next 2 sts. Repeat from * around, ending with skip 2 sts. Join.

Each point now has 2dc, an increase shell, 2 dc for a total of 8 stitches. 4 dc on each side of ch 2 point.

Rnd 8: St into next st, ch 2, dc in next 2 sts, * work increase shell in ch 2 space, dc in next 3 sts, skip next 2 sts, dc in the next 3 sts. Repeat from * around, ending with skip 2 sts. Join. Each point now has 3dc, an increase shell, 3 dc for a total of 10 stitches or 5 dc on each side of ch 2 point or total 120 sts.

Rnd 9: SI st into next st, ch 2, dc in next 3 sts, * work even shell in ch 2 sp, dc in next 4 sts, skip next 2 sts, dc in next 4 sts. Repeat from * around, ending with skip 2 sts. Join.

Rnd 10: SI st into next st, ch 2, dc in next 3 sts, * work increase shell in ch 2 space, dc in next 4 sts, skip next 2 sts, dc in next 4 sts. Repeat from * around, ending with skip 2 sts. Join.

Rnd 11: SI st into next st, ch 2, dc in next 4 sts, * work increase shell in ch 2 space, dc in next 5 sts, skip next 2 sts, dc in next 5 sts. Repeat from * around, ending with skip 2 sts. Join.

Rnd 12: SI st into next st, ch 2, dc in next 5 sts, * work even shell in ch 2 sp, dc in next 6 sts, skip next 2 sts, dc in next 6 sts. Repeat from * around, ending with skip 2 sts. Join.

Continue working in rounds in pattern as established, always working 1 round with even shells followed by 2 rounds with increase shells. As you continue repeating rounds the number of dc will increase 24 stitches (2 stitches each point) on every increase round until the desired size of afghan is accomplished.

Pattern:

Follow the basic pattern above with the following color specs. This entire afghan is worked in double crochet stitches.

Rnds 1-17: Color A.

Rnds 18-19: Color B.

Rnds 20: Color C.

Rnds 21-22: Color B.

Rnds 23-26: Color A.

Rnds 27-32: Color C.

Rnds 33-34: Color B.

Rnds 35: Color A crossed double crochet stitch or regular double crochet, your choice.

Rnd 36-37: Color B.

Rnd 38-41: Color C working round making large shell in all points.

Border Round:

Rnd 42: Using Color B Start in 2nd stitch at bottom of any point; *sc, ch 3, work picot, sk 1 st, sc in next st* to point. 2 sc, with picot in point, work in pattern down left side of point, skipping the two center stitches at the bottom of the points work around, join end off. Work in ends

Heart Shapes Leaf (make 12):

Using color D, start with magic circle, sl st in ring chain 4, 5 tr, 5 dc, ch 3, sl st in first ch to form picot, 5 dc, 5 tr, chain 4 sl st, all in ring.

Pull yarn tail and draw ring tightly closed.

Tie, work in ends.

Flower pattern (make 12):

Using color A, start with magic circle or adjustable loop, sl st in ring, ch 3, 2 dc, ch 3, sl in ring; repeat three more times, join to first st for 4 petal flower. Pull yarn tail to close center of flower, tie. Do not trim yarn.

Use yarn tail to form shank of button or if you prefer to sew on the flower, the next step may be eliminated and you may use the yarn tail to sew the button.

To create shank on button: Lay crochet hook on back of button.

Stitch across hook several times to form shank of button.

Secure yarn tail and remove hook.

Vine:

This afghan has 12 flowers and leaves, but more may be added if desired.

Flowers and leaves may be sewn on or you may secure them with a slip stitch, such as you would apply beads, while the vine is crocheted onto the afghan.

Finishing:

With Color D and working on front of afghan, join yarn in first space between rows 29 and 30. You will add leaves or flowers in the same method you would add a bead. Slip stitch in each space to 3 sps before point.

Thread yarn through center of leaf and complete sc.

Sc in next two spaces. Thread yarn through shank of button flower and complete sc. Slip stitch in each sp to bottom of point.

Sc in both spaces at bottom of point and continue around.

