Heart granny square baby blanket

US terms



Finished size
About 28¾ in (73 cm) wide and about 34¼ in (87 cm) tall

Skill
Easy
Worked in rounds, with 60 pieces and color changes.

Yarn
Medium (4), 2 colors

Hook
5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge
14 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: red, the hearts and the border	**about 295 yd (270 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: ivory, the squares and the seams	**about 935 yd (855 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8). Also: a yarn needle, scissors, pins for blocking and a spray bottle.

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

Abbreviations

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

ch	chain stitch
sl st	slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
hdc	half double crochet (UK htr, half treble)
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
sk	skip
sp	space
st	stitch
rnd	round
RS	right side

Gauge

14 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 2 the square measures about 2½ in (6 cm) across. If yours is larger, use a smaller hook; if it is smaller, use a larger hook.

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Before you start

- Rounds are worked with the right side facing; do not turn.
- Magic ring: wrap the yarn round two fingers, work the first round or row into the loop, then pull the tail until the ring is closed. Four chains joined into a ring with a slip stitch may be used instead.
- A chain that counts as a stitch is marked so in its line and is included in the count.
- A chain 1 at the start of a round does not count as a stitch.
- A slip stitch at the start of a round only carries the yarn to the place named; the first stitch of the round is worked in that same place. If stitches lie between the joining and that place, slip stitch across them first.
- At the start of a round, same st is the stitch the round before was joined in.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line count its stitches and the chain spaces between them; slip stitches are not counted.
- The blanket is 30 squares, 6 rows of 5; add a row or a column to make it larger, and allow yarn in proportion.
- In round 2 of the heart the 3 hdc make the point, the two groups of 8 dc are the lobes and the slip stitch between them is the dip. In round 3 of the heart skip the slip stitch at the dip and work one ordinary sc on each side of it, with no decrease; the skip alone brings the two sides close to each other.
- The same words in another yarn make another size, measured the longest way: fine yarn (2) and a 3.25 mm hook, about 22¾ in (58 cm); light yarn (3) and a 4 mm hook, about 26¾ in (68 cm); bulky yarn (5) and a 6.5 mm hook, about 43¾ in (111 cm).

Instructions

Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. Round brackets ( ) inside a line hold stitches that all go into one place. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a round is done. In UK terms sl st is slip stitch, sc is double crochet, hdc is half treble and dc is treble.

Square: make 30

Yarn B, ivory.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, make a magic ring.
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in ring, ch 2, **[**3 dc in ring, ch 2**] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(12 dc, 4 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in same sp, dc in next 3 sts, **[**(2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 3 sts**] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(28 dc, 4 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in same sp, dc in next 7 sts, **[**(2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 7 sts**] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(44 dc, 4 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in same sp, dc in next 11 sts, **[**(2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 11 sts**] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(60 dc, 4 ch-2 sps)**

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☐ **Rnd 5**	Sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in same sp, dc in next 15 sts, **[**(2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next 15 sts**] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join	**(76 dc, 4 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.	

Heart: make 30

Yarn A, red.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), 15 dc in ring, sl st in top of ch-3 to join	**(16 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 3 hdc in same st, sc in next 4 sts, sk next st, 8 dc in next st, sk next st, sl st in next st, sk next st, 8 dc in next st, sk next st, sc in next 4 sts, sl st in first hdc to join	**(3 hdc, 8 sc, 16 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, sc in same st, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in each of next 6 sts, sc in next st, sk next sl st, sc in next st, 2 sc in each of next 6 sts, sc in next 5 sts, sl st in first sc to join	**(41 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 24 in (61 cm) tail for sewing.	

Assembly

1. Block every square to the same size, about 5 5/8 in (14.5 cm) across: pin it out on a flat surface, spray it with water and let it dry.

2. Sew to every square before you join any:

3. Lay the heart on the middle of the square, right sides up, with its point toward the middle of one side. Thread its tail on the yarn needle and sew it down with small running stitches just inside its edge, through both layers.

4. Weave in the ends of every square with the yarn needle.

5. Lay the 30 squares out in 6 rows of 5, right sides up, every heart the same way up.

6. Join with a slip stitch seam in B: hold two squares that lie side by side with right sides together. Begin with 1 slip stitch in the corner space of both, work 1 slip stitch through both in every stitch along the side (19 slip stitches), and end with 1 slip stitch in the next corner space of both; work under both top loops of the stitch on both squares. Join the squares of each row first, then join the rows to each other with one long seam each, going straight on from one pair of squares to the next. Fasten off at the end of each seam.

7. Border: with A and the right side facing, join with a slip stitch in any corner space of the blanket and ch 1, which does not count as a stitch; work 3 sc in each of the four corner spaces of the blanket, 1 sc in every stitch along the edges and 1 sc in each of the two corner spaces that meet at a seam; slip stitch in the first sc to join (466 sc). Fasten off.

Finishing

- Weave in all the ends of the seams and the border with the yarn needle.

In all: 60 pieces; 9,120 stitches (220 in each square, 84 in each heart); 180 ends to weave in.

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