Lion hooded blanket

Small child · US terms



Finished size

About 34¼ in (87 cm) wide and 28¼ in (72 cm) long without the hood and the tail; hood about 14¼ in (36 cm) wide and 11¾ in (30 cm) tall without the mane; the tail hangs about 15 in (38 cm) below the hem

Skill

Easy

Half double crochet, loop stitch, and pieces to sew on

Yarn

Medium (4), 4 colors

Hook

5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge

13 stitches and 11½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)

In half double crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: honey, main	**about 1,090 yd (997 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: rust, the border, hood front, rows 1 to 4 and the mane	**about 240 yd (219 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: cream, the muzzle cheek, ear front, rounds 1 to 3, the paw pad and the toe	**about 100 yd (91 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: chocolate, the nose and the eye	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a yarn needle, scissors, a tape measure, 12 pins or small clips and a piece of card about 4 in (10 cm) wide, for the tassel.

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
Small child (this file)	**34¼ in (87 cm) wide, 28¼ in (72 cm) long**	**about 1,445 yd (1,321 m)**
Child	41½ in (105 cm) wide, 35¼ in (90 cm) long	about 1,965 yd (1,797 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)
sc2tog	single crochet 2 together: [insert hook in next st, yo, pull up a loop] 2 times, yo, pull through all 3 loops (UK dc2tog, double crochet 2 together)
BLO	back loop only: the loop of the top farther from you
Rnd	round
RS	right side
st	stitch
yo	yarn over (UK yrh, yarn round hook)

Special stitches

loop st (Loop stitch): Lay the working yarn over the forefinger of the hand that holds the yarn and keep that finger 2 in (5 cm) behind the work, so that the yarn makes a loop over it. Insert hook in the st, catch both strands of the loop, the one in front of the finger and the one behind it, and pull both through the st (3 loops on hook); yo, pull through all 3 loops, and let the loop slip off the finger. It hangs on the side away from you. In UK terms: loop stitch, worked as double crochet. It leaves 1 stitch for the next row or round.

Gauge

13 stitches and 11½ rows to 4 in (10 cm) in half double crochet. Along a row, count every stitch and every chain between stitches as one.

Check it on the blanket itself when row 12 is done, laid flat and not stretched: rows 1 to 12 are about 4 1/8 in (10.5 cm) tall, and 26 stitches are about 8 in (20 cm) wide. If they measure more, start again with a smaller hook; if they measure less, with a larger one. The hood is worked in single crochet with the same hook: 13 stitches and 14¾ rows to 4 in (10 cm).

Before you start

- For cuddling and play while a small child is awake and watched, not for sleep: do not leave the hooded blanket in the bed.
- The ch 1 at the start of a row or a round does not count as a stitch.
- The blanket is worked from the hem up. The right side is the side that faces you as you work row 1; the two sides look nearly alike.
- The loops of the mane are made on wrong side rows and hang on the right side. The row of sc after each of them holds them.
- Small fingers can catch in the loops of the mane: this blanket is for a child of three or older.
- To change yarn, work the last yarn over of the last stitch of the row before with the new yarn. Cut the old yarn at the end of its stripe, leaving a tail of about 6 in (15 cm), and leave a tail of the same length on the new yarn.
- To change yarn between rounds, make the joining sl st with the new yarn: put the hook in the first stitch, take the new yarn over the hook and pull it through. Cut the old yarn, leaving a tail of about 6 in (15 cm), and leave a tail of the same length on the new yarn.