Put leaf and flower button on each point. End off, work in yarn ends.

French Country Round Ripple By: Doris from Ideal Delusions

Take a trip to the countryside with the French Country Round Ripple. This round ripple crochet afghan looks like green meadows and cool ponds. Yellow crochet flowers along the outer edge make this afghan look like spring has sprung. Full of intricate details, this isn't your typical round ripple pattern but is well worth the effort. This afghan would look beautiful in a summer home or on a nice rocking chair.



Skill Level: Intermediate

Size: Width, point to point = about 50-52"

Materials:

- Red Heart Super Saver:
 - o French Country (Color A, 14 oz)
 - Delft Blue (Color B, 7 oz)
 - o Light Blue (Color C, 8 oz)
 - o Bright Yellow (Color D, 4 oz)
 - White (Color E, 4 oz)
 - Green (Color F, 4 oz)
- US size 9 (5.5 mm) hook

Special Stitches:

Berry Stitch: Sc in first stitch, pull yarn through next stitch, holding back on first loop on hook chain 3, yarn over pull through 2 loops on hook, sc in next stitch. Keep loops of right side of work.

Basic Afghan Schematics:

Start with a loop "magic circle" or Ch 4 and join.

Rnd 1: Ch 2, counts as first dc throughout pattern, work 11 dc in ring, join with sl st in top of ch 2 throughout pattern. (12 dc)

Rnd 2: Ch 2, dc in same st, 2 dc in each dc around, join. (24 dc)

Rnd 3: Ch 2, (*skip next dc, work dc, ch 2, dc in next dc.) Even shell made. Repeat from * around, ending with dc in base of beginning stitch, ch 2, join sl st in top of ch 2. (12 even shells)

Rnd 4: SI st into ch 2 space and *ch 2, (*counts as first dc), (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) all in same space, in next ch 2 space work (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) "increase shell made" work 1 increase shell in each ch 2 space, around. Join. (12 increase shells)

Rnd 5: SI st into next st, ch 2, (*work increase shell in ch 2 space, dc in next dc, skip next 2 dc, dc in next st.) Repeat from * around, sk two sts, join to top of ch 2. Each point should now have 1 dc, an increase shell, 1 dc for a total of 6 dc.

Rnd 6: SI st into next st, ch 2, dc in next st, (*work "even shell" in ch 2 space, dc in each of next 2 dc, skip the next 2 sts, dc in each of next 2 dc.) Repeat from * around, ending with skip 2 sts. Join to top of ch 2. Each point now has 2 dc, an even shell, 2 dc for a total of 6 stitches (3 on each side).

Rnd 7: SI st into next st, ch 2, dc in next st, * work inc shell in next ch 2 sp, dc in next 2 sts, skip 2 sts, dc in next 2 sts. Repeat from * around, ending with skip 2 sts. Join.

Each point now has 2dc, an increase shell, 2 dc for a total of 8 stitches. 4 dc on each side of ch 2 point.

Rnd 8: St into next st, ch 2, dc in next 2 sts, * work increase shell in ch 2 space, dc in next 3 sts, skip next 2 sts, dc in the next 3 sts. Repeat from * around, ending with skip 2 sts. Join. Each point now has 3dc, an increase shell, 3 dc for a total of 10 stitches or 5 dc on each side of ch 2 point or total 120 sts.

Rnd 9: SI st into next st, ch 2, dc in next 3 sts, * work even shell in ch 2 sp, dc in next 4 sts, skip next 2 sts, dc in next 4 sts. Repeat from * around, ending with skip 2 sts. Join.

Rnd 10: SI st into next st, ch 2, dc in next 3 sts, * work increase shell in ch 2 space, dc in next 4 sts, skip next 2 sts, dc in next 4 sts. Repeat from * around, ending with skip 2 sts. Join.

Rnd 11: SI st into next st, ch 2, dc in next 4 sts, * work increase shell in ch 2 space, dc in next 5 sts, skip next 2 sts, dc in next 5 sts. Repeat from * around, ending with skip 2 sts. Join.

