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# Dream Catcher Blanket

On a wonderful and cool night or day, feel warmth and love when you wrap your special little boy in this stylish Dream Catcher Blanket! As he falls into a gentle slumber, may his bad dreams get tangled in the blanket's intricate basket-weave design, and his good dreams softly slip through. While promising a peaceful bedtime, this blanket's versatility allows it to make a stylish, fashionforward addition to your nursery or home décor.

IMAGINE THIS: Crochet with gorgeous merino wool yarn for cold days, or use any yarn weights for other seasons and occasions. Make an equally stunning blanket in colors of your choice! Because the blanket size is so easily adjusted, make it a baby blankie, a king-size comforter, bedspread or a stylish scarf for yourself by working first 23-33 rows of stitch pattern. Experiment with two different designs of border stitch patterns – as in the featured white blanket – and easily apply them to any custom-sized pieces without any adjustments and recalculating. Even more, work only first 6 rounds of white blanket's border to get a third option of different looking and fun border!

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#### Yarn

#### Worsted weight (#4 Medium).

**Option 1 (shown p. 2):** Cascade Yarns Pacific (60% acrylic, 40% superwash merino wool; 213 yd [195 m]/3.5 oz [100 g]): 12 skeins of #20 baby blue.

#### Sport weight (#2 Fine).

**Option 2 (shown p. 7):** Omega Isuela (100% mercerized cotton; 295 yd [270 m]/3.52 oz [100 g]): 9 skeins of #1 white.

#### **Crochet Hook**

Size G/6 (4 mm); size D/3 (3.25 mm)

#### Sizes

**Option 1:** 47" (120 cm) x 53" (135 cm) without tassels **Option 2:** 41" (104 cm) x 49" (125 cm)

#### Gauge

**Option 1:** 17 dc x 9 rows = 4" (10 cm) **Option 2:** 19 dc x 10 rows = 4" (10 cm) Gauge is not critical for this design.

#### **Notions**

• 1 spool (10 yd [9.5 m]) of 3/8"

(1 cm) wide printed ribbon (**shown:** Celebrate It, item #107045)

• 4 stitch markers

- 4" (10 cm) long piece of cardboard
- Sewing needle and coordinating thread
- Tapestry needle for weaving in ends

### **SPECIAL STITCHES AND NOTES**

#### Back Loop Horizontal puff stitch (BLhorizontal puff st):

Working in back loop only, 2 dc in indicated stitch, yarn over, insert hook into next ch-1 sp and pull up a loop, yarn over and pull through 2 loops, (yarn over, insert hook from front to back under posts of previous dc and current stitch and pull up a loop) 3 (4) times, yarn over and pull through all 8 (10) loops on hook.

Beginning block stitch (beg block st): Ch 6 (counts as dc and ch-3), dc in 4th ch from hook, dc in next 2 chs.

**Block stitch (block st):** Dc in indicated stitch or space, ch 3, 3 dc around dc just made.

**Horizontal puff stitch (horizontal puff st):** Dc in next dc, yarn over, insert hook into next ch-1 sp and pull up a loop, yarn over and pull through 2 loops, (yarn over, insert hook from front to back under posts of previous dc and current stitch and pull up a loop) 2 (3, 4) times, yarn over and pull through all 6 (8, 10) loops on hook.

**Note:** Variations of horizontal puff stitch may be applied. The more loops you add you choice to add to this stitch, the puffer it will get and the more yarn it will take. Option 1 is worked with a 4-times repeat; Blanket for Option 2 is worked with a 3-times repeat.

**Reverse single crochet (reverse sc):** Keeping hook pointing to the left, insert hook into next stitch to the right and pull up a loop, yarn over and pull through 2 loops.

#### **BLANKET**

Refer to Schematic, p. 5 and Blanket Stitch Diagram, p. 6 for assistance (see Stitch Key on p. 9).

Note: Schematic is shown in actual number of pattern and row repeats.

Ch 185 (a multiple of 44 + 9).