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- Leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) when you begin, when you join a yarn and when you fasten off, unless another length is given. The ends that are not sewn with are woven in.
- When a ball runs out, work the last yarn over of a stitch with the new yarn, and leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) on both. In a row do it in the last stitch; in a round any stitch will do.
- Whip stitch: with the yarn on a yarn needle, pass the needle under both loops of a stitch on one edge and under both loops of the stitch that lies against it on the other edge, and pull the yarn through. Do the same in the next stitch of each edge. On a foundation chain edge, pass the needle under the two strands of each chain that lie below row 1; a chain that holds no stitch at the very end is not sewn. On a side edge there are no loops: pass the needle through the edge of the last stitch, or of the turning chain, at the end of each row. A piece that is laid on another one and sewn down all round is sewn the same way, with the needle going through the cloth under its edge instead of through a second edge. Fasten a length where the sewing begins and where it ends: sew 2 or 3 times into the same place.
- Magic ring: wind the yarn once round two fingers, put the hook through the ring and pull up a loop of the working yarn. Round 1 begins with this loop on the hook. Work round 1 into the ring, over both strands, then pull the tail to close it.
- The right side of a round is the side that faces you as you work it.
- In joined rounds, the first stitch of a round goes into the same stitch as the joining sl st. The joining sl st itself is not a stitch and is not worked into.
- To join a yarn 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.
- Edging: work along the last row, down the ends of the rows, along the other side of the foundation chain and up the ends of the rows. The 3 sc in one place turn a corner.

Instructions

Chosen: Small child. 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, sc2tog is double crochet 2 together and yo is yarn round hook.

Blanket

Yarn A, honey.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 105.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(104 hdc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 75**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	**(104 hdc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 75: tick them off as you go.

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	43	44	45	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													

☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

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Border

Yarn B, rust.

Hold the piece with the right side facing you and the last row at the top; the first st is the one at the right-hand corner.

☐ **Foundation**	Work around the edge of the piece, right side facing: the 104 sts of the last row, the ends of the 75 rows, the 104 chs of the foundation, the ends of the 75 rows.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Join B with sl st in first st, ch 1, 3 sc in first st, sc in next 102 sts, 3 sc in next st, **[**sc in end of each of next 4 rows, 2 sc in end of next row**] 15 times**, 3 sc in next ch, sc in next 102 chs, 3 sc in next ch, **[**sc in end of each of next 4 rows, 2 sc in end of next row**] 15 times**; join with sl st in first sc	**(396 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, sc in same st as join, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 104 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 92 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 104 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 91 sts; join with sl st in first sc	**(404 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, sc in same st as join, sc in next st, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 106 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 94 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 106 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 92 sts; join with sl st in first sc	**(412 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1, sc in same st as join, sc in next 2 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 108 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 96 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 108 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 93 sts; join with sl st in first sc	**(420 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Hood back

Yarn A, honey.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 47.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(46 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 28**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(46 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 28: tick them off as you go.

☐ 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

☐ **Row 29**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 42 sts, sc2tog	**(2 sc2tog, 42 sc)**
☐ **Rows 30 to 31**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(44 sc)**

A box for each row, 30 to 31: tick them off as you go.

☐ 30 ☐ 31

☐ **Row 32**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 40 sts, sc2tog	**(2 sc2tog, 40 sc)**
☐ **Row 33**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Row 34**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 38 sts, sc2tog	**(2 sc2tog, 38 sc)**
☐ **Row 35**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(40 sc)**
☐ **Row 36**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 36 sts, sc2tog	**(2 sc2tog, 36 sc)**
☐ **Row 37**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(38 sc)**

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☐ **Row 38**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 34 sts, sc2tog	**(2 sc2tog, 34 sc)**
☐ **Row 39**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 32 sts, sc2tog	**(2 sc2tog, 32 sc)**
☐ **Row 40**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 30 sts, sc2tog	**(2 sc2tog, 30 sc)**
☐ **Row 41**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 28 sts, sc2tog	**(2 sc2tog, 28 sc)**
☐ **Row 42**	Ch 1, turn; **[**sc2tog**] 2 times**, sc in next 22 sts, **[**sc2tog**] 2 times**	**(4 sc2tog, 22 sc)**
☐ **Row 43**	Ch 1, turn; **[**sc2tog**] 3 times**, sc in next 14 sts, **[**sc2tog**] 3 times**	**(6 sc2tog, 14 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Hood front

Yarns in order of use: B, rust; A, honey.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, ch 47.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(46 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 4**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(46 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 4: tick them off as you go.

2 3 4

☐ **Row 5**	With A, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(46 sc)**
☐ **Rows 6 to 20**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(46 sc)**

A box for each row, 6 to 20: tick them off as you go.

6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20

☐ **Row 21**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 42 sts, sc2tog	**(2 sc2tog, 42 sc)**
☐ **Rows 22 to 23**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(44 sc)**

A box for each row, 22 to 23: tick them off as you go.

