

His and Hers Baby Blankets



I love to knit and crochet more than almost anything else on Earth (except taking care of my two wonderful babies), and I love to knit and crochet for babies in particular! When I heard that I had a niece AND a nephew (twins!) on the way, I knew I wanted to make them something special, but it needed to be something fast and easy to pick up and put down, since I have two small children of my own. Thus were born the His and Hers Baby Blankets.

They are giant granny squares knit in wonderful, colorful, super easy-care Lion Brand Vanna's Choice Baby and Vanna's Choice. A giant granny square looks quilt-like and complicated, but is actually the easiest, quickest blanket you could ever manage! Due to its simplicity, this is an excellent first crochet project. There are just three stitches involved: chain stitch, slip stitch and double crochet. Also, gauge is not terribly important in this project since it's a blanket and as written, it only uses about half a ball of each color, so if your gauge is tighter and the blanket is a little small, just crochet a few extra rounds to make it big enough.

Yarn Requirements:

Lion Brand Vanna's Choice Baby and Vanna's Choice

Girl's Blanket: 1 ball each of Vanna's Choice Baby in Angel White (A) and Pink Poodle (C)

1 ball of Vanna's Choice in Pink (B)

Boy's Blanket: 1 ball each of Vanna's Choice Baby in Angel White (A), Aqua (B) and Little Boy Blue (C)

Notions:

Crochet hook in size J/10 – 6.00 mm

Tapestry needle for weaving in ends

Gauge: Not critical for this project

Pattern

- ❖ With yarn A, ch 4 and join with a slip stitch to form a ring.
- ❖ Round 1: Ch 3 (counts as first dc), 2 dc in ring, *ch 1, 3 dc in ring, rep from * 2 more times, ch 1, join with sl st in top of beginning ch. Fasten off A.
- ❖ Round 2: Join B with sl st in any ch-1 space, ch 3, (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same space, *ch 1, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-1 space, rep from * 2 more times, ch 1; join with sl st in top of beginning ch. Fasten off B.
- ❖ Round 3: Join C with sl st in any ch-2 space, ch 3 (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same space, *ch 1, 3 dc in next ch -1 space, ch 1, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 space, rep from * 2 more times, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-1 space, ch 1; join with sl st in top of beginning ch. Fasten off C.
- ❖ Rounds 4-19: Repeat round 3 (doing 3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc at the corners and ch 1, 3 dc in each non-corner ch-1 space), alternating colors A, B and C each round until the blanket measures 19 rounds or around 30 inches, as shown in the pictures on the first page.

Weave in ends.

Legend:

Ch – chain

Sl st – slip stitch

Dc – double crochet