

## Easy Crochet Baby Blanket Pattern Perfect For Beginners



Crochet is a timeless craft that allows individuals to create beautiful and functional items with just a hook and some yarn. For beginners, starting with a simple and easy project is essential to build confidence and master basic crochet techniques. One such delightful project perfect for beginners is a crochet baby blanket. In this article, we will explore an effortless crochet baby blanket pattern that is ideal for newcomers to the world of crochet.

Are you in search of a speedy yet thoughtful baby shower gift? Look no further! This free pattern utilizes the double crochet stitch, allowing you to whip up a cozy blanket in no time. It's not only a breeze to make but also incredibly versatile – perfect for draping over a car seat or stroller. Plus, you have the creative freedom to craft it in the mom-to-be's favorite color, making it a truly personalized present.

This uncomplicated blanket requires just 2 skeins of yarn and a handful of basic stitches. The beauty of this pattern lies in its simplicity. You can opt for any yarn you fancy, as long as it's worsted weight. Personally, I recommend using a high-quality acrylic yarn or a 100% cotton yarn; both options provide a luxurious feel and durability, ensuring the blanket remains soft and

snug for the little one.

## Materials You'll Need

Before we dive into the pattern, let's gather the materials required for this project:

*Yarn:* Choose a soft and cozy yarn in your preferred color. Baby-friendly yarns are often made of cotton or acrylic for easy care.

*Crochet Hook:* J/10 (6.00 mm) Crochet Hook

*Yarn Needle:* This will be used for weaving in loose ends and finishing touches.

*Scissors:* Essential for cutting the yarn at the end of your project.

## Blanket Pattern

Begin by chaining 100 stitches. (Refer to the chart below if you wish to create a larger blanket than the baby blanket size indicated.)

*Row 1:* Double crochet in the third chain and in each chain across, totaling 99 double crochet stitches including the initial chain 2. Chain 1 and turn.

*Row 2:* Double crochet in the first stitch (do not skip a stitch as the chain 1 does not count as a stitch) and in the next two stitches. Chain 1, skip a stitch, double crochet in the next three stitches across. At the end of this row, you'll have 75 double crochets and 24 chain 1 spaces. Chain 1 and turn.

**Note:** In row 2, work into the top of the chain 2 at the end of the row. In subsequent rows, only work into the last "real" double crochet at the end of each row.

*Row 3:* Double crochet in the first stitch and in each stitch and chain 1 space across, totaling 99 double crochet stitches. Chain 1 and turn.

Repeat rows 2 and 3 for a total of 57 rows.



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### **Optional Border:**

*Round 1:* Single crochet evenly around the entire blanket. Work 3 single crochet stitches in each corner. Slip stitch to the top of the first single crochet stitch to join. The “unfinished” sides of the blanket should have approximately 99 stitches, forming a square shape. Cut yarn and weave in ends.

If you desire a picot border, proceed to round 2.

*Round 2:* For the picot edging, switch to white yarn. Single crochet in 3 stitches, chain 3, and half double crochet in the first chain. Repeat this pattern around the entire blanket.



*For the Picot Border (if unfamiliar):*

*Step 1:* Single crochet in 3 stitches.

*Step 2:* Chain 3, then half double crochet in the first chain (not the one closest to the hook).

*Step 3:* Skip the next stitch.

Repeat steps 1-3 around the blanket. Slip stitch to the top of the first stitch to join. Cut the yarn and weave in the ends to complete your beautiful crochet baby blanket with a picot border.

The My Crafts Inspirations blog thanks each reader who dedicated a little of their time to learn this beautiful pattern. I wish you all a great week and see you on the next crochet pattern, see you next time!

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