



CROCHET
SKILL LEVEL
EASY

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Plaid Picnic Throw

This throw is perfect for relaxing outdoors but, of course, is equally nice for a dorm room or for a man to use. You work the horizontal stripes while crocheting the throw. Then chains are made and woven vertically through the chain spaces.

Throw measures 58" long x 47" wide
(147.5 x 119.5 cm), including border

Notes

- Horizontal rows are worked with ch-1 spaces evenly set apart. Strips of chains are woven vertically through the chain spaces to complete the plaid motif. Border is added after strips are woven and secured.
- Blanket is worked with single strand of yarn; vertical strips of chains are worked with 2 strands of yarn held together.
- Vertical strips are woven in groups of 3 or 4. Refer to grid diagram as the weaving sequence differs in each group.
- To change color, work last stitch of old color to last yarn over. Yarn over with new color and draw through all loops on hook to complete stitch. Proceed with new color.

THROW

With smaller hook and **A**, ch 143.

Row 1: Dc in 3rd ch from hook (beginning ch count as first dc), dc in next 4 ch, [ch 1, skip next ch, dc in next 2 ch] 3 times, dc in next 19 ch, [ch 1, skip next ch, dc in next ch] 4 times, dc in next 8 ch, [ch 1, skip next ch, dc in next 2 ch] 3 times, dc in next 7 ch, [ch 1, skip next ch, dc in next ch] 4 times, dc in next 20 ch, [ch 1, skip next ch, dc in next 2 ch] 3 times, dc in next 11 ch, [ch 1, skip next ch, dc in next ch] 4 times, dc in next 7 ch, [ch 1, skip next ch, dc in next 2 ch] 3 times, dc in last 4 ch, change to **C**, turn—116 sts and 24 ch-1 spaces.

Row 2: Ch 2 (counts as first dc here and throughout), dc in next 5 st, [ch 1, skip next ch-1 space, dc in next 2 st] 3 times, dc in next 6 st, [ch 1, skip next ch-1 space, dc in next st] 4 times, dc in next 12 st, [ch 1, skip next ch-1 space, dc in next 2 st] 3 times, dc in next 19 st, [ch 1, skip next ch-1 space, dc in next st]

4 times, dc in next 8 st, [ch 1, skip next ch-1 space, dc in next 2 st] 3 times, dc in next 7 st, [ch 1, skip next ch-1 space, dc in next st] 4 times, dc in next 20 st, [ch 1, skip next ch-1 space, dc in next 2 st] 3 times, dc in last 4 st, change to **A**, turn.

Row 3: Ch 1 (does not count as a st here and throughout), hdc in first 6 st, [ch 1, skip next ch-1 space, hdc in next 2 st] 3 times, hdc in next 19 st, [ch 1, skip next ch-1 space, hdc in next st] 4 times, hdc in next 8 st, [ch 1, skip next ch-1 space, hdc in next 2 st] 3 times, hdc in next 7 st, [ch 1, skip next ch-1 space, hdc in next st] 4 times, hdc in next 20 st, [ch 1, skip next ch-1 space, dc in next 2 st] 3 times, hdc in next 11 st, [ch 1, skip next ch-1 space, hdc in next st] 4 times, hdc in next 7 st, [ch 1, skip next ch-1 space, hdc in next 2 st] 3 times, hdc in last 4 st, change to **B**, turn.

Rows 4–102: Repeat Rows 2 and 3 and change color as in the following color sequence: *Work Row 2 three times with **B**; Row 3 once with **A**; Row 2 once with **D**; Row 3 once with **A**; Row 2 once with **F**, twice with **A**, twice with **E**, twice with **A**, and once with **D**; Row 3 once with **A**; Row 2 once with **E**, once with **A**, 3 times with **B**,** once with **A**, once with **C**, twice with **A**, and twice with **E**; Row 3 once with **A**; Row 2 once with **D**; Row 3 once with **A**; Row 2 once with **F**; Row 3 once with **A**; Row 2 twice with **E** and twice with **A**; Row 2 once with **C** and once with **A**; repeat from * once, then repeat from * one more time, ending at **; Row 2 once with **A**, once with **C**, and once with **A**. Fasten off.

