

# CHECKERBOARD BABY BLANKET

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A SWEET CHECKERBOARD PATTERN OF BLUE, GREEN AND WHITE MAKES THIS A PERFECT BLANKET FOR A BABY BOY. A COLOR CHANGE TO A PALETTE WITH PINK MAKES IT JUST AS WONDERFUL FOR LITTLE GIRLS.

**SKILL LEVEL**  INTERMEDIATE

## FINISHED SIZE

31 x 37 inches

## MATERIALS

- Lion Brand Babysoft light (light worsted) weight acrylic/polyamide yarn (5 oz/459 yds/141g per ball):
  - 2 balls #100 white
  - 1 ball each #106 pastel blue and #156 pastel green
- Size F/5/3.75mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge



## GAUGE

12 dc = 2½ inches; 2 dc rows = 1 inch

## PATTERN NOTES

Chain 1 and single crochet at beginning of row or round counts as first double crochet unless otherwise stated.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

## BLANKET

**Row 1 (RS):** With pastel green, ch 153, dc in 4th ch from hook (*first 3 chs count as first dc*), dc in each of next 4 chs, [ch 6, sk next 6 chs, dc in each of next 6 chs] across, turn. (12 ch-6 sps, 13 dc groups)

**Row 2: Ch 1** (*see Pattern Notes*), sc in

first st, dc in each of next 5 sts, [ch 6, sk next ch sp, dc in each of next 6 sts] across, turn. Fasten off.

**Row 3: Join** (*see Pattern Notes*) pastel blue in first st, ch 6, sk first 6 dc, working over ch-6 2 rows below (*row 1*) and in front of ch-6 on last row (*row 2*), dc in each of next 6 sk chs 2 rows below (*row 1*), [ch 6, sk next 6 sts, working over ch-6 2 rows below and in front of ch-6 of last row, dc in each of next 6 sk chs 2 rows below] across, turn.

**Row 4:** [Ch 6, sk next ch sp, working over ch-6 sp 2 rows below (*row 2*), dc in each of next 6 sts] across, ending with ch 6, sk last ch sp, sl st in last st, turn. Fasten off.

**Row 5:** Join white in first sk st 2 rows below, working over ch-6 2 rows below and in front of ch-6 of last row, ch 1, sc in same st as sl st, dc in each of next 6 sk sts 2 rows below, [ch 6, sk next 6 sts, working over ch-6 2 rows below and in front of ch-6 on last row, dc in each of next 6 sk sts 2 rows below] across, turn.

**Row 6:** Working over ch-6 2 rows below, ch 1, sc in first st, dc in each of next 5 sts, [ch 6, sk next ch sp, working over ch-6 2 rows below, dc in each of next 6 sts] across, turn. Fasten off.

**Row 7:** Join pastel green in first st, ch 6, sk first 6 dc, working over ch-6 2 rows below and in front of ch-6 on last row, dc in each of next 6 sk chs 2 rows below, [ch 6, sk next 6 sts, working over ch-6 2 rows

below and in front of ch-6 of last row, dc in each of next 6 sk chs 2 rows below] across, turn.

**Row 8:** [Ch 6, sk next ch sp, working over ch-6 sp 2 rows below (*row 2*), dc in each of next 6 sts] across, ending with ch 6, sk last ch sp, sl st in last st, turn. Fasten off.

**Rows 9–153:** [Rep rows 5–8 consecutively] 37 times in 2 rows of each of 3-color sequence, ending with row 5.

**Row 154:** Working over ch-6 2 rows below, ch 1, sc in first st, dc in each of next 5 sts, [working over ch-6 of last row, sc in each of next 6 sts, working over ch-6 2 rows below, dc in each of next 6 sts] across. Fasten off.

## Border

**Rnd 1:** With RS facing, join white with sc in any st, evenly sp odd number of sc around with 3 sc in each corner, join in beg sc.

**Rnd 2:** Ch 1, sc in first st, [ch 1, sk next st, sc in next st] around with ch 1, sk next st (sc, ch 1, sc) in each center corner st, join in beg sc.

**Rnds 3 & 4:** Ch 1, sc in first ch sp, ch 1, sk next st, [sc in next ch sp, ch 1, sk next st] around with (sc, ch 1, sc) in each corner ch sp, join in beg sc.

**Rnd 5:** Working loosely around, [sl st in next ch sp, ch 1] around, with (sl st, ch 1, sl st) in each corner ch sp, join in beg sl st. Fasten off. **C!**







