

HOUSEWARMING THROW



Skill Level:  INTERMEDIATE

Finished Size: *You may make this throw to any desired dimensions. Sample throw measured approx. 50" x 70".*

Materials:



- DK or light worsted weight yarn – approx. 3,500 yards for finished size give above.
- Crochet hook size K (6.5 mm)
- Measuring tape

Pattern Notes:

- *There is no right or wrong side to this throw; both sides are basically the same.*
- *The stitch count remains the same on each row.*
- *You may work to your own gauge.*

Special Term: **Lower Loops only:** *Each hdc has 3 loops that you can see when looking at the completed stitch. There are the front and back loops at the top of the stitch, but there is also what I term a “lower loop” which lays on the wrong side of the stitch. As you are working back across a row of hdc, you will find this lower loop positioned on the face of your work, directly below the front loop. When working in the lower lps only across a row of hdc, the front and back loops will remain unworked and create the knit-look ribbing on the side facing away from you.*

Special Stitch: **Knit-look Rib Stitch:** *Insert hook in same sp at base of stitch just completed, yo, pull up a loop, insert hook in next st, yo, pull up a loop so there are 3 loops on hook, pull 3rd loop through 1st 2 loops to complete. (This creates knit-look ribbing on the opposite side of your work.)*

Throw:

Row 1: Make a chain of desired size for **blanket length** (before approx. 12" edging), hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across. Ch 1, turn. **Sample blanket began with a starting chain measuring approx. 58" long.**

Row 2: Working in **lower loops only**, sc in 1st st, **knit-look rib stitch** in each st across to last st, sc in last st. Ch 1, turn.

Row 3: Working in **back loops only**, hdc in each st across. Ch 1, turn.

Rows 4-9: Repeat rows 2 & 3.

Row 10: Repeat row 3.

Rows 11-18: Repeat rows 2-3.

Tip: I found it helpful to keep track of what row I was on by marking them on a piece of paper as I worked. It is easier than having to count how many ribbed rows you have completed later, especially if you have to put your work down for a period of time.

Remaining rows: Repeat rows 10-18. Work until blanket reaches desired width. **Do not fasten off.**



Edging:

Side 1:

Row 1: Ch 22, sc in 2nd ch from hook, skip 1 ch, hdc in next ch, fphdc around post of hdc just made, (sc in next ch, skip 1 ch, hdc in next ch, fphdc around post of hdc just made) 6 times. Join with sl st in next 2 sts or ends of rows at edge of throw. Turn. (21 sts – excluding joins)

Row 2: Working in **back loops only**, (sc in next st, skip 1 st, hdc in next st, fphdc around post of hdc just made) across. Ch 1, turn. (21 sts)



4 Row 3: Working in **back loops only**, (sc in next st, skip 1 st, hdc in next st, fphdc around post of hdc just made) across. Join with sl st in next 2 sts or ends of rows at edge of throw. Turn. (21 sts)

Remaining rows: Repeat rows 2 & 3, ending with a repetition of row 2. Work until you have edged one side of the throw entirely. **Do not fasten off.**

Side 2: Work exactly as per side 1, beginning with ch 22 to get the height for the side 2 edging. The sl st joins will be placed initially in the sts of the last row of the side 1 edging. Work until you have completely edged side 2 of the throw.

Side 3: Work exactly as per side 2. The sl st joins will be placed initially in the sts of the last row of the side 2 edging. Work until you have completely edged side 3 of the throw.

Side 4: Work exactly as per side 2. The sl st joins will be placed initially in the sts of the last row of the side 3 edging. The sl st joins of the final rows of side 4 (as you complete the 4th corner) will be placed in the remaining loops of the foundation chain of row 1, side 1. Fasten off.