



Crocodile Stitch Baby Blanket

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Made for Bernat's Baby Month while I was pregnant of my Asher.

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Materials:

- 7 Skeins of Bernat Softee Baby in Mint (100% acrylic), 331m/362 yds per skein
- Yardage: approximately 2600 yds/2400 m
- Satin ribbon ¾ “ (optional) in contrast color
- US size H (5.00 mm) hook
- Stitch markers
- Yarn needle
- Scissors

Stitch Abbreviations:

Beginning (beg)
Chain (ch)
Double Crochet (dc)
Repeat (rep)
Right Side (RS)
Single Crochet (sc)
Slip Stitch (sl st)
Space (sp)
Stitch (st)
Wrong Side (WS)
Yarn Over (yo)

Special Stitches Used:

Front Post Double Crochet (fpdc) – Yo and insert hook from the front to the back around the post of the dc of previous row. Complete as for a regular dc stitch.

V-Stitch (V-st) – Work (dc 1, ch1, dc 1) in st indicated.

Gauge:

With H crochet hook in V-st pattern: 3 V-sts and 4 rows = 2"

Finished Measurements:

35 ins [89 cm] wide x 35 ins [89 cm] long.

Directions:

Ch 124

Rnd 1 (WS): V-st in 7th ch from hook, *skip next 2 ch, V-st in next ch, rep from * across to last 3 ch, skip next 2 ch, dc in last ch; turn -- (39 V-sts)

Row 2 (RS): Ch 3 (count as a dc), working from **top** to **bottom** around post of first dc of **first** V-st, work 4 fpdc (see pic 1), ch 1, *turn work so V-st is sideways and post of second dc of V-st is upside down* (V point of V-st will be facing right; see pic 2), working from **bottom** to **top** around post of second dc of V-st, work 5 fpdc (see pic 3) * skip next V-st, working from **top** to **bottom** around post of first dc of next V-st, work 5 fpdc, ch 1, *turn work so V-st is sideways*, working from **bottom** to **top** around post of second dc of V-st, work 5 fpdc, rep from * across (see pic 4); turn – (20 scales)

Row 3 (WS): Ch 3 (count as a dc), work a V-st in next ch-1 sp, * yo, insert hook **in both** next ch-1 space and in space between scales directly behind ch-1 sp (see pic 5) and complete a V-st, work a V-st in next ch-1 sp, rep from * across to last dc, dc in in top of last st (see pic 6); turn -- (39 V-sts)

Row 4 (RS): Sl st in first 2 sts, sl st in next ch-1 sp, working from **top** to **bottom** around post of first dc of **next** V-st, work 5 fpdc, ch 1, *turn work so V-st is sideways and post of second dc of V-st is upside down*, working from **bottom** to **top** around post of second dc of V-st, work 5 fpdc, * skip next V-st, working from **top** to **bottom** around post of first dc of next V-st, work 5 fpdc, ch 1, *turn work so V-st is sideways*, working from **bottom** to **top** around post of second dc of V-st, work 5 fpdc, rep from * across to last V-st, sl st in next ch-1 sp, sl st in next 2 sts (see pic 7); turn – (19 scales)

Row 5 (WS): Ch 3, work a V-st in ch-1 sp of first V-st, * V-st in next ch-1 sp, yo, insert hook **in both** next ch-1 sp and in space between scales directly behind ch-1 sp and complete a V-st, V-st in next ch-1 sp, repeat from * across to last ch-1 sp, V-st in last ch-1 sp, dc in last st; turn – (39 V-sts)

Row 6 (RS): Ch 1, working from **top** to **bottom** around post of first dc of **first** V-st, work 5 fpdc, ch 1, *turn work so V-st is sideways and post of second dc of V-st is upside down*, working from **bottom** to **top** around post of second dc of V-st, work 5 fpdc * skip next V-st, working from **top** to **bottom** around post of first dc of **next** V-st, work 5 fpdc, ch 1, *turn work so V-st is sideways*, working from **bottom** to **top** around post of second dc of V-st, work 5 fpdc, rep from * across to last dc, sl st in last dc; turn – (20 scales)

Row 7 – Row 90: Repeat Rows 3 through 6, **ending on a row 6**. There will be **45 rows of scales**.

Edging:

Rnd 1: *With RS of work facing you*, Ch 1, 3 sc in same sp as last sl st (left corner of blanket), 89 sc evenly across down left side of blanket, 3 sc in corner, 119 sc across bottom of Blanket, 3 sc in corner, 89 sc up right side of blanket, 119 sc across top of blanket; join with sl st in top of first sc – (428 sc)

Rnd 2: Beginning on first corner st, Ch 6 (count as a dc and ch-3) dc in same corner st, ch 1, * [skip next st, dc in next st, ch 1], across to corner st, [dc, ch 3, dc, ch 1] in corner st, skip next st; rep from * around; join with sl st in top of first dc – (218 dc)

Rnd 3: Ch 3, * 5 dc in each ch-6 corner sp, 3 dc in each ch-3 sp; rep from * around; join with sl st in top of first dc - (662 dc)

Rnd 4: Ch 3, 2 dc in each dc around; join with sl st in top of first dc - (1284 dc)

Rnd 5: Ch 3, (2 dc in next dc, dc in next dc) around; join with sl st in top of first dc. Fasten off - (1946 dc)

Finishing (Optional):

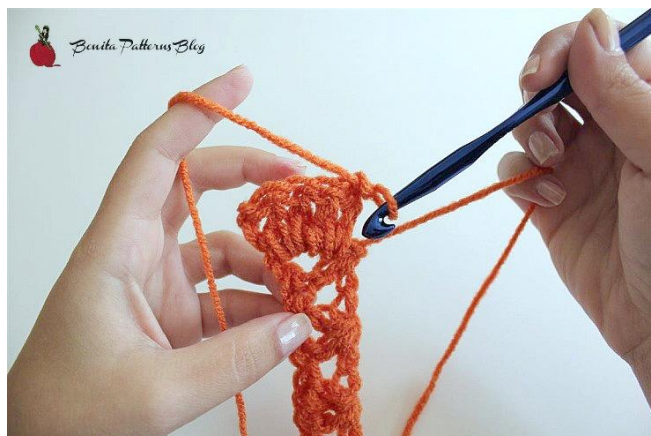
Beginning at the center of bottom edge, weave in satin ribbon around chain spaces made in Rnd 2. Tie a bow.et.

Photo Tutorial:

Note: Yarn weight and hook were changed for better visualization on photos.



(Picture 1) Ch 3 (count as a dc), working from **top to bottom** around post of first dc of **first** V-st, work 4 fpdc (see pic A)



(Picture 2) Ch 3 and 4 fpdc completed, **turn work so V-st is sideways** and post of **second** dc of V-st is upside down (V point of V-st will be facing right)



(Picture 3) Working from **bottom to top** around post of second dc of V-st, work 5 fpdc



(Picture 4) Row 2 completed.



(Picture 5) Yo, insert hook in **both** next ch-1 space and in space between scales directly behind ch-1 sp (see pic E), and complete a V-st



(Picture 6) Row 3 completed. This shows the wrong side of the work where all V-sts line up on top of each other.



(Picture 7) Rows 1 through 4 completed.

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