

# Free Baby James Blanket Pattern



## Pattern Description:

The Crochet Baby James Blanket is a striped baby blanket. It primarily utilizes the **Herringbone Half Double Crochet (HHDC)** stitch, which creates a desirable flat, no-hole fabric.

The pattern incorporates color changes every two rows and is finished with a distinct border.

## Materials Needed & Measurements:

- **Yarn:** Bernat Bundle Up (100% Polyester, 140 g/4.9 oz, 244 m/267 yds)
  - **Colors/Quantities:** 1 ball each of **Dove** and **Sky Blue**, 2 balls of **Marshmallow**.
- **Yarn Weight:** #4 worsted, medium.
- **Hook:** Size I, **5.5 mm crochet hook**.
- **Notions:** Scissors, tapestry needle.
- **Measurements:** Approximately **30 x 33 inches**.

## Stitches & Abbreviations Used:

- **Herringbone Half Double Crochet (HHDC):** YO, insert your hook, YO, pull up a loop and pull directly through first loop on hook, YO and pull through remaining two loops.
- **Single Crochet (SC):** Insert your hook, YO and pull up a loop, YO and pull through two loops on hook.

- **CH:** Chain.
- **SL ST:** Slip Stitch.
- **YO:** Yarn Over.

## Instructions for Making the Baby James Blanket Pattern:



Follow these steps for making the Baby James Blanket:

### Main Blanket Pattern:

To begin, you will start with the **Dove (gray)** yarn.

- **Starting Chain:** Chain 105, or chain any number to achieve your desired width.
- **Row 1 (Starting with Dove):**
  - Begin by working into the **third chain from the hook**.
  - Work **one HHDC into each chain across the row**.
  - At the end of the row, **CH 2 and turn**. You should have 103 stitches.
- **Row 2 (Continuing with Dove):**
  - Begin by working into the **first stitch**.
  - Work **one HHDC into each stitch across the row**.
  - At the end of the row, **CH 2 and turn**.
- **Repeat Rows with Dove:**
  - **Repeat the instructions for Row 2 for the next 2 rows**. This means you will have a total of **4 rows worked in Dove yarn**.
  - **At the end of the 4th row, on the very last step of the final stitch, change color to Sky Blue** by pulling the new color through to complete the stitch.

- CH 2 and turn.

### Color Change Sequence for Blanket Body:

- **Rows 5 and 6:** Work these two rows using **Sky Blue**, repeating the instructions for Row 2.
- **Rows 7 and 8:** Work these two rows using **Marshmallow**, repeating the instructions for Row 2.
- **Going forward, you will change color every two rows in this specific order: Dove, then Sky Blue, then Marshmallow.**
- **Tip:** To minimize the number of ends you need to weave in, **carry the yarn up the side of the blanket** when changing colors.

### Finishing the Main Blanket Body:

- Continue working the striped pattern until your blanket measures approximately **30 inches long**.
- For the final section of the blanket, **work the last 4 rows in Dove yarn**.
- Once the blanket reaches the desired length and the final Dove rows are complete, **tie off your yarn and weave in all remaining ends**.

### Border Pattern (Using Marshmallow Yarn):



After completing the main blanket, you will add a three-round border using Marshmallow yarn.

- **Round 1 (with Marshmallow):**
  - Work **one HHDC into each stitch** along the top and bottom edges.
  - At the end of each row (meaning at the corners of the blanket), work a **corner sequence of [HHDC, CH 1, HHDC]**.

- Work **one HHDC at the end of each row** along the side edges of the blanket.
- **Join with a SL ST to the first HHDC** you made in the round.
- **CH 1, and do not turn.**
- **Round 2:**
  - Work **one SC into each stitch** around the blanket.
  - At each corner, work a **corner sequence of [SC, CH 1, SC]**.
  - **Join to the first SC** of the round.
  - **CH 1, and do not turn.**
- **Round 3:**
  - Work **one HHDC into each stitch** around the blanket.
  - At each corner, work a **corner sequence of [HHDC, CH 1, HHDC]**.
  - **Join to the first HHDC** of the round.
  - **CH 1, do not turn.**

### **Repeating Border Rounds:**

- **Repeat Rounds 2 and 3** a total of two more times. This means your border will consist of Round 1 (HHDC), Round 2 (SC), Round 3 (HHDC), then repeat (SC, HHDC) twice more, for a total of six rounds in the border.
- **Finishing the Border:**
  - At the end of **Round 6, tie off your yarn and weave in all the remaining ends.**

This completes the Crochet Baby James Blanket pattern, allowing you to create a cozy and beautiful blanket.