**Row 1 (RS):** Dc in 4th ch from hook, and next 6 chs, [ch 1, sk next ch, dc in next 35 chs, ch 1, sk next ch, dc in next 7 chs] across, turn—175 dc and 8 ch-1 sps. **Rows 2-3:** Ch 3 (counts as dc throughout), dc in next 6 dc, [ch 1, dc in next 35 dc, ch 1, dc in next 7 dc] across, turn.

**Row 4:** Ch 3, dc in next 6 dc, [ch 1, dc in next dc, (ch 1, sk next dc, dc in next dc) 17 times, ch 1, dc in next 7 dc] across, turn.

**Row 5:** Ch 3, dc in next 6 dc, [ch 1, (dc in next dc, ch 1, make horizontal puff st (*see Special Stitches and Notes*)) 3 times, dc in next dc, ch 1, (dc in next dc, dc in next ch-1 sp) 3 times, dc in next dc, (dc in next dc, ch 1, make horizontal puff st) 3 times, dc in next dc, ch 1, dc in next 7 dc] across, turn.

**Row 6:** Ch 3, dc in next 6 dc, [(ch 1, dc in next dc, ch 1, dc in first dc on next horizontal puff st) 3 times, ch 1, dc in next dc, ch 1, dc in next 7 dc] across, turn.

**Row 7:** Ch 3, dc in next 6 dc, [ch 1, (dc in next dc, ch 1, make horizontal puff st) 3 times, dc in next dc, ch 1, dc in next 7 dc] across, turn.

Rows 8-9: Rep Rows 6-7.

**Row 10:** Ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1 throughout), sk first and next dc, dc in next dc, (ch 1, sk next dc, dc in next dc) 2 times, [(ch 1, dc in next dc, ch 1, dc in first dc on next horizontal puff st) 3 times, ch 1, dc in next dc, ch 1, dc in next 7 dc, (ch 1, dc in next dc, ch 1, dc in first dc on next horizontal puff st) 3 times, (ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next dc) 2 times, (ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next dc) 3 times, dc in next dc, 3 times] across, turn.

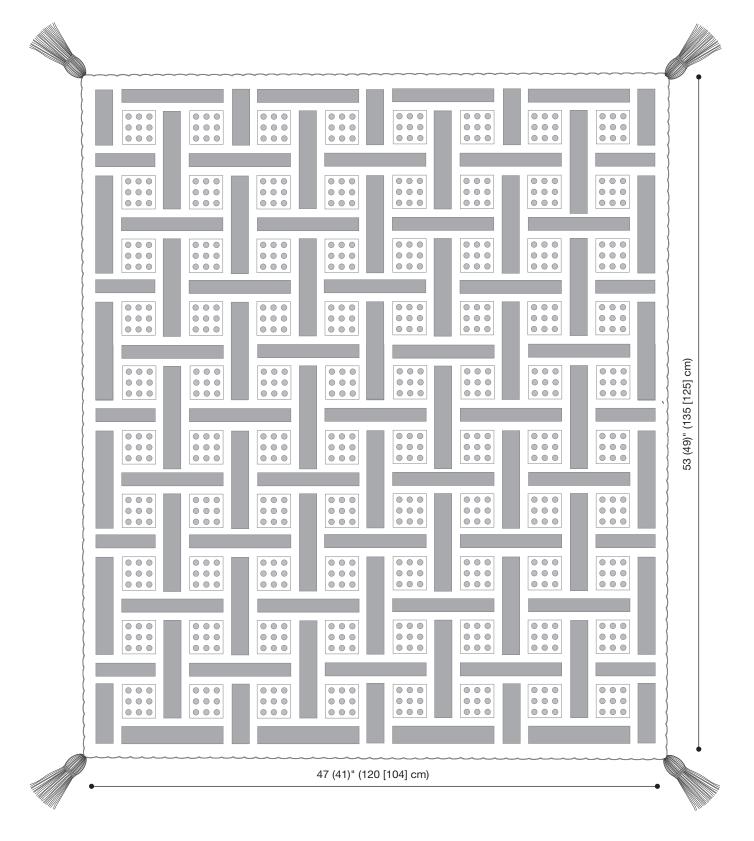
**Row 11:** Ch 3, (dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next dc) 10 times, [ch 1, dc in next 7 dc, ch 1\*\*, dc in next dc, (dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next dc) 17 times] across, ending last rep at \*\*, dc in next dc, (dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next dc) 10 times, turn.

