# Double ruffle blanket border

Baby blanket · US terms



Finished size
**About 39½ × 39½ in (100 × 100 cm)**
With its border. The panel alone: about 39½ × 39½ in (100 × 100 cm)

Skill
**Easy**
Increases, work in the back loops and in the front loops

Yarn
**Medium (4), 3 colors**

Hook
**5.5 mm (US I-9)**

Gauge
**13 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm)**
In single crochet (UK double crochet).

## What you need

Yarn A: white, blanket stitch, round 1 and upper ruffle **about 325 yd (297 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: mint green, round 2 and lower ruffle **about 525 yd (480 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: pink, edge of the upper ruffle **about 75 yd (69 m), an estimate**
By weight: about 460 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: yarn needle, scissors, tape measure, a sharp embroidery needle with a large eye and hemmed flannel blanket, its size is given below.

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 and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added. For another length of edge, the yarn for a side is in proportion to its length.

## Sizes

| Size | Finished size, about | Yarn, an estimate |
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| **Lovey** | 18½ × 18½ in (47 × 47 cm) | about 380 yd (347 m) |
| **Baby blanket (this file)** | **39½ × 39½ in (100 × 100 cm)** | **about 925 yd (846 m)** |
| **Throw** | 55½ × 55½ in (141 × 141 cm) | about 1,310 yd (1,198 m) |

## Gauge

**13 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm)** in single crochet.

**Check your gauge on the piece.** Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 1 a side, measured between two corner stitches, is about 34.2 in (86.9 cm). If this first round ruffles, use a smaller hook; if it pulls the cloth in, use a larger one.


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For another cloth any number of loops along a side will do, with one at each corner, spaced as told. In round 1 "109 sts" is the number of loops of a side; in round 2 "111 sts" is that number plus 2. Count the dc round 2 leaves and call them N: the loops along all four sides, and 20 more. Then "455 sts", in round 3 and in round 1 of the upper ruffle, is N less 1, and "911 sts", in all the rounds where it stands, is 2 × N less 1. If the cloth is longer than it is wide, work each side with the number of loops it has. The lines are written as one side and then, in the brackets, the corner and the side that follow it; where the brackets say 3 times, work what is in them once for each of the other three sides.

## Notes

- Round 1 is worked into the loops of the blanket stitch, one after another. Its first st is the loop that lies across any one of the corners.
- Blanket stitch: thread a sharp embroidery needle with a large eye with yarn A, a length of about 40 in (101.6 cm) at a time, of which about 3 in (7.6 cm) at either end is a tail, and hold the cloth with its right side up and the edge you are working on toward you. Fasten the yarn on the wrong side, at the edge. * Put the needle in from the front about 0.25 in (0.6 cm) inside the edge and about 0.31 in (0.8 cm) farther along, bring its point out under the edge and over the yarn that lies there, and draw up until the yarn lies snugly along the edge without puckering it. Repeat from * all round. The yarn that lies along the edge between two stitches is one loop. At a corner, make one slanting stitch on either side of the point, so that one loop lies across the corner. When a length runs out, end it and begin the next on the wrong side, in the same hole. At the end, join the last loop to the first stitch and fasten off.
- Corner stitch of round 1: the middle one of the 3 sc in a corner. The first corner of round 1 is begun with 2 sc and completed with the 1 sc at the end of the round, all worked into the first st; its corner stitch is the first sc of the round. In a round after the first, "first st" means the first st of the round below; for round 2 that is this same first sc, where round 1 was joined.
- Corners: in rounds 1 and 2 every corner stitch takes 3 sts. The first corner of round 2 is begun with the ch 3 and 1 dc and completed with the dc at the end of the round, all in the first st. From round 3 on the corners need nothing of their own: every st takes the same, all the way round, and the ruffle turns the corner by itself.
- Of the two loops at the top of a st the back loop is the one farther from you and the front loop the one nearer to you. BLO is the back loop only. The slip stitch that joins round 2 goes into the back loop only of the top of the ch 3. Work the whole of round 3 in the back loops: the "dc in same st" too goes into the back loop only, so that a front loop stays free at every st of round 2, also at the top of its ch 3.
- The upper ruffle: hold the blanket as you held it for round 3, with the right side facing you and the edge at the top, and fold the lower ruffle back, away from you, so that the free front loops of round 2 lie along the top. The first st is the front loop of the middle one of the 3 dc in any corner; go on to the left (to the right if you are left handed), one front loop for each st, corners too. When the round is done let both ruffles fall: the white one lies on the mint one.
- For the last round of the upper ruffle work the slip stitch that joins round 2 of the ruffle with yarn C: put the hook in the top of the ch 3, and draw yarn C through. Cut yarn A, leaving a tail of about 6 in (15.2 cm).
- Work the ruffles at your usual tension: do not try to hold them flat. Each has twice as many sts as round 2, and the folds come from that alone.
- The ch 3 at the start of a round counts as a dc.
- A ch 1 at the start of a round does not count as a stitch.
- Where several stitches have one place after them, as in "3 sc in next st", they are all worked into that one place.
- What is in square brackets is worked as many times as the number after them says, in all.
- Every round is worked with the right side facing; do not turn.
- When the next round begins with "Join", fasten off the yarn you have at the end of the round (cut it, leaving a tail of about 6 in (15.2 cm), and draw the tail through the last loop). Then join the yarn named with a slip stitch in the place named.


