Crochet • Beginner

Sunday Stripes Blanket

A baby blanket in granny stripe: rows of three-double-crochet clusters tucked between the clusters below, in four colours that change every two rows. Easy to make bigger for a throw.

Size

About 30½ × 35½ in (77 × 90 cm), a baby or stroller blanket.

Materials

- Yarn: worsted-weight (#4) cotton blend or acrylic in four colours, about 275 yds (250 m) of each of A, B, C and D (about 1,100 yds / 1,000 m in all).
- Hook: US H-8 (5 mm).
- Notions: tapestry needle.

Gauge

4 clusters (12 dc) and 8 rows = 4 in (10 cm) in granny stripe. Gauge is not critical; a different gauge changes the size and the yarn used.

Abbreviations

ch: chain
st(s): stitch(es)
cluster: 3 dc worked into the same space
*: repeat the instructions after the * as directed
dc: double crochet
sp(s): space(s)
rep: repeat

Notes

- US crochet terms. The ch-3 at the start of a row counts as 1 dc.
- The clusters always go into the spaces between the clusters of the row before, never into the stitches.
- Colours: two rows of each colour, in the order A, B, C, D, then A again. Change colour at the end of every second row: work the last step of the last dc with the new colour, and carry on.
- A second counter in Row & Round, linked and counting to 8, shows where you are in the four-colour repeat.
- To make a throw, start with a longer chain (any multiple of 3, plus 4) and work more repeats of the two granny rows.

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With A, ch 94.

☐ Start

Row 1: Dc in the 4th ch from the hook and in each ch across. (92 dc)

Row 2: Ch 3, turn, skip the next st, 3 dc in the next st, *skip the next 2 sts, 3 dc in the next st; rep from * to the last 2 sts, skip the next st, dc in the top of the ch-3. (30 clusters)

☐ Granny stripe

Row 3: Ch 3, turn, dc in the first sp, *3 dc in the next sp between clusters; rep from * to the last sp, dc in the last sp, dc in the top of the ch-3. (29 clusters and 2 half clusters)

Row 4: Ch 3, turn, 3 dc in each sp between clusters across, dc in the top of the ch-3. (30 clusters)

Rows 5–70: Work 33 more repeats of the last 2 rows, changing colour every 2 rows.

☐ Edge

Row 71: With A, ch 3, turn, dc in each st across. (92 dc)

☐ Finishing

- Fasten off. Weave in all the ends along stitches of the same colour.
- Optional edge: with A, work 1 round of sc evenly around the blanket, with 3 sc in each corner.

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