**Rows 12-13:** Ch 3, dc in next 20 dc, [ch 1, dc in next 7 dc, ch 1\*\*, dc in next 35 dc] across, ending last rep at \*\*, dc in next 21 dc, turn.

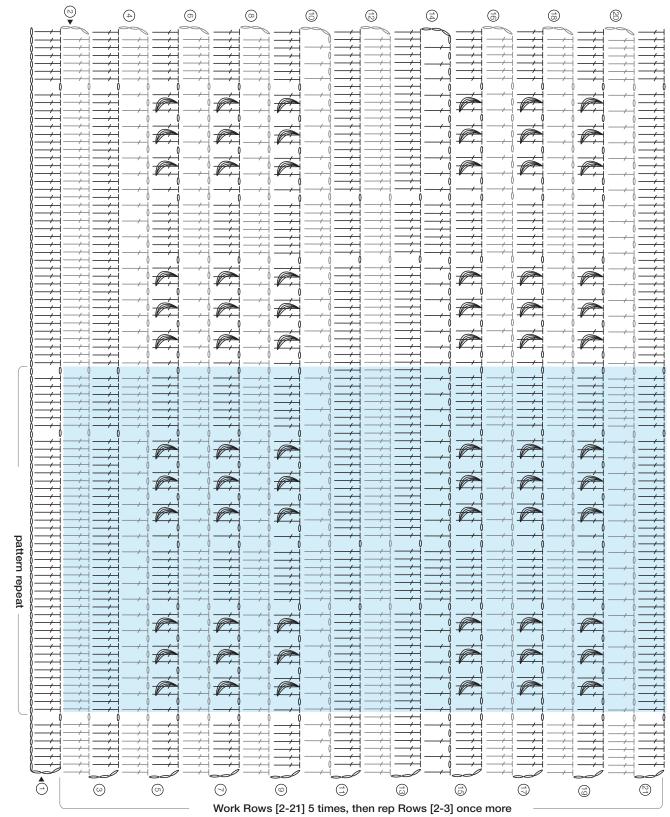
**Row 14:** Ch 4, sk first and next dc, dc in next dc, (ch 1, sk next dc, dc in next dc) 9 times, [ch 1, dc in next 7 dc, ch 1, dc in next dc<sup>\*\*</sup>, (ch 1, sk next dc, dc in next dc) 17 times] across, ending last rep at <sup>\*\*</sup>, (ch 1, sk next dc, dc in next dc) 10 times, turn.



## Schematic



### **Blanket Stitch Diagram**



Ch 185 (a multiple of 44 + 9)

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**Row 15:** Ch 3 (counts as dc), [(dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next dc) 3 times\*\*, ch 1, (dc in next dc, ch 1, make horizontal puff st) 3 times, dc in next dc, ch 1, dc in next 7 dc, ch 1, (dc in next dc, ch 1, make horizontal puff st) 3 times, dc in next dc, ch 1, dc in next dc] across, ending last rep at \*\*, turn.

Rows 16-19: Rep Rows 6-9.

**Row 20:** Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 6 dc, [(ch 1, dc in next dc, ch 1, dc in first dc on next horizontal puff st) 3 times, (ch 1, dc in next dc) 2 times, (ch 1, sk next dc, dc in next dc) 3 times, (ch 1, dc in next dc, ch 1, dc in first dc on next horizontal puff st) 3 times, ch 1, dc in next dc, ch 1, dc in next 7 dc] across, turn.

**Row 21:** Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 6 dc, [ch 1, dc in next dc, (dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next dc) 17 times, ch 1, dc in next 7 dc] across, turn.