Rnd 12: SI st into next st, ch 2, dc in next 5 sts, * work even shell in ch 2 sp, dc in next 6 sts, skip next 2 sts, dc in next 6 sts. Repeat from * around, ending with skip 2 sts. Join.

Continue working in rounds in pattern as established, always working 1 round with even shells followed by 2 rounds with increase shells. As you continue repeating rounds the number of dc will increase 24 stitches (2 stitches each point) on every increase round until the desired size of afghan is accomplished.

Pattern:

Following the basic afghan schematics (above), follow along with the following specifications. This entire afghan is worked in double crochet stitches unless noted.

Rnds 1-12: Color A.

Rnd 13: Color D, berry stitch.

Rnd 14: Color E.

Rnds 15-17: Color B.

Rnds 18-20: Color C.

Rnds 21-27: Color A.

Rnd 28: Color D, berry stitch.

Rnd 29: Color E.

Rnds 30-32: Color B.

Rnds 33-36: Color C.

Border:

With Color E, ch 3, skip one stitch, in next stitch work *dc, picot in top of same stitch, 4 times, dc in same stitch; sk next st, dc in next st, skip one stitch* repeat from around. Join in top of beginning chain 3.

Vine:

The vine is worked as a slip stitch in the space between the rows. The leaves are worked in the crocodile stitch while the vine is added. Holding yarn on top of work, insert hook in space between rows, under the stitch, front to back to front, under the stitch bar, as if the hook were a sewing needle. Catch yarn and pull it through to the front of the piece. Holding the loop on hook, insert hook under the next stitch front to back to front, under the stitch bar, pull yarn through to front and through loop on hook completing a slip stitch. Repeat process to create a slip stitch.

A leaf requires 2 double crochet stitches as a base. When you wish to add a leaf, rotate your piece to the left or right, sl st into the space between the double crochet stitches. Ch 3, 4 dc working across the bar of the double crochet stitch. Ch 2, drop loop from hook, place hook (front to back to front) under bar between next row, pick up dropped loop and pull it through, ch 1, sl st in first chain. This creates the first half of the leaf and secures the tip so it will not fold back on itself. At this point you will need to rotate your piece so you can work the second series of double crochet stitches across the second crochet and back toward the the vine. Work 4 dc across the bar for the second side of the leaf, ch 3, slip stitch back into the vine.

Heart Shape Leaf Pattern (make 24):

Using color D, start with magic circle, sl st in ring chain 4, 5 tr, 5 dc, ch 3, sl st in first ch to form picot, 5 dc, 5 tr, chain 4 sl st, all in ring. Pull yarn tail and draw ring tightly closed. Tie, work in ends. Make 24.

Crochet Flower Buttons (make 12 yellow and 12 white):

SI st in ring, chain 3, 2 dc, ch 3, sI in ring; repeat three more times, join to first st for 4 petal flower.

Pull yarn tail to close center of flower, tie. Do not trim yarn. Use yarn tail to form shank of button or if you desire to sew on the flower, the next step may be eliminated and you may use the yarn tail to sew the button.

Lay crochet hook across the chosen back of button and stitch over hook several times to create the shank of the button. Afghan has 24 flowers and leaves but more may be added if desired. Flowers and leaves may be sewn on or you may secure them with a slip stitch, such as you would apply beads, while the vine is crocheted onto the afghan.

To crochet leaves and flowers in place: Working on front of afghan, Join yarn in first space between rows 34 and 35. Count stitches on one side of point. Slip stitch in each space, on the first side of a point, to half way position between the valley and the point. Thread the working yarn through center of leaf and complete sc. Sc in next two spaces. Thread yarn through shank of button flower and complete sc. Sl st around the point to the half way position between the point and the valley, on the second side, and attach flower and leaf. Alternate color of flowers or position of leaf as desired. Slip Stitch in each sp to bottom of point. Sc in both spaces at bottom of point and continue around placing leaves and flowers as you progress, work around. End off, work in yarn ends.

