

Baby's Basket-Weave Afghan

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DIRECTIONS

Beginner

SIZE

38 x 40 inches

MATERIALS

- Red Heart TLC Baby sport weight yarn: 21 oz baby print #5040
- Sport weight yarn: 2 oz pale yellow
- Size J/10 crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Size I/9 crochet hook
- Tapestry needle

GAUGE

4 fphdc = 1 inch; 4 rows = 1 inch
Check gauge to save time.

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join rnds with a sl st unless otherwise stated.

Fphdc: Yo, insert hook from front to back to front again around vertical post of st directly below, yo, draw up a lp, yo, draw through all 3 lps on hook.

Bphdc: Yo, insert hook back to front to back again around vertical post of st directly below, yo, draw up a lp, yo, draw through all 3 lps on hook.

AFGHAN

Row 1: With size J hook and baby print, ch 137, hdc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc in each rem ch across, turn.

Row 2: Ch 1 (counts as first st throughout), fphdc around next 5 sts, [bphdc around next 5 sts, fphdc around next 5 sts] rep across, hdc in top of ch-1, turn.

Row 3: Ch 1, bphdc around each of next 5 sts, [fphdc around each of next 5 sts, bphdc around each of next 5 sts] rep across, hdc in top of beg ch-1, turn.

Alternating blocks create a lovely woven effect. Edged with a simple border of pale yellow, this afghan is suitable for either a baby boy or girl.



Rows 4 & 5: Rep Rows 2 and 3.

Row 6: Rep Row 3.

Rows 7 & 8: Rep Rows 2 and 3.

Row 9: Rep Row 2.

Rep Rows 2–9 until piece measures 37½ inches from beg, ending after a Row 5, fasten off.

BORDER

Rnd 1: With hook size I, attach pale yellow at center of opposite side of foundation ch, ch 1, sc evenly sp around outer edge, working [2 sc, ch 1, 2 sc] in each corner sp, join in beg sc.

Rnds 2–7: Ch 1, sc in each sc around, working [sc, ch 1, sc] in each corner ch-1 sp, join in beg sc.

At the end of Rnd 7, fasten off. ☞

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