Rep Rows [2-21] 4 times; then rep Rows [2-3] once more. At end of last row, DO NOT fasten off.

#### **BLANKET BORDER**

### Option 1

Refer to Blanket Border Stitch Diagram A, p. 9 for assistance.

Place marker in each corner st of Blanket. Begin to work in rounds.

**Rnd 1 (RS):** Ch 1, 3 sc in corner st, move marker to first sc of corner; working along left side of Blanket edge, 2 sc in each ch-3 turning ch and in side of each dc across to last dc, 3 sc in side of last dc, 3 sc in corner st, move marker to first sc of corner; working along lower



edge of Blanket in free loops of beg ch, 183 sc evenly across, 3 sc in corner st, move marker to first sc of corner; working along right side of Blanket edge, 2 sc in each ch-3 turning ch and in side of each dc across to last row, 3 sc in last ch-3 turning ch, 3 sc in corner st, move marker to first sc of corner; working along upper edge of Blanket, 183 sc evenly across, join with sl st to first sc-792 sc.

**Rnd 2:** Ch 1, working in back loops only, sc in first and each sc around, join with sl st to first sc.

**Rnd 3:** Ch 3, (BLhorizontal puff st (see Special Stitches and Notes) in first sc, ch 2, BLhorizontal puff st in next sc, ch 2, \*[BLhorizontal puff st in next sc, ch 2, sk next 3 sc] across to marked st\*\*, (BLhorizontal puff st in next sc, ch 2) 2 times; rep from \* around, ending last rep at \*\*, join with sl st to top of beg ch-3-207 BLhorizontal puff sts.

**Rnd 4:** Ch 1, \*(2 sc in next BLhorizontal puff st, 3 sc in next ch-2 sp) 2 times, 2 sc in each BLhorizontal puff st and ch-2 sp across to marked st; rep from\* around, join with sl st to first sc.

**Rnd 5:** Ch 1, working in back loops only, sc in each sc around, join with sl st to first sc.

**Rnd 6:** Working from left to right in both loops, ch 1, reverse sc (see *Special Stitches and Notes*) in each sc around, join with sl st to first sc. Fasten off.

# **Option 2**

Refer to Blanket Border Stitch Diagram B, p. 9 for assistance.

Place marker in each corner st of Blanket. Begin to work in rounds.

Rnd 1 (RS): Work Rnd 1 of Option 1.

**Rnd 2:** Ch 1, working in back loops only, sc in first sc, move marker to sc just made, [3 sc in next sc, sc in each sc across to next marker st\*\*, sc in next sc, move marker to sc just made] around, ending last rep at \*\*, join with sl st to first sc-800 sc.

**Rnd 3:** Working in both loops, sl st in first sc, ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1 sp), move marker to dc just made, \*(dc, ch 1) 3 times in next sc, [sk next sc, dc in next sc, ch 1] across to next marked st, dc in next sc, move marker to dc just made, ch 1; rep from \* around, join with sl st to 3rd ch of beg ch-4.

**Rnd 4:** Ch 1, sc in first dc, move marker to sc just made, \*sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next dc, 2 sc in next ch-1 sp, 3 sc in next dc, 2 sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in each dc and each ch-1 sp across to next marked st\*\*, sc in next dc, move marker to sc just made; rep from \* around, ending last rep at \*\*, join with sl st to first sc.

**Rnd 5:** Ch 1, sc in each sc around, moving markers to first sc of each corner.

**Rnd 6:** Beg block st (see Special Stitches and Notes), move marker to block st just made, \*sk next 3 sc, (block st in next sc, sk next sc) 2 times, [block st in next sc, sk next 3 sc] across to next marked st, block st in next sc, move marker to block st just made; rep from \* around, join with sl st to 3rd ch of beg ch-6. **Rnd 7:** SI st in next 3 chs of beg ch-3 sp, ch 1, sc in same ch-3 sp, move marker to sc just made, \*ch 3, sc in ch-3 sp of next block st, (ch 5, sc in ch-3 sp of next block st) 2 times, [ch 3, sc in ch-3 sp of next block st] across to next marker st, ch-3\*\*, sc in ch-3 sp of next block st, place marker in sc just made; rep from \* around, ending last rep at \*\*, join with sI st to first sc.

