Big hook blanket

Lap · US terms



Finished size
About 42½ × 52¼ in (108 × 133 cm)

Skill
Easy
One stitch throughout, worked in the third loop, and color changes between blocks

Yarn
Super bulky (6), 5 colors

Hook
15 mm (US P/Q)

Gauge
5½ stitches and 4½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In half double crochet in the third loop.

You will need

Yarn A: deep sage, main	**about 190 yd (174 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: sage, blanket, rows 15 to 28	**about 180 yd (165 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: pale sage, blanket, rows 29 to 42	**about 180 yd (165 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: ecru, blanket, rows 43 to 56	**about 180 yd (165 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: pine, the border	**about 100 yd (91 m), an estimate**

Hook: 15 mm (US P/Q), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a yarn needle with a large eye, scissors and a tape measure.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. The estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Lap (this file)	**42½ × 52¼ in (108 × 133 cm)**	**about 830 yd (759 m)**
Throw	52¾ × 59½ in (134 × 151 cm)	about 1,170 yd (1,070 m)

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Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

ch	chain stitch
sl st	slip stitch: insert hook in the place named, yo, pull through it and the loop on hook (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
hdc	half double crochet (UK htr, half treble)
Rnd	round
RS	right side
st	stitch
yo	yarn over (UK yrh, yarn round hook)

Gauge

5½ stitches and 4½ rows to 4 in (10 cm) in half double crochet in the third loop. Along a row, count every stitch and every chain between stitches as one.

Check it on the blanket itself, laid flat and not stretched, when 9 rows are done: the 55 stitches of a row in Lap are about 40 in (102 cm) wide, the 69 in Throw about 50¼ in (128 cm), and the 9 rows are about 8 in (20 cm) tall. If they measure more, start again with a smaller hook or work more tightly; if they measure less, with a larger hook or more loosely.

Before you start

- The ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch: the first hdc goes into the first st, the one the ch 1 rises from, and the last into the last st of the row.
- Third loop: look at the top of a half double crochet as it faces you after you turn. The two strands that form the V along the top edge are the loops a stitch is usually worked into. Just below them, on the side toward you, lies one more strand, level with the edge: that is the third loop. Put the hook under it from below, upward, and leave the two loops of the V alone; they fold away to the far side and lie there as a braid.
- Every row from row 2 on is worked so, its first and its last stitch too. The braids of the odd rows show on one side of the blanket and those of the even rows on the other, so that both sides look alike.
- Work loosely: each loop should be as wide as the thick part of the hook.
- To change yarn, work the last yarn over of the last hdc of the row before with the new yarn, so that the ch 1 of the new block is in it. The changes are at the ends of rows 14, 28 and 42 in (106.5 cm) Lap, and 16, 32 and 48 in (122 cm) Throw, always at the same edge. Cut the old yarn at each change. Leave a tail of about 8 in (20 cm) on the old yarn and on the new one.
- When a ball runs out in the rows, join the next at the end of a row with the last yarn over of its last hdc; in the border, join it within a side with the last yarn over of any sc. Leave a tail of about 8 in (20 cm) on both.
- Border: the stitches of the last row and of the border are worked under both loops, as usual. Work along the last row, down the ends of the rows, along the other side of the foundation chain, one sc in each chain, and up the ends of the rows. The 3 sc in one place turn a corner. Do not turn between rounds; the right side always faces. The ch 1 at the start of a round does not count as a stitch. Along the ends of the rows, put the hook through the edge stitch of the row, under two strands of it.
- To join E with a sl st, make a slip knot of it on the hook, put the hook in the place named, yo, and pull through the place and the loop on the hook.
- Leave a tail of about 8 in (20 cm) when you begin and when you fasten off. The tails are woven in at the end.

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Instructions

Chosen: Lap. Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a row is done. In UK terms sl st is slip stitch, sc is double crochet, hdc is half treble and yo is yarn round hook.

Blanket

Yarns in order of use: A, deep sage; B, sage; C, pale sage; D, ecru.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 56.	

Block in A, deep sage

☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(55 hdc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 14**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in third loop of each st across	**(55 hdc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 14: tick them off as you go.

☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12 ☐ 13 ☐ 14

Block in B, sage

☐ **Row 15**	With B, ch 1, turn; hdc in third loop of each st across	**(55 hdc)**
☐ **Rows 16 to 28**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in third loop of each st across	**(55 hdc)**

A box for each row, 16 to 28: tick them off as you go.

☐ 16 ☐ 17 ☐ 18 ☐ 19 ☐ 20 ☐ 21 ☐ 22 ☐ 23 ☐ 24 ☐ 25 ☐ 26 ☐ 27 ☐ 28

Block in C, pale sage

☐ **Row 29**	With C, ch 1, turn; hdc in third loop of each st across	**(55 hdc)**
☐ **Rows 30 to 42**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in third loop of each st across	**(55 hdc)**

A box for each row, 30 to 42: tick them off as you go.

☐ 30 ☐ 31 ☐ 32 ☐ 33 ☐ 34 ☐ 35 ☐ 36 ☐ 37 ☐ 38 ☐ 39 ☐ 40 ☐ 41 ☐ 42

Block in D, ecru

☐ **Row 43**	With D, ch 1, turn; hdc in third loop of each st across	**(55 hdc)**
☐ **Rows 44 to 56**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in third loop of each st across	**(55 hdc)**

A box for each row, 44 to 56: tick them off as you go.

☐ 44 ☐ 45 ☐ 46 ☐ 47 ☐ 48 ☐ 49 ☐ 50 ☐ 51 ☐ 52 ☐ 53 ☐ 54 ☐ 55 ☐ 56

☐ **End**	Fasten off.

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Border

Yarn E, pine.

Round 1 begins at the right-hand end of the last row. The last row was a wrong side row: turn the piece, so that the right side faces you and the last row is at the top. The first st is then the last hdc of that row.

☐ **Foundation**	Work around the edge of the piece, right side facing: the 55 sts of the last row, the ends of the 56 rows, the 55 chs of the foundation, the ends of the 56 rows.
☐ **Rnd 1**	Join E with sl st in first st, ch 1, 3 sc in first st, sc in next 53 sts, 3 sc in next st, **[**sc in end of each of next 4 rows, 2 sc in end of next row**] 11 times**, sc in end of next row, 3 sc in next ch, sc in next 53 chs, 3 sc in next ch, **[**sc in end of each of next 4 rows, 2 sc in end of next row**] 11 times**, sc in end of next row; join with sl st in first sc **(252 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, sc in same st as join, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 55 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 69 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 55 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 68 sts; join with sl st in first sc **(260 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.

Finishing

- Weave in the ends with the yarn needle, each under at least six stitches of its own color, changing direction twice.

In all: 3,592 stitches (3,080 in the blanket, 512 in the border); 10 ends to weave in.

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