22 23

☐ **Row 24**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 40 sts, sc2tog	**(2 sc2tog, 40 sc)**
☐ **Row 25**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Row 26**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 38 sts, sc2tog	**(2 sc2tog, 38 sc)**
☐ **Row 27**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(40 sc)**
☐ **Row 28**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 36 sts, sc2tog	**(2 sc2tog, 36 sc)**
☐ **Row 29**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(38 sc)**
☐ **Row 30**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 34 sts, sc2tog	**(2 sc2tog, 34 sc)**
☐ **Row 31**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 32 sts, sc2tog	**(2 sc2tog, 32 sc)**
☐ **Row 32**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 30 sts, sc2tog	**(2 sc2tog, 30 sc)**
☐ **Row 33**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 28 sts, sc2tog	**(2 sc2tog, 28 sc)**
☐ **Row 34**	Ch 1, turn; **[**sc2tog**] 2 times**, sc in next 22 sts, **[**sc2tog**] 2 times**	**(4 sc2tog, 22 sc)**

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☐ **Row 35**	Ch 1, turn; **[**sc2tog**] 3 times**, sc in next 14 sts, **[**sc2tog**] 3 times**	**(6 sc2tog, 14 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Mane

Yarn B, rust.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, ch 97.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(96 sc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; loop st in each st across	**(96 loop st)**
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(96 sc)**
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; loop st in each st across	**(96 loop st)**
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(96 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Muzzle cheek: make 2

Yarn C, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	With C, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1, 6 sc in ring; join with sl st in first sc	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc	**(30 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of about 34 in (86 cm) to sew with.	

Nose

Yarn D, chocolate.

☐ **Foundation**	With D, ch 9.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog	**(2 sc2tog, 4 sc)**
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog	**(2 sc2tog, 2 sc)**
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc2tog	**(2 sc2tog)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of about 22 in (56 cm) to sew with.	

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Eye: make 2

Yarn D, chocolate.

☐ **Foundation**	With D, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1, 6 sc in ring; join with sl st in first sc	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	**(12 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of about 20 in (51 cm) to sew with.	

Ear back: make 2

Yarn A, honey.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1, 6 sc in ring; join with sl st in first sc	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc	**(36 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Ear front: make 2

Yarns in order of use: C, cream; A, honey.

☐ **Foundation**	With C, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1, 6 sc in ring; join with sl st in first sc	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	With A, ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc	**(36 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of about 64 in (163 cm) to sew with.	

Paw pad: make 2

Yarn C, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	With C, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1, 6 sc in ring; join with sl st in first sc	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc	**(18 sc)**

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☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc	**(42 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of about 44 in (112 cm) to sew with.	

Toe: make 6

Yarn C, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	With C, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1, 6 sc in ring; join with sl st in first sc	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc	**(24 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of about 28 in (71 cm) to sew with.	

Tail

Yarn A, honey.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 41.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(40 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 5**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(40 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 5: tick them off as you go.

☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5

☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Assembly

1. Weave in every end but the sewing tails before you sew.

2. Hood: lay the hood back with its wrong side up and the hood front on it with its right side up, so that the two wrong sides meet and the last rows lie level, 20 stitches on 20. The front is 8 rows shorter than the back: row 1 of the front lies on row 9 of the back. Cut a length of A about 76 in (193 cm) long. Begin at the end of row 1 of the front on one side and whip stitch the two layers to each other: up one side edge, the ends of 35 rows, across the 20 stitches of the last rows, and down the other side edge, the ends of 35 rows. The lower edge of the front stays open: it is the edge round the face.

3. Hood on the blanket: lay the blanket right side up with the edge along the last row away from you. Lay the hood beyond that edge, its front up, so that the foundation chain of the hood back lies along the middle of it. Between the two corner stitches of that edge, each the middle one of 3 sc in one place in the last round, there are 110 stitches: 32 to the right of the hood, 46 along it and 32 to the left. Cut a length of A about 48 in (122 cm) long and whip stitch the 46 chains of the hood back to these 46 stitches of the last round of the border. Worn, the head goes between the two layers of the hood, the front with the face comes over the forehead, and the blanket hangs down the back and over the shoulders. The side of the blanket that lies up now is then the inside, and the other side is seen.