**Rnd 8:** Ch 1, sc in first sc, work sc in each sc, 3 sc in each ch-3 sp and 6 sc in each ch-5 sp around, join with sl st to first sc.

**Rnd 9:** Working from left to right, ch 1, reverse sc (*see Special Stitches and Notes*) in each sc around, join with sl st to first sc. Fasten off.

#### **FINISHING**

### **Blocking**

Wet or steam block Blanket to finished measurements. Weave in loose ends with a tapestry needle.

# Tassels (Option 1)

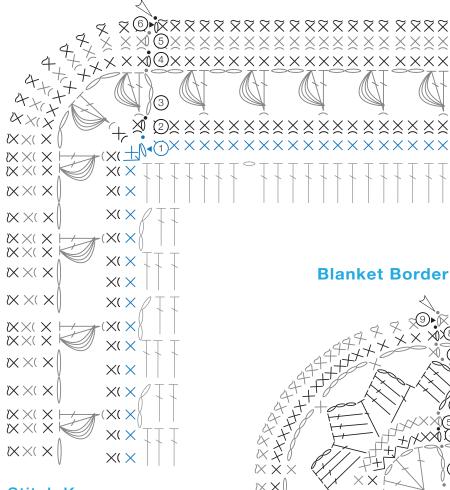
Make four 3" (8 cm) long tassels and attach them to each corner of Scarf (see tutorial Making a Tassel on p. 13).

## Ribbon (Option 2)

Weave ribbon through every other ch-1 sp of Rnd 3. Tie a bow; secure with a couple of stitches with sewing needle and thread.



### Blanket Border Stitch Diagram A | Option 1



### **Stitch Key**

- chain (ch)
- - slip stitch (sl st)
- × single crochet (sc)
- 3 sc in indicated stitch
- - worked in back loop only



- double crochet (dc)



- horizontal puff st

- back loop horizontal puff st (BLhorizontal puff st)

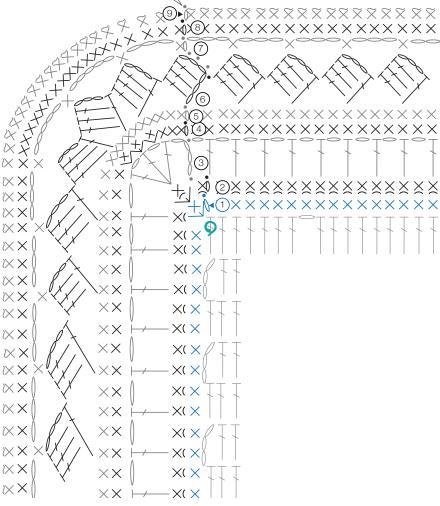
## **Diagram Key**



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- stitch marker

## Blanket Border Stitch Diagram B | Option 2



# Glossary

## ABBREVIATIONS | U.S. Crochet Terms are used throughout the pattern\*

beg	begin(s); beginning	pm	place marker
BLsc	back loop single crochet	prev	previous
BLdc	back loop double crochet	puff st	puff stitch
BP	back post	rem	remain(s); remaining
CC	contrasting color	rep	repeat(s)
ch	chain	reverse sc	reverse single crochet
ch-sp	chain space	rnd(s)	round(s)
cm	centimeter(s)	RS	right side(s)
dc	double crochet	SC	single crochet
dec(s)	decrease(s); decreasing	sk	skip
dtr	double treble crochet	sl st	slip stitch
FP	front post	sp	space(s)
g	gram(s)	st(s)	stitch(es)
hdc	half double crochet	tog	together
inc(s)	increase(s); increasing	tr	treble crochet
m	meter/marker	ttr	triple treble crochet
MC	main color	V-st	V-stitch
		WS	wrong side
mm	millimeter(s)	yd	yard(s)
oz	ounce(s)	уо	yarn over
patt	pattern		

\* There is a difference between the crochet stitch terminology in North America and that used in UK/Australia/Europe. These is one set of basic stitches worldwide, but there are two sets names for them (see Conversion Charts on page 12).