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# STITCH GUIDE

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## STITCH ABBREVIATIONS

<b>beg</b> .....	begin/begins/beginning
<b>bpdc</b> .....	back post double crochet
<b>bpsc</b> .....	back post single crochet
<b>bptr</b> .....	back post treble crochet
<b>CC</b> .....	contrasting color
<b>ch(s)</b> .....	chain(s)
<b>ch-</b> .....	refers to chain or space previously made (i.e., ch-1 space)
<b>ch sp(s)</b> .....	chain space(s)
<b>cl(s)</b> .....	cluster(s)
<b>cm</b> .....	centimeter(s)
<b>dc</b> .....	double crochet (singular/plural)
<b>dc dec</b> .....	double crochet 2 or more stitches together, as indicated
<b>dec</b> .....	decrease/decreases/decreasing
<b>dtr</b> .....	double treble crochet
<b>ext</b> .....	extended
<b>fpdc</b> .....	front post double crochet
<b>fpsc</b> .....	front post single crochet
<b>fptr</b> .....	front post treble crochet
<b>g</b> .....	gram(s)
<b>hdc</b> .....	half double crochet
<b>hdc dec</b> .....	half double crochet 2 or more stitches together, as indicated
<b>inc</b> .....	increase/increases/increasing
<b>lp(s)</b> .....	loop(s)
<b>MC</b> .....	main color
<b>mm</b> .....	millimeter(s)
<b>oz</b> .....	ounce(s)
<b>pc</b> .....	popcorn(s)
<b>rem</b> .....	remain/remains/remaining
<b>rep(s)</b> .....	repeat(s)
<b>rnd(s)</b> .....	round(s)
<b>RS</b> .....	right side
<b>sc</b> .....	single crochet (singular/plural)
<b>sc dec</b> .....	single crochet 2 or more stitches together, as indicated
<b>sk</b> .....	skip/skipped/skipping
<b>sl st(s)</b> .....	slip stitch(es)
<b>sp(s)</b> .....	space(s)/spaced
<b>st(s)</b> .....	stitch(es)
<b>tog</b> .....	together
<b>tr</b> .....	treble crochet
<b>trtr</b> .....	triple treble
<b>WS</b> .....	wrong side
<b>yd(s)</b> .....	yard(s)
<b>yo</b> .....	yarn over

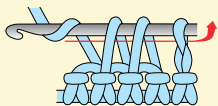
## YARN CONVERSION

OUNCES TO GRAMS	GRAMS TO OUNCES
1.....28.4	25.....7/8
2.....56.7	40.....1 3/4
3.....85.0	50.....1 3/4
4.....113.4	100.....3 1/2

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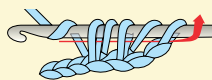
sl st (slip stitch)	=	sc (single crochet)
sc (single crochet)	=	dc (double crochet)
hdc (half double crochet)	=	htr (half treble crochet)
dc (double crochet)	=	tr (treble crochet)
tr (treble crochet)	=	dtr (double treble crochet)
dtr (double treble crochet)	=	ttr (triple treble crochet)
skip	=	miss

**Single crochet decrease (sc dec):**  
(Insert hook, yo, draw lp through) in each of the sts indicated, yo, draw through all lps on hook.



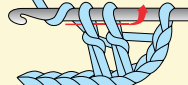
Example of 2-sc dec

**Half double crochet decrease (hdc dec):**  
(Yo, insert hook, yo, draw lp through) in each of the sts indicated, yo, draw through all lps on hook.



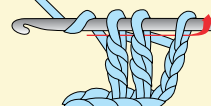
Example of 2-hdc dec

**Double crochet decrease (dc dec):** (Yo, insert hook, yo, draw lp through, yo, draw through 2 lps on hook) in each of the sts indicated, yo, draw through all lps on hook.



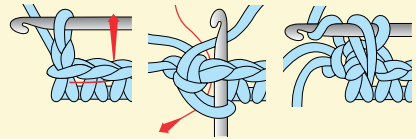
Example of 2-dc dec

**Treble crochet decrease (tr dec):** Holding back last lp of each st, tr in each of the sts indicated, yo, pull through all lps on hook.

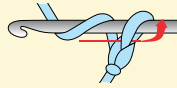


Example of 2-tr dec

**Reverse single crochet (reverse sc):** Ch 1, sk first st, working from left to right, insert hook in next st from front to back, draw up lp on hook, yo, and draw through both lps on hook.

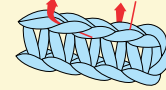


**Chain (ch):** Yo, pull through lp on hook.

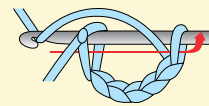


**Front loop (front lp)  
Back loop (back lp)**

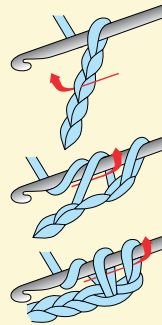
Front Loop Back Loop



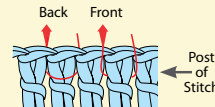
**Slip stitch (sl st):** Insert hook in st, pull through both lps on hook.



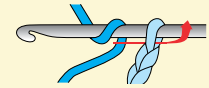
**Single crochet (sc):**  
Insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, yo, pull through both lps on hook.



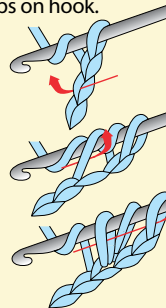
**Front post stitch (fp):  
Back post stitch (bp):**  
When working post st, insert hook from right to left around post of st on previous row.



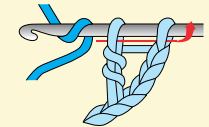
**Chain color change (ch color change)**  
Yo with new color, draw through last lp on hook.



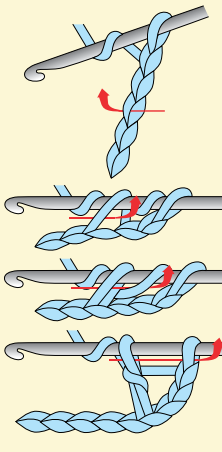
**Half double crochet (hdc):** Yo, insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, yo, pull through all 3 lps on hook.



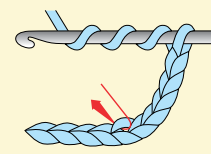
**Double crochet color change (dc color change)**  
Drop first color, yo with new color, draw through last 2 lps of st.



**Double crochet (dc):**  
Yo, insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, [yo, pull through 2 lps] twice.



**Double treble crochet (dtr):** Yo 3 times, insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, [yo, pull through 2 lps] 4 times.



**Treble crochet (tr):**  
Yo twice, insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, [yo, pull through 2 lps] 3 times.

