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Basketweave Baby Blanket

Crochet Hook: **Size J/10 (6 mm)**

Notions: **Yarn needle**

Gauge: **14 sts x 11 rows = 4 inches**

Difficulty: **Beginner** - Uses beginner stitches with no shaping.

Finished Size:
- Preemie - 21" x 22"
- Baby - 30" x 34"
- Toddler/Small Throw - 42" x 44"

Yarn: #3 DK/Light worsted weight
Sample used: Bernat *Softee Baby*

- Denim Marl -10 (22, 40)oz/724 (1600, 2896) yds
- Pale Blue - 10 (22, 40)oz/724 (1600, 2896) yds

Notes:
- Blanket is worked by holding one strand of each color together.
- To adjust the size you can add or subtract in multiples of 10 sts.

Special Stitches:
- **FPdc (Front Post double crochet)** - yo, insert hook from front to back to front around post of the next st, yo, pull up loop, [yo, pull through 2 loops] twice. Click here for tutorial.
- **BPdc (Back Post double crochet)** - yo, insert hook from back to front to back around post of the next st, yo, pull up loop, [yo, pull through 2 loops] twice. Click here for tutorial.
- **rsc (reverse single crochet/crab stitch)** - insert hook in next st to right (most crochet works in next st to left), yo, pull up loop, yo, pull through both loops on hook. Click here for tutorial.

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Blanket

Ch 79 (109, 159).
Row 1: Dc in 4th ch from hook & in each ch across, turn. (76,106, 156 dc)

Row 2: Ch 2, sk 1st dc, FPDC around ea of next 5 dc, *BPDC around ea of next 5 dc, FPDC around ea of next 5 dc*, across to end, dc in 3rd ch of ch 3, turn.

Row 3: Ch 2, sk 1st dc, BPDC around ea of 1st 5 fpdc, *FPDC around ea of next 5 bpdc, BPDC around next 5 fpdc*, across to end, dc in 2nd ch of beg ch-2, turn.

Row 4: Ch 2, sk 1st dc, FPDC around 1st 5 bpdc, *BPDC around next 5 fpdc, FPDC around next 5 bpdc*, to end, dc in 2nd ch of beg ch-2, turn.

Row 5: Ch 2, sk 1st dc, FPDC around 1st 5 fpdc, *BPDC around next 5 bpdc, FPDC around next 5 fpdc*, to end, dc in 2nd ch of beg ch-2, turn.

Row 6: Ch 2, sk 1st dc, BPDC around 1st 5 fpdc, *FPDC around next 5 bpdc, BPDC around next 5 fpdc*, to end, dc in 2nd ch of beg ch-2, turn.

Row 7: Ch 2, sk 1st dc, FPDC around 1st 5 bpdc, *BPDC around next 5 fpdc, FPDC around next 5 bpdc*, to end, dc in 2nd ch of beg ch-2, turn.

Repeat Rows 5-7 until afghan measures approx. 21 (33, 43)"

Border

Row 1: Ch 1, sc in ea dc across, 3 sc in corner, sc evenly down side, 3 sc in corner, sc in ea st across bottom, 3 sc in corner, sc evenly up side, slip st in 1st sc, (do not turn)

Row 2: Ch 1, rsc in ea st across all 4 sides & 2 rsc in each corner.
Fasten off.

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