

Wheat Stitch Baby Blanket



Materials:

Due to the bulky nature of this stitch any **fingering** weight yarn (or light sport weight) will work here, I especially love it in Cascade Heritage and Knitpicks Comfy Fingering Yarn (color shown, ivory). For fingering weight you will need approximately (1500-1600yds)

3.25mm Crochet Hook

Finished Size: Approximately 3.5 feet by 4 feet (including border)

KEY:

Yo: Yarn-over

Ch: Chain

Ch-sp: Chain Space

DC: Double Crochet

SC: Single Crochet

HDC: Half-Double Crochet

FPDC: Front-post Double Crochet

BPDC: Back-post Double Crochet

Special Stitches:

Bobble St: YO and insert hook in stitch indicated for bobble, YO pull up a loop (3 times), YO pull through 6 loops, 2 loops left on hook, YO pull through last 2 loops. 1 Bobble made.

For the pattern it wants you to ch between the bobbles so be sure to Ch 1 after pulling through those last 2 loops.

V-Stitch: [DC, Ch2, DC] all in same stitch

Note: I strongly suggest you work a swatch in this pattern (Ch 45) before beginning your project to ensure you are happy with your yarn+hook size+ tension. Also, when making your chain, remember that it's going to scrunch up a little bit as you create the first few rounds so don't use tight tension in this stitch. If you find your little "eggs" are becoming too loose/sloppy go down a hook size instead of tightening your tension. If your item is rolling or scrunching or otherwise not lying flat, then your tension is too tight or your hook:yarn ration is off. **I also suggest the liberal use of stitch markers, especially in the first and last stiches as it can get a bit tricky figuring out where those last stiches go without a handy marker to differentiate between the "top" of your hdc's and ch-1space.**

Directions

Ch 125 (or factor of 20 + 5 for the turning chain)

Row 1: DC in 5th ch from hook (1st 5ch, consider as 1st dc and 1ch sp), dc in next 2ch, * Ch2, skip 2ch, sc in next ch, ch2, skip 2ch, dc in next 2ch, V-Stitch in next ch, dc in next 2ch, * repeat from * to * until last 8 sts Ch2, skip 2ch, sc in next ch, ch2, skip 2ch, dc in next 2ch [DC, CH1, DC] all in last ch. Turn.

Photo of Foundation Row 1:



Row 2: Ch1, sc in the same st, sc in next 1ch space, ch2, fpdc in next 3dc, *ch2, skip 2ch space, skip sc, skip 2ch space, fpdc in next 3 dc, ch2, sc in 2ch space, ch2, fpdc in next 3dc,* (repeat from * to * to last 10 stitches) ch2, skip 2ch space, skip sc, skip 2ch space, fpdc in next 3dc, ch2, sc in 1ch sp ,sc in 1st dc of row 1. Turn.

Photo of Row 2:



Row 3: Ch3 (consider as 1st hdc and 1ch sp), bobble st in next sc, ch 1, *bpdc in 3fpdc, skip 2ch space, bpfc in next 3 fpdc, ch1,skip 2ch space, bobble st in next sc, ch2, bobble st in same sc, ch1* (repeat from * to * until last 12 stitches**), bpdc in next 3 fpdc, skip ch-2 sp, bpdc in next 3 fpdc, ch 1, skip ch-2 sp, bobble st in next sc, ch1, hdc in next sc. Turn.

** Remember: to count your ch-sp as stitches throughout this pattern**

Photo of Row 3 (which is working on the wrong side (WS) of the piece, in other words, what your swatch should look like BEFORE turning for row 4:



Photo of Row 3 from the RS (right side) of the piece, in other words, what your swatch should look like just before starting Row 4:



Row 4: Ch 3 (consider as 1st hdc and 1ch sp) bobble st in next 1ch space (to the RIGHT of the bobble from the previous row), *ch1, skip bobble and ch-1 sp, FPDC in next 6 BPDC, ch1, skip ch-1 sp and bobble, bobble st in ch-2 sp, ch2, bobble st in same 2ch sp,* (repeat from * to * until last 12 stitches), ch 1, skip bobble and ch-1 sp, FPDC in next 6 BPDC, ch 1, skip ch-1 sp and bobble, bobble st in next 1ch sp (to the LEFT of the bobble from previous row), ch1, hdc in last stitch. Turn.