Vertical Strip (make 18 with 2 strands held together - 5 with **A**, 4 with **B**, 3 with **D**, 2 with **E**, 4 with **F**; make 6 with one strand each of **B** and **C** held together)
With larger hook and 2 strands of yarn held together, loosely ch 150. Fasten off, pulling knot tightly. Tighten beginning slip knot.

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What you will need:

RED HEART® Soft®: 5 balls 4601 Off White **A**, 2 balls 9779 Berry **B**, 1 ball each 4604 Navy **C**, 9770 Rose Blush **D**, 9870 Deep Sea **E**, and 9520 Seafoam **F**

Susan Bates® Crochet Hooks: 6.5mm [K-10.5 US] and 9mm [M-13 US]

Yarn needle, large-eyed plastic canvas needle, stitch marker

GAUGE: 12 dc = 4" (10 cm) in pattern; 7 rows = 4" (10 cm), with smaller hook. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE.** Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.



RED HEART® Soft®, Art. E728 available in solid color 5 oz (141 g), 256 yd (234 m), print 4 oz (113 g), 204 yd (187 m), and heather 4oz (113g), 212 yd (194m) balls

SHOP KIT

ASSEMBLY

Refer to diagram for weaving pattern. Read grids carefully as some strips will weave over and under the same chain spaces in neighboring rows; others will weave under and over to create an alternate pattern. With right side facing, using plastic needle (or just your fingers), and working from left to right in color sequence, weave chains vertically through chain spaces. Ease each strip in place and distribute the length evenly. Thread tail between loops of chain in last horizontal row and pull 1 ch of strip through loops. Repeat for other end.

Color Sequence

Strip Set 1: Grid 1 with B/C, B/C, A

Strip Set 2: Grid 2 with F, D, D, A

Strip Set 3: Grid 1 with B, B/C, B

Strip Set 4: Grid 3 with E, E, A, F

Strip Set 5: Grid 1 with B, B/C, B

Strip Set 6: Grid 2 with A, B, B, D

Strip Set 7: Grid 1 with A, B/C, B/C

Border

With right side of upper edge facing and smaller hook, join A with slip st to first st in last row.

Note: When working into “next st”, you may be working into a dc or a ch-1 space.

Horizontal Edging Row (right side): *Ch 4, skip next 2 sts, sc in next st; repeat from * evenly across edge to last 2 sts, skip next st, sc in next st. Fasten off.

Repeat for lower edge.

With right side facing and smaller hook, join C with slip st to first ch-4 space at top right corner.

Round 1: [*Ch 4, drop loop from hook, insert hook from front to back in next ch-4 space, place loop back on hook and pull through ch-4 space to front; repeat from * across; working across ends of rows, sc in first row, skip next row, **ch 4, skip next row, sc in next row; repeat from ** to next ch-4 space] twice; join with slip st in first chain of beginning ch-4. Fasten off.

Round 2: With right side facing, join B with slip st to any ch-4 space, *ch 5, drop loop from hook, insert hook from front to back in next ch-4 space, place loop back on hook and pull through ch-4 space to front; repeat from * around; join with slip st in first ch-5 space. Fasten off.

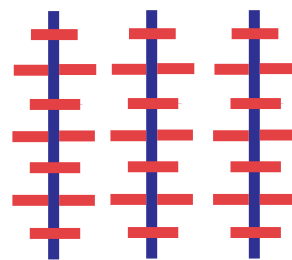
FINISHING

Weave in ends.

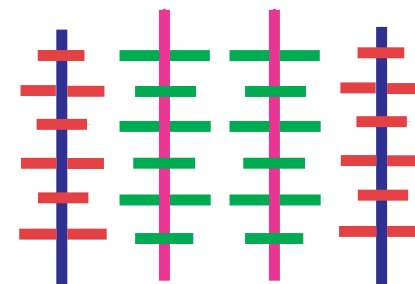
ABBREVIATIONS

A, B, C = Color A, Color B, Color C, etc.; **ch** = chain; **dc** = double crochet; **hdc** = half double crochet; **sc** = single crochet; **sp(s)** = space(s); **st(s)** = stitch(es); [] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; * = repeat whatever follows the * as indicated.

Grid 1



Grid 2



Grid 3

