

# Granny's Baby Log Cabin Blanket



## Pattern Description:

**Skill Level:** Easy/Intermediate

This blanket combines the charm of the classic granny square with the modular style of a log cabin layout.

It's cozy, colorful, and ideal for a baby blanket or lap throw. A unique method of turning your work at the start of each round or row helps maintain consistent texture throughout the piece.

## Materials Needed:

- **Yarn:** About 1200 yards of worsted weight (4/medium) acrylic yarn (Example: Red Heart Soft Yarn – 5 skeins in Off White, Honey, Tangerine, Leaf, and Seafoam; 256 yds/5 oz per skein)
- **Hook:** Size H/8 (5.0 mm) crochet hook or size needed to match gauge
- **Notions:** Tapestry needle, stitch marker or scrap yarn
- **Finished Size:** Approx. 36 x 36 in (91 x 91 cm)

## Abbreviations (U.S. Terms):

- **ch** - chain
- **dc** - double crochet
- **sl st** - slip stitch
- **sp** - space

## Special Stitches:

- **2-dc cluster:** Two double crochets worked in the same stitch/space
- **3-dc cluster:** Three double crochets worked in the same stitch/space

## Pattern Notes:

- The project begins with a small granny square and expands by working log cabin-style blocks around it.
- Turn your work at the beginning of each round or row to preserve texture consistency.
- Chain-2 is typically used to begin rows; use a chain-3 if you prefer.

## Instructions for Making the Granny's Baby Log Cabin Blanket Pattern:

### Initial Granny Square



- **With Color A (e.g., Off White):**
- **Round 1:** Ch 4, join with a sl st to form a ring. Ch 3 (counts as dc), work 2 dc in ring, ch 2. (3 dc, ch 2) three more times. Join with sl st to top of ch-3. (4 clusters, 4 ch-2 sps) Mark this as the right side.
- **Round 2 (Turn):** Ch 3, work 2-dc cluster in next ch-2 sp, ch 2, 3-dc cluster in same sp, ch 1. In next ch-2 sp: 3-dc cluster, ch 2, 3-dc cluster, ch 1; repeat around. Join. (8 clusters, 4 ch-2 corners, 4 ch-1 sps)
- **Round 3 (Turn):** Ch 3, 2-dc cluster in next ch-1 sp, ch 1. In ch-2 sp: 3-dc, ch 2, 3-dc, ch 1; in next ch-1 sp: 3-dc, ch 1; repeat around. Join. (12 clusters, 4 ch-2 corners, 8 ch-1 sps)
- **Round 4 (Turn):** Ch 3, 2-dc cluster in next ch-1 sp, ch 1. (3-dc, ch 1) twice in ch-1 sps; in ch-2 sp: 3-dc, ch 2, 3-dc, ch 1; repeat around. Join and fasten off. (16 clusters, 4 ch-2 corners, 12 ch-1 sps)

### First Log Cabin Block



- **With Color B (e.g., Honey), on RS:**
- **Row 1:** Join in any ch-2 corner. Ch 2, dc in same sp, ch 1. (3-dc, ch 1) in each ch-1 sp across to next corner. End with 2-dc cluster in ch-2 sp. (2 clusters at ends, 3 center clusters, 4 ch-1 sps)
- **Row 2 (Turn):** Ch 3, 2-dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1. (3-dc, ch 1) twice, 2-dc in next ch-1, ch 1, dc in top of ch-2. (2 dc, 2 2-dc clusters, 2 3-dc clusters, 5 ch-1 sps)
- **Row 3 (Turn):** Ch 2, dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1. (3-dc, ch 1) three times, 2-dc in final ch-1 sp. (2 2-dc clusters, 3 3-dc clusters, 4 ch-1 sps)
- **Row 4 (Turn):** Ch 3, 2-dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1. (3-dc, ch 1) twice, 2-dc in final ch-1 sp, ch 1, dc in top of ch-2. Fasten off.

## Second Block





- Turn your work clockwise 90°. Join Color C (e.g., Tangerine) in top right ch-2 sp.
- **Row 1:** Ch 2, dc in same sp, ch 1. (3-dc, ch 1) across to final corner, 2-dc in last ch-2 sp.
- **Row 2-4:** Work rows as previously, increasing the number of 3-dc clusters. Always begin and end with 2-dc clusters, and turn after each row. Fasten off at end of Row 4.

### **Third and Subsequent Blocks**



- Continue in log cabin fashion:
  - Turn clockwise 90°.
  - Join new color in upper right ch-2 corner.
  - Repeat 4-row block pattern.
  - Continue until blanket is approx. 32 inches across, leaving space for edging.

## **Edging**



- **Optional Simple Edging:**
  - Join yarn in any corner.
  - Ch 3, 2-dc in corner, ch 1. (3-dc, ch 1) in each sp, with corners: (3-dc, ch 2, 3-dc, ch 1).
  - Repeat around.
  - Join with sl st to top of ch-3.
- **Optional Wider Edging:**
- Repeat 2-3 more rounds of granny-style edging, turning after each round for texture consistency.
  - **Each round:** Ch 3, 2-dc in first sp, ch 1. (3-dc, ch 1) in each sp; corners: (3-dc, ch 2, 3-dc, ch 1).
  - Join with sl st at end of each round.

## Finishing



Weave in all ends. Block if desired for best shape.