4. Mane: lay the hood with its front up. The mane lies with its loops up on the outer part of the hood front: its foundation chain along the seam of the hood, its last row toward the face. It is as long as the seam. Pin its two ends to the two lower

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ends of the seam and its middle, between chains 48 and 49, to the middle of the top. Pin the rest between these pins so that the strip lies flat on the hood, neither stretched nor gathered. Its chains and the row ends of the hood do not match one to one: take every chain of the strip, and pass the needle through the hood where that chain lies. Cut a length of B about 88 in (224 cm) long and whip stitch the 96 chains of the mane to the seam.

5. Inner edge of the mane: cut a length of B about 88 in (224 cm) long and sew the last row of the mane to the hood front, 96 stitches. The line it lies on is shorter than the seam: draw the row in, so that it lies close, where it goes round the top. Pull all loops outward, away from the face.

6. Face: lay the two muzzle cheeks side by side, right sides up, on rows 6 to 15 of the hood front, their edges touching in the middle of the row, between rows 10 and 11. Sew each down all round with its tail, 30 stitches. Lay the nose, right side up, in the notch above that place, so that it laps over both cheeks: its 8 stitch edge is up, along the upper edge of row 14, and its point is down, on row 11, just above the place where the cheeks touch. Sew round its edge with its tail, about 18 stitches. Mouth: cut a length of D about 24 in (61 cm) long and work straight stitches with it, each about ½ in (1.5 cm) long. From the point of the nose work one stitch straight down between the cheeks. From its lower end work two stitches, end to end, out over each cheek, the first slanting a little down and the second a little up, so that the mouth smiles. Lay an eye, right side up, over rows 19 to 22 on each side, with 5 stitches between the middle of the row and the edge of the eye, and sew each down all round with its tail, 12 stitches.

7. Ears: lay an ear front on an ear back, wrong sides together, and with the tail of the front whip stitch the two edges to each other all round, 36 stitches. Keep the rest of the tail. Lay each ear, front up, where the inner edge of the mane crosses row 27 of the hood front, half of it on the mane, and with the rest of the tail sew the 12 stitches of its edge that lie nearest the face to the hood front, through both layers of the ear; go back over them once, so that the ear stands in front of the mane.

8. Tail: fold the tail in half along its length, wrong side inside, so that its foundation chain meets its last row. Cut a length of A about 44 in (112 cm) long and whip stitch the 40 chains to the 40 stitches: it is a cord. Tassel: wind B 40 times around a 4 in (10 cm) card, slip a 10 in (25 cm) strand of B under the winding at one edge of the card and tie it tightly; cut the winding at the other edge and take it off. Wind a 22 in (56 cm) strand of B eight times around all the strands 1 in (2.5 cm) below the top, and knot its ends. Trim the tassel level. Sew the tassel to one end of the cord with the ends of its top knot, 6 stitches.

9. Paws: lay the blanket right side up, hem toward you, as it lay when the hood was sewn on. The paws are on the inside of the blanket when it is worn and are seen when it is opened or spread out. One lies in each lower corner. Lay a paw pad, right side up, over rows 4 to 14, its middle 15 stitches from the side edge of the half double crochet. Lay three toes round its upper side, right sides up: one straight above it, over rows 16 to 21, and one on each side of that, over rows 14 to 19, its middle 8 stitches to the right or the left of the middle of the pad. Sew each piece down all round with its tail, 42 stitches for a pad and 24 for a toe.

10. Tail on the hem: lay the blanket right side up, hem toward you, and put the free end of the cord under the middle of the hem. Along the hem the last round has 110 stitches between its two corner stitches, each the middle one of 3 sc in one place: the cord lies under the 2 in the middle, with 54 to the right of it and 54 to the left. Let 1 in (2.5 cm) of the cord lie under the border, cut a length of A about 18 in (46 cm) long and sew the cord to the wrong side of the border with about 12 stitches that do not show on the right side.

Finishing

- Weave in what is left of the ends with the yarn needle, changing direction once or twice.

In all: 22 pieces; 52 ends to weave in.

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