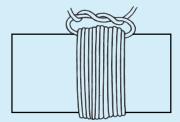


# Techniques

### **MAKING A TASSEL**



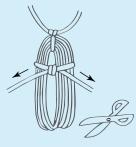
Cut a piece of strong cardboard about 1" (2.5 cm) longer than the desired length of tassel.



Cut a strand of yarn about 6" (15 cm) long and place it across the top of cardboard. This will be the hanging loop.

Wrap yarn lengthwise around the cardboard about 30-35 times (the more layers you wrap, the fuller your finished tassel will be). Cut yarn once wrapped.

Tie the hanging loop securely around the top of tassel.



Slide the wraps and hanging loop carefully off the cardboard.

Cut another a strand of yarn about 10" (25 cm) long and wrap tightly around all the strands, 1/4 to 1" (0.5-2.5 cm) from the hanging loop.

Using sharp scissors, cut the wraps on the opposite side of the hanging loop.



With tapestry needle, secure the ends of the wrapping yarn.

Trim the ends.

# **Conversion Charts**

	TERMS					
SYMBOLS	U.S.	DK UK				
0	chain	chain				
•	slip stitch (sl st)	slip stitch (sl st)				
×	single crochet (sc)	double crochet (dc)				
Ţ	half double crochet (hdc)	half treble crochet (htr)				
	double crochet (dc)	treble crochet (tr)				
	treble crochet (dtr)	double treble crochet (dtr)				
	double treble crochet (dtr)	triple treble crochet (ttr)				
	3-dc cluster	3-tr cluster				
	fasten off	cast off				
	skip/ skip over	miss				
	gauge	tension				
	yarn over	yarn over hook (yoh)				







Aluminum Crochet Hook Sizes*							
Metric	U.S.	😹 ик					
2.25 mm	B/1	13					
2.75 mm	C/2	12					
3.25 mm	D/3	10					
3.5 mm	E/4	9					
3.75 mm	F/5	—					
4 mm	G/6	8					
4.5 mm	7	7					
5 mm	H/8	6					
5.5 mm	I/9	5					
6 mm	J/10	4					
6.5 mm	K/10 1/2	3					
8 mm	L/11	0					
9 mm	M-N/13	00					
10 mm	N-P/15	000					
15 mm	P-Q	-					
16 mm	Q	-					

Steel Crochet Hook Sizes*						
Metric	U.S.	₩ UK				
0.75 mm	14	_				
0.85 mm	13	7				
1 mm	12	6 1/2				
1.1 mm	11	6				
1.3 mm	10	5 1/2				
1.4 mm	9	5				
1.5 mm	8	4 1/2				
1.65 mm	7	4				
1.8 mm	6	3 1/2				
1.9 mm	5	3				
2 mm	4	2 1/2				
2.1 mm	3	2				
2.25 mm	2	1 1/2				
2.75 mm	1	1				
3.25 mm	0	0				
3.5 mm	00	—				

\* Letter or number may vary. Rely on the millimeter (mm) sizing.

	LENG	тн	WEIGHT			
	Imperial	Metric	Imperial	Metric		
1/16"	0.0625	1.6 mm	1/2 oz	14 g		
1/8"	0.1250	3 mm	1 oz	28.5 g		
1/4"	0.2500	6 mm	1.5 oz	42.5 g		
1/2"	0.5000	1.25 cm	1.76 oz	50 g		
3/4"	0.7500	1.9 cm	2 oz	56.7 g		
1"	1.0000	2.54 cm	3 oz	85 g		
6"	6.0000	15 cm	3.52 oz	100 g		
12" (1 ft)	12.0000	30.5 cm	4 oz	113.5 g		
36"	36.0000	91.5 cm	16 oz (1 lb)	453.6 g		

