Cloud stripe baby blanket

Standard · US terms



Finished size
About 32 × 37¾ in (81 × 96 cm)
With its border. The panel alone: about 30¾ × 36½ in (78 × 93 cm)

Skill
Easy
Stripes, chain spaces, a border

Yarn
Medium (4), 4 colors

Hook
5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge
13 stitches and 15½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In moss stitch.

You will need

Yarn A: white, main	**about 350 yd (320 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: mist, contrast	**about 300 yd (274 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: cloud gray, contrast	**about 175 yd (160 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: blush, contrast	**about 95 yd (87 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: yarn needle, scissors and 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 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. That is the yarn for all the colors together: divide it among them as the estimates are divided.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Standard (this file)	**32 × 37¾ in (81 × 96 cm)**	**about 920 yd (841 m)**
Large	40 × 47 in (102 × 119 cm)	about 1,370 yd (1,253 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 (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
hdc	half double crochet (UK htr, half treble)
rnd	round
RS	right side
sk	skip (UK miss)
sp	space
st	stitch

Gauge

13 stitches and 15½ rows to 4 in (10 cm) in moss stitch. Along a row, count every stitch and every chain between stitches as one.

Use any hook that gives you this. If you count more stitches than this in 4 in (10 cm), change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, to a smaller one.

The pattern also stops you to measure after row 12.

The swatch. A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. The test piece is about 6¼ in (16 cm) wide and 6¼ in (16 cm) tall, so that you can count over 4 in (10 cm) in the middle of it.

Swatch foundation	With A, ch 21.	
Swatch row 1 (RS)	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(20 sc)**
Swatch row 2	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 2 sts, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next st**] 9 times**	**(11 sc, 9 ch-1 sps)**
Swatch rows 3 to 24	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 8 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(11 sc, 9 ch-1 sps)**

For another width, add or take away 2 chains at a time: each 2 chains adds one more repeat of the bracketed group, and 2 more stitches to a row that has no brackets. Measure your own gauge first. The border is worked into whatever the edge has: count your own stitches and row ends for its first round.

Before you start

- The ch 1 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.
- A stitch worked into a chain space passes over any stitches that lie before the space; they are left unworked.
- Several of one stitch named together ("3 sc in first st") are all worked into that one place.
- 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. The estimates include the tails; if you measure your own, add them.
- Leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) when you begin, and weave it in at the end with the others. Join a new ball at the end of a row, with the same tails: each join adds two ends.

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- The border is worked in rounds with the right side facing. Rnd 1 begins in the st just joined, which it calls "first st", goes along the last row to the other end, which it calls "last st", then down the left side, along the foundation edge and up the right side.
- Along the foundation edge the ch skipped at the start of row 1 is not counted: the last ch is the one under the first stitch of row 1.
- The chain at the start of a round does not count as a stitch. After rnd 1, the first stitch of a round goes into the stitch that the slip stitch joined: that stitch is the first of the next stitches.

Instructions

Chosen: Standard. 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 and hdc is half treble.

Baby blanket

Yarns in order of use: B, mist; A, white; C, cloud gray.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, ch 101.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(100 sc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 2 sts, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next st**] 49 times**	**(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rows 3 to 12**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**

A box for each row, 3 to 12: tick them off as you go. The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 **12**

> **Stop and measure now, after row 12.** Width, across the middle of the rows and not along the chain edge: about 30¾ in (78 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.

☐ **Rows 13 to 16**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**

A box for each row, 13 to 16: tick them off as you go.

13 14 15 16

☐ **Row 17**	With A, ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rows 18 to 30**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**

A box for each row, 18 to 30: tick them off as you go.

18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30

☐ **Row 31**	With C, ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rows 32 to 42**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**

A box for each row, 32 to 42: tick them off as you go.

32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42

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☐ **Row 43** With A, ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st **(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**

☐ **Rows 44 to 52** Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st **(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**

A box for each row, 44 to 52: tick them off as you go.

44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52

☐ **Row 53** With B, ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st **(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**

☐ **Rows 54 to 60** Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st **(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**

A box for each row, 54 to 60: tick them off as you go.

54 55 56 57 58 59 60

☐ **Row 61** With A, ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st **(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**

☐ **Rows 62 to 66** Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st **(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**

A box for each row, 62 to 66: tick them off as you go.

62 63 64 65 66

☐ **Row 67** With C, ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st **(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**

☐ **Rows 68 to 70** Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st **(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**

A box for each row, 68 to 70: tick them off as you go.

68 69 70

☐ **Row 71** With B, ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st **(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**

☐ **Row 72** Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st **(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**

☐ **Row 73** With C, ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st **(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**

☐ **Rows 74 to 76** Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st **(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**

A box for each row, 74 to 76: tick them off as you go.

74 75 76

☐ **Row 77** With A, ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st **(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**

☐ **Rows 78 to 82** Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st **(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**

A box for each row, 78 to 82: tick them off as you go.

78 79 80 81 82

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☐ **Row 83**	With B, ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rows 84 to 90**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**

A box for each row, 84 to 90: tick them off as you go.

84 85 86 87 88 89 90

☐ **Row 91**	With A, ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rows 92 to 100**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**

A box for each row, 92 to 100: tick them off as you go.

92 93 94 95 96 97 98 99 100

☐ **Row 101**	With C, ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rows 102 to 112**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**

A box for each row, 102 to 112: tick them off as you go.

102 103 104 105 106 107 108 109 110 111 112

☐ **Row 113**	With A, ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rows 114 to 126**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**

A box for each row, 114 to 126: tick them off as you go.

114 115 116 117 118 119 120 121 122 123 124 125 126

☐ **Row 127**	With B, ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rows 128 to 141**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 48 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(51 sc, 49 ch-1 sps)**

A box for each row, 128 to 141: tick them off as you go.

128 129 130 131 132 133 134 135 136 137 138 139 140 141

☐ **Row 142**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next st**] 49 times**, sc in last st	**(100 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.	

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Border

Yarn D, blush.

☐ **Foundation**	Right side facing and row 142 at the top, join D with sl st in the stitch that ends row 142, at the top right corner.
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 3 sc in first st, sc in next 98 sts, 3 sc in last st, **[**sc in end of each of next 5 rows, sk next row end**] 23 times**, sc in end of each of next 4 rows, 3 sc in first ch of foundation edge, sc in next 98 chs, 3 sc in last ch of foundation edge, **[**sc in end of each of next 5 rows, sk next row end**] 23 times**, sc in end of each of next 4 rows, sl st in first sc to join **(446 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2 (RS)**	Ch 2, hdc in next st, 3 hdc in next st, hdc in next 100 sts, 3 hdc in next st, hdc in next 121 sts, 3 hdc in next st, hdc in next 100 sts, 3 hdc in next st, hdc in next 120 sts, sl st in first hdc to join **(454 hdc)**
☐ **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: 8,240 stitches (7,340 in the baby blanket, 900 in the border); 32 ends to weave in.

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