

# Griddle Stitch Multi-Color Gingham Blanket Free Pattern



## Pattern Description:

This pattern creates a multi-color gingham blanket using the griddle stitch, alternating different yarn colors with a grey base.

The design involves carrying yarn and changing colors every ten stitches for a checkerboard effect. It's a versatile design that can incorporate various colors.

## Materials Needed & Measurements:

- **Yarn:** Patons Canadiana Yarn (100% acrylic)
  - 3 skeins Pale Grey Mix
  - 2 skeins Winter White
  - 1 skein each of Fool's Gold, Teal Heather, and Medium Teal
- **Yarn Weight:** 4 weight
- **Hook:** Size I 5.5 mm hook (or size needed for personal tension)
- **Notions:** Tapestry needle, scissors
- **Measurements:**
  - **Finished Blanket Size:** Approximately 32 x 32 inches

- **Gauge:** 3 inches = 10 stitches and 8 rows (taken from blanket)

#### Stitches & Abbreviations Used:

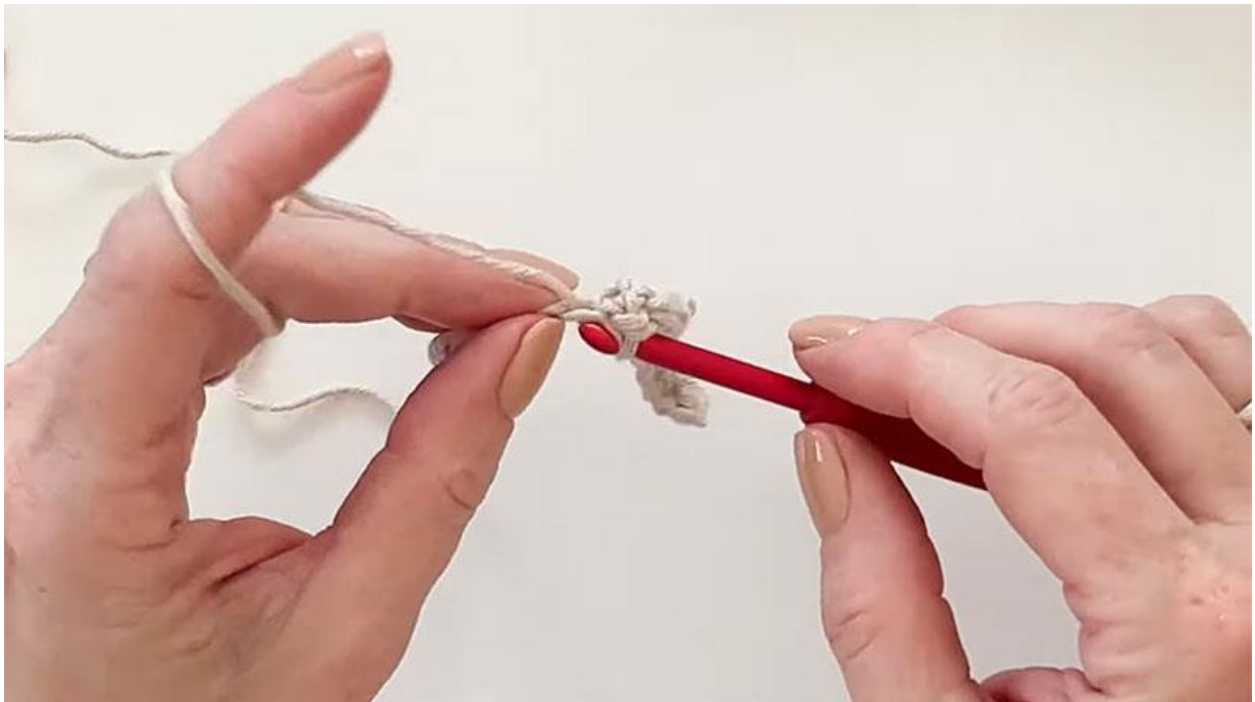
- **SC:** Single Crochet
- **DC:** Double Crochet
- **HDC:** Half Double Crochet
- **Griddle Stitch:** An alternating pattern of SC and DC
- **CH:** Chain
- **YO:** Yarn Over
- **SL ST:** Slip Stitch