Row 5: Ch3 (consider as 1st hdc and 1ch sp), bobble st in next 1ch sp (to the RIGHT of the bobble from the previous row), *ch1, skip bobble and ch-1 sp, BPDC in next 6 FPDC, ch1, skip ch-1 sp and bobble, bobble st in ch-2 sp, ch2, bobble st in same 2ch sp, * (repeat from * to * to last 12 stitches), ch1, skip bobble and ch-1 sp, BPDC in next 6 FPDC, ch1, skip ch-1 sp and last bobble from previous row, bobble st in next 1ch sp (to the LEFT of the bobble from the previous row), ch1, hdc in last st. Turn.

Row 6: Ch 3 (consider as 1st hdc and 1ch sp) bobble st in next 1ch space (to the RIGHT of the bobble from the previous row), *ch1, skip bobble and ch-1 sp, FPDC in next 6 BPDC, ch1, skip ch-1 sp and bobble, bobble st in ch-2 sp, ch2, bobble st in same 2ch sp,* (repeat from * to * until last 12 stitches), ch 1, skip bobble and ch-1 sp, FPDC in next 6 BPDC, ch 1, skip ch-1 sp and bobble, bobble st in next 1ch sp (to the LEFT of the bobble from previous row), ch1, hdc in last stitch. Turn.

Row 7: Ch 1, sc in the same st, ch2, skip 1ch sp, skip bobble st, skip 1ch sp, *BPDC in next 3 FPDC, ch2, BPDC in next 3 FPDC, ch2, skip 1 ch sp, skip bobble st, sc in next 2ch sp, ch2, skip bobble st, skip 1ch sp, * (repeat from * to * to last 12 sts), ch 2, BPDC in next 3 FPDC, ch2, BPDC in last 3 FPDC, ch2, skip 1ch sp, skip bobble st, skip 1ch sp, sc in last st. Turn.

Row 8: Ch3(consider as 1st hdc and 1ch sp), FPDC in next 3 BPDC, *ch2, sc in ch-2 sp, ch2, FPDC in next 3 BPDC, ch2, skip [ch -2 space, sc, ch-2 space] FPDC in next 3 BPDC* (repeat from * to * until you reach the last set of 3 BPDC), ch2, sc in ch-2 sp, ch 2, FPDC in last 3 BPDC, ch1, skip 2ch sp, hdc in next sc. Turn.

Row 9: Ch2, *BPDC in next 3 FPDC, ch1, skip ch-2 sp, bobble st in sc, ch2, bobble st in same sc, ch1, skip 2ch sp, BPDC in next 3 FPDC* (repeat from * to * until last 2 sts) skip 1ch sp, hdc in next st. Turn.

Row 10: Ch2, *FPDC in next 3 BPDC, ch1, skip 1ch sp and bobble from previous row, bobble st in ch-2 sp, ch2, bobble st in same ch-2 sp, ch1, skip bobble from previous row and ch-1 sp, FPDC in next 3 BPDC* (repeat from * to * until last st), hdc in last st. Turn.

Row 11: Ch2, *BPDC in next 3 FPDC, ch1, skip ch-2 sp and bobble from previous row, bobble st in ch-2 sp, ch2, bobble st in same ch-2 sp, ch1, skip bobble from previous row and ch-2 sp, BPDC in next 3 FPDC* (repeat from * to * until last 2 sts) skip 1ch sp, hdc in next st. Turn.

Row 12: Ch2, *FPDC in next 3 BPDC, ch1, skip 1ch sp and bobble from previous row, bobble st in ch-2 sp, ch2, bobble st in same ch-2 sp, ch1, skip bobble from previous row and ch-1 sp, FPDC in next 3 BPDC* (repeat from * to * until last st), hdc in last st. Turn.

Row 13: Ch3, BPDC in next 3 FPDC, *ch2, skip 1ch sp and bobble, sc in ch-2 sp, ch2, skip bobble and ch-1 sp, BPDC in next 3 FPDC, ch2, BPDC in next 3 FPDC,* (repeat from * to * until last 10 sts), ch2, skip 1ch sp and bobble, sc in ch-2 sp, ch2, skip bobble and ch-1 sp, BPDC in last 3 FPDC, ch1, hdc in last st. Turn.

Repeat Rows 2-13 until reached desired length. Fasten-off and weave in ends.