# Yarn Care Symbols

MACHINE WASH				TUMBLE DRY								
Temp	perature	e Cycle S		Special		Heat Set		Bettin	ettings		Cycle	
<u>[.</u> ]	Cold		Normal		Hand Wash	$\bigcirc$	Normal	$\bigcirc$	High	$\bigcirc$	Normal	
\	Warm		Permanent Press	$\boxtimes$	DO NOT Wash	$\bigcirc$	Low		NO Heat	$\bigcirc$	Permanent Press	
\	Hot		Delicate			$\overline{\odot}$	Medium	$\bigotimes$	DO NOT Tumble Dry	$\bigcirc$	Delicate	
	IRON					DRY						
	Tempe	eratu	re	Sp	ecial	Directions			C	Other		
÷	Low		High	R	DO NOT Iron		Line		Drip	$\bowtie$	DO NOT Dry	
<u> </u>	Medium	2	Any, Steam or Dry	₹ ₩	DO NOT Steam		Flat		In Shade	<b>※</b>	DO NOT Wring	
			DRY C	LEAN	J	BLEACH						
$\bigcirc$	Dry Clean	$\bigcirc$	Short Cycle	$\bigcirc$	Any Solvent			$\triangle$	Any Bleach as Necessary			
O,	Low Heat	$\bigcirc$	Reduced Moisture	Ð	Petroleum Solvent Only				Non-Chlorin Necessary	ie Blead	ch as	
$\bigcirc$	No Steam	$\otimes$	DO NOT Dry Clean	P	Any Solvent Expect Trichloroethylene			*	DO NOT BI	each		



# Yarn Substitution Chart

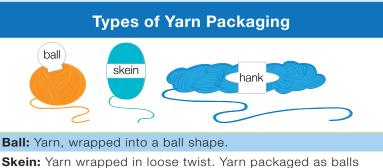
Yarn Weight*		Ply Wraps UK/ per AU inch		Gauge in sc to 4" (10 cm)	Recommended Hook Sizes Range				
					Metric	<b>U.S.</b>	₩ UK		
	Lace weight (#0 Lace)	3 ply	_	32—42** dc	1.6—1.4 mm	Steel*** 6, 7, 8 Aluminum B/1	Steel 3 1/2 , 4, 4 1/2 Aluminum 13		
<b>UPER FINE</b>	Fingering weight (#1 Super Fine)	4 ply	14 wpi	21-32 sts	2.25-3.25 mm	B/1 to E/4	13 to 9		
	Sport weight (#2 Fine)	5 ply	12 wpi	16-20 sts	3.5-4.5 mm	E/4 to 7	9 to 7		
	Dk weight (#3 Light)	8 ply	11 wpi	12-17 sts	4.5-5.5 mm	7 to I/9	7 to 5		
C 4 MEDIUM	Worsted weight (#4 Medium)	10 ply	9 wpi	11—14 sts	5.5—6.5 mm	l/9 to K/10 1/2	5 to 3		
<b>5</b> BULKY	Chunky weight (#5 Bulky)	12 ply	7 wpi	8-11 sts	6.5—9 mm	K/10 1/2 to M/13	3 to 00		
<b>G</b> SUPER BULKY	Bulky weight (#6 Super Bulky)		5-6 wpi	5-9 sts	9 mm and larger	M/13 and larger	00 and larger		



\* **GUIDELINES ONLY:** The above reflect the most commonly used gauges and hook sizes for specific yarn categories.

\*\* Lace weight yarns are usually knitted or crocheted on larger needles and hooks to create lacy, openwork patterns. Accordingly, a gauge range is difficult to determine. Always follow the gauge stated in your pattern.

\*\*\* Steel crochet hooks are sized differently from regular hooks—the higher the number, the smaller the hook, which is the reverse of regular hook sizing.



**Skein:** Yarn wrapped in loose twist. Yarn packaged as balls and skeins come ready to knit or crochet.

**Hank:** Yarn wound into a large circle and then folded. You need to wind hanks into a ball before use them.



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