

# Grandma Cuddles Baby Blanket Pattern



## Pattern Description:

The Crochet Grandma Cuddles Baby Blanket is **fun to make and easy to crochet**. It features a **fun texture on one side and a flat texture on the other**.

The border is finished with a **nice-looking Half Double Crochet (HDC) ribbed technique**, resulting in a **modern, giftable, cuddly blanket**.

## Materials Needed & Measurements:

- **Yarn:** **Bernat Bundle Up** yarn is highly recommended.
- **Yarn Weight:** Any **4-weight yarn** can be substituted for similar size results.
- **Hook:** A **5 mm hook** is required.
- **Notions:** You will need **scissors, a tapestry needle, and a stitch marker**.
- **Measurements:** The finished blanket measures **34 x 34 inches**.
  - **Gauge:** The gauge taken from the blanket is **4 inches = 10 stitches (sts) and 10 rows**.

## Stitches & Abbreviations Used:

- **SC:** Single Crochet

- **HDC:** Half Double Crochet
- **TC:** Treble Crochet
- **CH:** Chain
- **SL ST:** Slip Stitch

## Instructions for Making the Grandma Cuddles Baby Blanket Pattern:

### Main Blanket Pattern Instructions

The body of the blanket is created by repeating a sequence of rows to build its unique texture.

- **Starting Chain:** Begin by chaining **112 stitches**. It's noted that any even number can be chained if you wish to adjust the size of the blanket.
- **Row 1:** In the second chain from the hook, work 1 SC. Then, TC into the next chain, followed by SC into the next chain. **Repeat from \* across the row**, ensuring your last stitch is an SC. After completing the row, **CH 1 and turn**. This row will have 111 stitches.
- **Row 2:** Work **SC into each stitch across the row**. Then, **CH 1 and turn**. This row will also have 111 stitches.
- **Row 3:** Work **SC into each of the first 2 stitches**. Then, TC into the next stitch, followed by SC into the next stitch. **Repeat from \* across the row until 2 stitches remain**. Work **1 SC into each of the last 2 stitches**. Finally, **CH 1 and turn**.
  - **Tip:** A helpful tip for Row 3 is to **mark the first TC of Row 3 with a stitch marker**. As the blanket grows, you should **move the stitch marker up to the next TC on the row where you start with 2 SC**. This serves as a reminder of which row begins with 2 SC.
- **Row 4:** Repeat the instructions for Row 2.
- **Row 5:** Work **SC into the first stitch of the row**. Then, TC into the next stitch, followed by SC into the next stitch. **Repeat from \* across the row**. Finally, **CH 1 and turn**.
- **Row 6:** Repeat the instructions for Row 2.
- **Continuing the Pattern:** Continue by **repeating rows 3 through 6** until the blanket measures square. The pattern specifies to **end on a Row 2 instruction** (which means ending on a row of SC).

### Blanket Border Instructions

Once the main blanket body is complete, the border adds a refined finish.

- **First Round (SC Border):** After finishing the last row of SC, **do not turn**.
  - Work **2 more SC into the last stitch**.
  - Work **1 SC per the end of each row down the first side of the blanket**.
  - Work **3 SC into the corner**.
  - Work **1 SC into each stitch on the bottom of the blanket**.
  - Work **3 SC into the next corner**.
  - Work **1 SC per the end of each row on the final side**.
  - Finish this round by working **2 SC into the last corner**, then **SL ST to the first stitch**.
- **HDC Ribbed Border:**
  - After the first round of SC, **do not turn**.
  - **Chain 8**.
  - Work **1 HDC into each of the next 7 chains**.
  - Then, **SL ST into the next 2 stitches on the edge of the blanket**.
  - **Turn the blanket edge away from you**.
  - Work **1 back loop HDC into each of the 7 HDC**.
  - **Chain 1 and turn**.
  - Work **1 HDC into each back loop of the next 7 HDC**.
  - **Repeat from \* until you reach a corner**.
- **Rounding the Corners (HDC Ribbed Border):**
  - To round a corner, first **SL ST into the next stitch only once**.
  - Then, **work the ribbing**.
  - Next, **SL ST once into the middle stitch**.
  - **Work the ribbing again**.
  - **SL ST into the same middle stitch again**.
  - **Work the ribbing**.

- **SL ST a final time into the middle stitch.**
- **Work the ribbing, then SL ST 1 time into the next stitch.**
- **Work the ribbing, then resume SL ST into each of the next 2 stitches.**
- **Completing the Ribbed Border:** Continue this ribbing technique around the entire edge of the blanket. When you return to the starting corner, **finish working around that corner.**

### **Finishing the Blanket**

After the border is complete, the final steps ensure a neat and tidy finish.

- **Tie Off and Sew:** Once you've worked around the entire border and returned to the starting corner, **tie off** your yarn. Then, **sew the bottom edge of the starting chain to the last row of ribbing** to secure it.

**Weave in Ends:** Finally, **tie off and weave in all remaining ends** for a clean appearance.