Herringbone chunky baby blanket

Standard · US terms



Finished size
About 32 × 38¼ in (81 × 97 cm)

Skill
Easy
Stripes, a special stitch

Yarn
Bulky (5), 3 colors

Hook
8 mm (US L-11)

Gauge
10 stitches and 9 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In herringbone half double.

You will need

Yarn A: slate gray, main	**about 575 yd (526 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: ivory, contrast	**about 550 yd (503 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: mustard, contrast	**about 30 yd (27 m), an estimate**

Hook: 8 mm (US L-11). Also: yarn needle, scissors and tape measure.

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. To measure your own: work the swatch and measure it, mark the yarn where the swatch begins and ends, pull the swatch out and measure the yarn it took; divide by the area of the swatch and multiply by the area of the piece.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Standard (this file)	**32 × 38¼ in (81 × 97 cm)**	**about 1,155 yd (1,056 m)**
Small	26 × 30¼ in (66 × 77 cm)	about 750 yd (686 m)
Large	38 × 44 in (97 × 112 cm)	about 1,560 yd (1,427 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
RS	right side
st	stitch
yo	yarn over

Special stitches

hhdc (herringbone half double crochet): Yo, insert hook in the st, yo, pull up a loop and pull it straight through the first loop on hook, yo, pull through the 2 loops on hook. It leaves 1 st for the next row.

Gauge

10 stitches and 9 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in herringbone half double. Along a row, count every stitch and every chain between stitches as one.

The pattern also stops you to measure after row 7.

> **The swatch.** A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. The test piece is about 6 in (15 cm) wide and 6¼ in (16 cm) tall, so that you can count over 4 in (10 cm) in the middle of it.
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> | **Swatch foundation** | With A, ch 17. | |
> | **Swatch row 1 (RS)** | Hhdc in 3rd ch from hook and in each ch across | **(15 hhdcs)** |
> | **Swatch rows 2 to 14** | Ch 2, turn; hhdc in each st across | **(15 hhdcs)** |

For another width, make the chain longer or shorter: each chain is one more stitch. Measure your own gauge first.

Before you start

- The ch 2 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch: the first stitch of the row goes into the first st of the row below.
- Row 1 is the right side.
- Change yarn in the last yarn over of the last stitch of the row before.
- Cut a yarn when its stripe is done, leaving a tail of about 6 in (15 cm), and work over the tails as you go or weave them in at the end.
- Leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) when you begin, and weave it in at the end with the others.
- In UK terms hhdc is herringbone half treble.

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Instructions

Chosen: Standard. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a row is done.

Yarn A, slate gray.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 82.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Hhdc in 3rd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(80 hhdcs)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 42**	Ch 2, turn; hhdc in each st across	**(80 hhdcs)**

A box for each row, 2 to 42: tick them off as you go. The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

2 3 4 5 6 **7** 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30
31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42

> **Stop and measure when you have worked row 7.** Width, across the middle of the rows and not along the chain edge: about 32 in (81 cm). If it is wider, start again with a smaller hook; if it is narrower, with a larger one. If only the chain edge is tight, make the chain with a larger hook.

☐ **Row 43**	With C, ch 2, turn; hhdc in each st across	**(80 hhdcs)**
☐ **Row 44**	Ch 2, turn; hhdc in each st across	**(80 hhdcs)**
☐ **Row 45**	With B, ch 2, turn; hhdc in each st across	**(80 hhdcs)**
☐ **Rows 46 to 86**	Ch 2, turn; hhdc in each st across	**(80 hhdcs)**

A box for each row, 46 to 86: tick them off as you go.

46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74
75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85 86

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.

Finishing

- Weave in the ends.
- Lay the piece flat, pull it gently to its size, dampen it and let it dry.

In all: 86 rows; 6 ends to weave in.

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