#### Instructions for Making the Griddle Stitch Multi-Color Gingham Blanket Pattern:

##### Starting Chain

Begin with **Winter White** yarn. Chain **111 stitches**. The blanket's pattern repeat is **(any odd number × 10) + 1**, so you can easily adjust the size if desired.

##### Row 1 - Establishing the Gingham Pattern



- In the **second chain** from the hook, make **1 SC**.
- In the **next stitch**, make **1 DC**.

- Continue alternating **SC, DC** across the next **8 stitches**.

**First Color Change:** On the **tenth stitch** (which will be a DC), before completing the stitch, **pull through Pale Grey Mix**.

- Do **not cut** the Winter White yarn, carry it by crocheting over it as you work the next section.

Work the next **10 stitches** in the alternating SC/DC pattern with Pale Grey Mix. On the tenth DC of this block, drop the grey yarn and **pull Winter White through** to change back.

**Repeat** this process, changing colors every 10 stitches, across the entire row. Always change colors on a DC.

At the end of the row:

- **Chain 1** and **turn** your work.
- Bring the grey yarn around the blanket's edge to prepare for the next row. The last block in Row 1 should be in Winter White.

#### **Rows 2-8 - Continuing the Pattern**



- Start with **1 SC** into the first stitch (worked into the DC of the previous row).
- Work **1 DC** into the next stitch.
- Continue the SC/DC alternation for 8 stitches, then change colors as in Row 1.
- Keep yarn tension consistent by giving the carried yarn a **gentle tug** before using it.

This creates the first set of color blocks, with Winter White alternating with Pale Grey Mix.

### Changing Block Colors

When you complete **8 rows** of the same color combination:

- Cut the **Winter White yarn**, leaving a **9-inch tail** to weave in later.
- Pull the grey yarn through, **CH 1**, and turn.
- Continue the SC/DC pattern with grey into the top of the white stitches.
- On the **tenth stitch**, join your next accent color (Medium Teal, Fool's Gold, or Teal Heather).
- Crochet over the grey yarn, pulling it up after every 10 stitches.

### Color Progression

Follow this sequence:

- **Rows 1-8:** Winter White + Grey
- **Rows 9-16:** Accent Color (Medium Teal) + Grey
- **Rows 17-24:** Winter White + Grey
- **Rows 25-32:** Accent Color (Fool's Gold) + Grey
- **Rows 33-40:** Winter White + Grey
- **Rows 41-48:** Accent Color (Teal Heather) + Grey
- Continue this alternating pattern until you have **11 blocks high** (88 rows total).

Accent colors are repeated in the order: **Medium Teal → Fool's Gold → Teal Heather → Medium Teal → Fool's Gold**.

After Row 88, **tie off** and weave in all yarn ends.

### Adding the Border

The border is worked with **Teal Heather** yarn.

- **Round 1:**
  - Attach yarn anywhere on the side and **CH 1**.
  - Work **HDC** into the same space.
  - Along the sides: Work **2 HDC at the end of a row**, skip the next row, then **2 HDC** into the following row end.
  - At each corner: Work **3 HDC** into the corner stitch.

- Along the top and bottom: Work **HDC** into each stitch.
- Join with **SL ST** to the first HDC, CH 1, and turn.
- **Round 2:**
  - HDC into each stitch from the previous round.
  - Work **3 HDC into each corner's center stitch**.
  - Join with SL ST, CH 1, and turn.
- **Round 3:**
  - SC into each stitch from Round 2.
  - Work **3 SC into each corner's center stitch**.
  - Join with SL ST.

Finally, **tie off** and weave in all remaining ends.