Layered Circles Round Afghan By: Kim Kotary of Red Heart Yarn

Making this Layered Circle Round Afghan might make you dizzy, but it will definitely be worth it! This round crochet afghan pattern is a beauty, and lucky for you, it's not even hard to make. The stitch pattern used will work up with some added ridges to give this round crochet blanket some fun texture. Work up this lapghan with four of your favorite colors to make a lovely accessory that's uniquely you!



Skill Level: Intermediate

Gauge: Rounds 1-3 = 4" in diameter

Materials:

- Red Heart "Eco-Ways":
 - #1615 Lichen (A, 3 skeins)
 - #3314 Chamois (B, 3 skeins)
 - #3523 Asparagus (C, 3 skeins)
 - #3360 Mushroom (D, 3 skeins)
- US size I/9 (5.5 mm) hook
- Yarn needle

Special Stitches:

Stripe Sequence: Work 1 round with A, 2 rounds with B, 3 rounds with C, 2 rounds with A, 3 rounds with D, 2 rounds with B, 3 rounds with C, 3 rounds with D, 1 round with A, 2 rounds with D, 4 rounds with B, 2 rounds with C, 2 rounds with A, 1 round with B, 2 rounds with D, 3 rounds with C, 3 rounds with A, 2 rounds with B, 1 round with D and 1 round with A. Work these 47 rounds for Stripe Sequence.

Pattern:

With A, ch 4, slip st in first st to form a ring.

Rnd 1: Ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1), [dc in ring, ch 1] 11 times, slip st in 3rd ch of beginning ch to join. Fasten off.

Rnd 2: Join B in any ch-space, ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), 2 dc in same ch-space, [3 dc] in each ch-space around, slip st in top of beginning ch to join.

Rnd 3: Ch 1, *sc in first dc of dc-group, ch 3, skip next dc, sc in next dc, Fptr around dc 2 rows below; repeat from * around, slip st in first sc to join. Fasten off.

Follow Stripe Sequence to change colors. If joining new color, join in indicated st. If continuing with same color, slip st to indicated st.

Rnd 4: In ch-space, ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), 3 dc in same ch-space, [4 dc] in each ch-space around, slip st in top of beginning ch to join.

Rnd 5: In first dc of dc-group, ch 1, *sc in first dc, ch 4, skip 2 dc, sc in next dc, Fptr around Fptr 2 rows below; repeat from * around, slip st in first sc to join.

Rnd 6: In ch-space, ch 3, 4 dc in same ch-space, [5 dc] in each ch-space around, slip st in top of beginning ch to join.

Rnd 7: In first dc of dc-group, ch 1, *sc in first sc, ch 5, skip 3 dc, sc in next dc, Fptr around Fptr 2 rows below; repeat from * around, slip st in first sc to join.

Rnd 8: In ch-space, ch 3, 5 dc in same ch-space, [6 dc] in each ch-space around, slip st in top of beginning ch to join.

Rnd 9: In first dc of dc-group, ch 1, *sc in first dc, ch 6, skip 4 dc, sc in next dc, Fptr around Fptr 2 rows below; repeat from *, slip st in first sc to join.

Rnd 10: In ch-space, ch 3, 6 dc in same ch-space, [7 dc] in each ch-space around, slip st in top of beginning ch to join.

Rnd 11: In first dc of dc-group, ch 1, *sc in first dc, ch 1, skip next dc, sc in next dc, Fpdc around center dc of dc-group 2 rows below, sc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc, sc in next dc, Fptr around Fptr 2 rows below; repeat from * around, slip st in first sc to join.

Rnd 12: In ch-space, ch 3, 2 dc in same ch-space, [3 dc] in each ch-space around, slip st in top of ch-3 to join.

Rnd 13: In first dc of dc-group, ch 1, *sc in first dc, ch 3, skip 1 dc, sc in next dc, Fptr around Fptr 2 rows below, repeat from * around, slip st in first sc to join.

Keeping in Stripe Sequence, repeat Rounds 4-13 for 3 more times.

Repeat Rounds 12-13 once.

Repeat Rounds 4-5 once.

Fasten off.

Finishing:

Weave in ends.





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