

# Attic24 Canalboat Blanket



## Materials

**Attic24 Canalboat Yarn Pack** 15 × 100g balls of Stylecraft Special DK or 30 × 50g balls of Yarnsmiths Merino DK

**Hook** 4-5mm (see information below about tension)

## Pattern Information

The finished blanket measures approximately 120cm × 175cm (Special DK) or 100cm × 150cm (Merino DK). Starting chains for alternative sizes are given at the end of the pattern. The pattern requires a 4-5mm hook (or hook sizes which will achieve the correct tension/size).

The pattern is written in UK crochet terms using the following stitches and abbreviations:

<b>tr</b>	treble crochet
<b>dc</b>	double crochet
<b>ch</b>	chain
<b>st(s)</b>	stitch(es)
<b>sp</b>	space
<b>sk</b>	skip

## Tension/Size

I would strongly advise you to work a small tension sample before you start on your blanket to familiarise yourself with the pattern repeats. This will also let you test out your gauge and determine which hook size will work best.

You will need to use a bigger hook size than your usual size to crochet the foundation chain and the first row. Then switch down to your usual hook size for all subsequent rows. The standard hook size for DK yarn is a 4mm, so you should use a 4.5mm/5mm for the chain and first row, then switch to a 4mm for all other rows. This will help prevent your blanket bowing along the bottom edge.

Complete 5 rows of your tension sample, making sure your bottom edge sits flat. Your sample should measure approx. 20cm across for Special DK, or 18cm for the Merino DK. You can use bigger or smaller hook sizes to achieve the correct gauge. It's worth taking the time to experiment with a small sample and different hook sizes until you're happy with the outcome, then you can start your blanket with confidence.

## Blanket Pattern

**To Begin** [use colour Tomato/Burnt Orange]

**Remember to use a larger hook size for the chain and row 1.**

Chain 31 for a tension sample (18/20cm width); Chain 179 for Special DK (120 cm width) ; Chain 155 for Merino DK (100cm width}.

The starting chain should always be a multiple of 4, plus an extra 3. Starting chains for alternative sizes are given at the end of the pattern.

### **Row 1 : Right Side facing**

(keep larger hook size)

Start in 4th ch from hook, work 1 tr in each ch; fasten off.

[29 tr for tension sample]

[177 tr for Special DK]

[153 tr for Merino DK]

Turn the work.

### **Row 2 : Wrong Side facing**

(change to smaller hook size)

Use colour Teal/Teal

Insert hook into first stitch and pull through a loop of new yarn;

Ch 3 (counts as 1 tr); 1 tr into each stitch until one stitch remains; work final tr into top of the ch-3 in previous row, changing colour (Lime/Light Olive) in last yarn over. Do NOT fasten off, leave Teal yarn attached ready to pick back up later.

[29 tr for tension sample]

[177 tr for Special DK]

[153 tr for Merino]

Ch 1 with new colour; turn the work.

### **Row 3 : Right Side facing**

Continue with colour Lime/Light Olive

1 dc in first st;

\* sk next st; 5 tr in next st; sk next st; 1 dc in next st;

Repeat from \* to end, fasten off.

[7 shells for tension sample]

[44 shells for Special DK]

[38 shells for Merino DK]

Do NOT turn work.

### **Row 4 : Right Side facing**

Picking back up with colour Teal/Teal

Starting at the beginning of previous row, insert hook into beginning dc stitch and pull through a loop of colour Teal yarn.

Ch 3 (counts as 1 tr); 1 tr in same st;

Sk 2 sts; 1 dc in next st;

\* Sk 2 sts; 3 tr in next dc; sk 2 sts; 1 dc in next st;

Repeat from \* until 3 sts remain.

Sk over 2 sts; work 2 tr in last dc; fasten off.

[29 tr for tension sample]

[177 tr for Special DK]

[153 tr for Merino]

Do NOT turn work.

You might find it useful to attach a stitch marker to the front of Row 3, to indicate the right side for future reference.

### **Row 5 : Right Side facing**

Use colour Camel/Vanilla Fudge

Starting at the beginning of previous row, insert hook into the 3rd ch of beginning ch-3 and pull through a loop of new yarn.

Ch 3 (counts as 1 tr); work 1 tr in each st to end; fasten off.

[29 tr for tension sample]

[177 tr for Special DK]

[153 tr for Merino]

Turn the work.

Tension sample after Row 5 should measure 20cm (Special DK) or 18cm (Merino DK).

Rows 2 to 5 form the pattern repeat, as follows:

<b>Row 2 : Wrong Side facing</b>	tr row (leave yarn attached)
<b>Row 3 : Right Side facing</b>	shell row
<b>Row 4 : Right Side facing</b>	straightening row (same colour as row 2)
<b>Row 5 : Right Side facing</b>	tr row

Continue following the pattern as for rows 2-5, using the worksheets which list the colours to use for each row.

## Alternative Blanket Widths using Stylecraft Special DK

<b>Baby blanket</b>	70cm / 28" width	Chain 103	25 shells
<b>Lap throw</b>	90cm / 36" width	Chain 135	33 shells
<b>Single/twin blanket</b>	120cm / 48" width	Chain 179	44 shells
<b>Double bed blanket<sup>1</sup></b>	180cm / 72" width	Chain 263	65 shells
<b>King bed blanket<sup>1</sup></b>	210cm / 84" width	Chain 307	76 shells

<sup>1</sup> Requires two yarn packs

## Alternative Blanket Widths using Yarnsmiths Merino DK

<b>Baby blanket</b>	70cm / 28" width	Chain 103	25 shells
<b>Small single blanket</b>	100cm / 39" width	Chain 155	38 shells
<b>Double bed blanket<sup>1</sup></b>	180cm / 72" width	Chain 275	68 shells

<sup>1</sup> Requires two yarn packs