

Materials

Attic24 Springfrost Yarn Pack - 12 × 100g balls of Stylecraft Special DK in the following colours:



Pattern Information

The finished blanket measures approximately 120cm x 175cm (single bed size). Starting chains and stripe numbers for alternative sizes are given at the end of the pattern. The pattern requires a 4 mm 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:

Abbreviations

The pattern is written using UK crochet terms as follows:

ch	Chain
st(s)	Stitch(es)
sp	Space
sk	Skip
sl st	Slip Stitch
tr	Treble Crochet
sp-tr	Treble Crochet Spike Stitch (a treble crochet worked into the skipped stitch two rows below the current one, drawing the loop up to the height of the current working row)

Tension/Size

If you crochet loosely, you will need to make sure that after your first six rows your crochet measures roughly 120cm, otherwise you will need more than 15 x 100g balls. You can reduce your hook size, or reduce your starting chain to achieve the correct size. Just remember to make your starting chain a multiple of 4, plus 3. I would very strongly advise you to work a small tension sample before you start on your blanket. This will help you to familiarise yourself with the pattern repeats as well as giving you a way to test out your gauge and determine which hook size will work best.

Start with a 4mm hook, and measure your sample after you've completed 8 rows. Your sample should measure approx. 18cm across. You can use a bigger or smaller hook size to achieve the correct size.

The Blanket

To Begin, use Cloud Blue

Chain 195 for a single/twin blanket (120cm. width) or chain 31 for a tension sample (18cm. width).

Note : 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

Begin in 4th ch from hook, work 1 tr into each st along; turn [193 sts for blanket, or 29 sts for tension sample].

Row 2

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

★ 3 tr in next st; ch 1; sk 3 sts;

Repeat from ★ until you have the last stitch in the top of the turning chain remaining;

2 tr in top of turning chain; fasten off; turn [48 ch-1 sp for blanket, 7 ch-1 sp for tension sample]

Row 3, use Parma Violet

Insert hook into first stitch and pull through a loop of the new colour.

Ch 3 (counts as 1 tr); 1 tr in same st; work a sp-tr into the tr two rows below (this will be the middle stitch out of the 3 that you skipped over).

★ Sk next tr; 3 tr in next st; sk next tr; work a sp-tr into the tr two rows below;

Repeat from ★ until 2 stitches remain;

Sk next tr; 2tr in last st (this will be the top of the ch-3); turn [48 spikes for blanket, 7 spikes for tension sample]

Row 4

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

★ sk the next 3 sts; 3 tr in next st; ch 1;

Repeat from ★ until you have the last stitch remaining;

2 tr in last st (this will be the top of the ch-3); fasten off; turn [48 ch-1 sp for blanket, 7 ch-1 sp for tension sample]

Row 5, use Blue Marl

Insert hook into first stitch and pull through a loop of the new colour.

Ch 3 (counts as 1 tr); 1 tr in same st; work a sp-tr into the sp-tr stitch two rows below;

★ Sk next tr; 3 tr in next st; sk next tr; work a sp-tr into the sp-tr stitch two rows below;

Repeat from ★ until 2 stitches remain;

Sk next tr; 2tr in last st (this will be the top of the ch-3); turn [48 spikes for blanket, 7 spikes for tension sample]

Row 6

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

★ sk the next 3 sts; 3 tr in next st; ch 1;

Repeat from ★ until you have the last stitch remaining;

2 tr in last st (this will be the top of the ch-3); fasten off; turn [48 ch-1 sp for blanket, 7 ch-1 sp for tension sample]

NOTE

Rows 5 and 6 form the pattern repeat

Row 7, use Spearmint

Repeat row 5

Row 8

Repeat row 6

Row 9, use Wisteria

Repeat row 5

Row 10

Repeat row 6

Carry on repeating rows 5 and 6. Follow the suggested colour sequence given each week of the CAL, changing colours every alternate row until you have completed all given stripes.

Final Stripe

Repeat row 5; do not fasten off; turn.

NOTE

This next final row will form a straight top edge to your blanket.

Final Row

Ch 3 (counts as 1 tr); work 1 tr in each st along (note that the last tr goes into the top of the ch-3); fasten off and darn in all ends.

NOTE

When darning in ends, make sure you don't darn over any skipped stitches that might need to accommodate a spike in the next stripe!

Alternative Blanket Widths

Baby blanket	(70cm / 28" width)	Chain 115	
Lap throw	(90cm / 36" width)	Chain 147	
Single/twin blanket	(120cm / 48" width)	Chain 195	
Double bed blanket	(180cm / 72" width)	Chain 291	<i>requires two yarn packs</i>
King bed blanket	(210cm / 84" width)	Chain 336	<i>requires two yarn packs</i>

Alternative Blanket Lengths

Baby blanket	(70cm / 28" width)	54 stripes	
Lap throw	(90cm / 36" width)	72 stripes	
Single/twin blanket	(120cm / 48" width)	105 stripes	
Double bed blanket	(180cm / 72" width)	105 stripes	<i>requires two yarn packs</i>
King bed blanket	(210cm / 84" width)	133 stripes	<i>requires two yarn packs</i>

NOTE

For the King bed blanket with 133 stripes, work as for double bed length, then repeat colour order as for stripes 1-18.