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Easy Ripple Afghan Pattern



Welcome to "My Crafts Inspirations," where creativity knows no bounds, and crafting is a celebration of self-expression. Today, let's dive into the world of crochet and explore the beauty of the Easy Ripple Afghan pattern. If you're a crochet enthusiast or a novice looking for a project that blends simplicity with stunning results, you're in for a treat. Let's unravel the magic of ripples and create a cozy masterpiece that will warm both hearts and homes.

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The ripple pattern is a classic in the world of crochet, known for its mesmerizing waves that add texture and visual interest to any project. The Easy Ripple Afghan pattern is an excellent choice for crafters of all skill levels, offering a balance between simplicity and sophistication. Whether you're a beginner or an experienced crocheter, this pattern provides a canvas for your creativity to flourish.

Once you've completed the ripple pattern, finish off your afghan with a neat border. A simple single crochet or a shell stitch border can add the perfect frame to your masterpiece. Weave in any loose ends with a yarn needle, and your Easy Ripple Afghan is ready to cozy up your space.

Materials Required:

Yarn:

Worsted weight acrylic yarn in your preferred colors.

Approximately 12 ounces each of three different colors (36 ounces total) will yield a 40-inch by 60-inch afghan, an ideal size for Project Linus.

For a variegated yarn option, 10 three-ounce skeins were used to create a 40-inch by 60-inch afghan.

Sport or baby sport yarn.

About 21 ounces of baby sport yarn was used to create a 42-inch by 39-inch afghan.

Crochet Hook: Size I for worsted weight yarn. Size G for sport weight/3-ply yarn. Adjust your hook size based on your crochet tension (tight or loose).

Abbreviations/Stitches:

ch – chain dc – double crochet

yo – yarn over

3 st dec – 3 stitch decrease (also known as: dc3tog)

*yo, insert hook through next stitch, yo and pull loop through stitch, yo and pull through first 2 loops on hook; Repeat from * twice. Yo and pull through remaining 4 loops on hook.

2 st dec – 2 stitch decrease (also known as: dcdec or dc2tog)

*yo, insert hook through next stitch, yo and pull loop through stitch, yo and pull through first 2 loops on hook; Repeat from * once. Yo and pull through remaining 3 loops on hook.

Pattern:

Chain a multiple of 16 stitches plus 2 stitches.



For a 40-inch wide afghan in worsted weight yarn, chain 130. For a 55-inch wide afghan in worsted weight yarn, chain 178. For a 41-inch wide afghan in sport weight/3-ply yarn, chain 178.

Row 1:

Dc in the 3rd ch from the hook; dc in the next 6 ch, 3 dc in the next ch, dc in the next 6 ch. *Work 3 st dec in the next 3 ch, dc in the next 6 ch, 3 dc in the next ch, dc in the next 6 ch; Repeat from * across.

End by working 2 st dec in the last 2 ch.

Ch 2 and turn.

Note: The valleys may be shallower than the peaks at this point. Work another row or two to even them up.

Row 2:

Skip the first stitch; dc in the next 7 dc, 3 dc in the next dc, dc in the next 6 dc.

*Work 3 st dec in the next 3 stitches, dc in the next 6 dc, 3 dc in the next dc, dc in the next 6 dc; Repeat from * across.

End by working 2 st dec in the last 2 dc.

Ch 2 and turn.

Repeat Row 2 until the afghan reaches the desired length, changing colors as desired. If using multiple colors, consider changing colors every 2 rows.

Changing Colors:

At the end of the row, when working the 2 st dec, drop the current color of yarn when you have the last 3 loops left on your hook to finish the stitch.

Yarn over with the new color of yarn and pull through 3 loops on the hook. Ch 2 and turn.

Finishing:

Leave 5 or 6-inch ends of each color of yarn to weave in. Weave all yarn ends in securely.

Video Tutorial

For those who prefer to learn through videos, I have an excellent suggestion. I recommend this comprehensive tutorial, especially created for visual learners who enjoy video content more than following written instructions. The video was made by TL Yarn Crafts channel. You can find the video tutorial here.

Embark on a journey of creativity with the Easy Ripple Afghan pattern. This versatile and visually striking design allows you to infuse your unique style into every stitch. Whether you're creating a thoughtful gift or enhancing your home's decor, the ripple pattern is a timeless choice that promises warmth and charm.

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