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- Buy whole balls from one dye lot.
- Begin with a hemmed flannel blanket about 33.8 in (85.9 cm) square; with the edging it is about 39.5 in (100.3 cm) square. The size is measured with the ruffles drawn out straight; left alone they lie in folds and the whole is a little smaller.
- Before you begin, work blanket stitch round the edge in yarn A: one loop at each corner and 109 loops along each side, 440 loops in all, spaced 13 to every 4 in (10.2 cm). Its yarn is in the amount below and the ends of its lengths (about 11 lengths) are among the ends to weave in.
- Round 1 leaves 111 stitches between two corner stitches on every side.
- From the line where they begin the lower ruffle is about 2 in (5.1 cm) long (rounds 3 to 6) and the upper ruffle about 1.4 in (3.6 cm) (its rounds 1 to 3).
- Round 2 leaves 456 dc: that is the number of front loops for the upper ruffle.

## Instructions

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**ch** chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **rnd** round, **st** stitch.
**BLO**: only the loop away from you.
**3 sc in next st**: all in one stitch.
**[ ] 3 times**: work what is inside 3 times in all.
**(448 sc)**: the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

### Edging

**Yarns in order of use: A, white; B, mint green.**

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| ☐ **Foundation** | A hemmed flannel blanket with a blanket stitch edge of 109 loops on each side and one at each corner, with the right side facing you. | |
| ☐ **Rnd 1** | Join A with sl st in first st, ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in next 109 sts,<br>**[**3 sc in next st, sc in next 109 sts**] 3 times**, sc in first st, sl st in first sc to join | (448 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 2** | Join B with sl st in first st, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same st, dc in next 111 sts,<br>**[**3 dc in next st, dc in next 111 sts**] 3 times**, dc in first st,<br>sl st in top of ch-3 to join | (456 dc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 3** | Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same st, 2 dc in BLO of each of next 455 sts,<br>sl st in top of ch-3 to join | (912 dc) |
| ☐ **Rnds 4 to 5**<br>4 5 | Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 911 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join | (912 dc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 6** | Ch 1, sc in first st, sc in next 911 sts, sl st in first sc to join | (912 sc) |
| ☐ **End** | Fasten off. | |


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### Upper ruffle

**Yarns in order of use: C, pink; A, white.**

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| ☐ **Foundation** | The upper edge of the dc of round 2: 456 sts round, each st one free front loop, with the right side facing you. | |
| ☐ **Rnd 1** | Join A with sl st in first st, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same st, 2 dc in each of next 455 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join | (912 dc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 2** | Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 911 sts, sl st in top of ch-3 to join. Change to yarn C in the slip stitch that joins it. | (912 dc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 3** | Ch 1, sc in first st, sc in next 911 sts, sl st in first sc to join | (912 sc) |
| ☐ **End** | Fasten off. | |

## Finishing

- Weave in the ends.

In all: 2 pieces; 7,288 stitches (4,552 in the edging, 2,736 in the upper ruffle); 30 ends to weave in.

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