

Crystal Palace Yarns

free knit baby blanket pattern

Cotton Chenille Baby Blanket

Knit with Crystal Palace [Cotton Chenille](#), 100% cotton held double.

Design Note: There are more than 70 colors of Cotton Chenille available - this baby blanket is made from solid and 2 printed colors. An infinite number of color combinations are possible! I made this for a baby boy.

Size: 27" wide x 42" long.

Materials:

12 - 50 gr. skeins of Cotton Chenille held double.

For the boy's blanket in the photo I used:

1 each: 9008, 1404, 4519, 9578

2 each: 2615, 5638, 6130, 412

[**Note:** Hold back 1 skein of each color when you have 2 balls of the color to spread through the second half of the blanket to help distribute colors.]

Size 11 - 36" circular [CPY Bamboo needles](#) or 40" DAISY Needles

- [See here for Cotton Chenille Solid Colors](#)
- [See here for Cotton Chenille Print & Newest Solid Colors.](#)

Gauge: 10 sts/4 inches (10 com) in garter stitch with Cotton Chenille doubled. Gauge is not crucial.

Abbreviations: CO=Cast On, BO=Bind Off, K=knit, K2tog = knit two sts together, rem=remaining, rep=repeat, st(s)=stitch(es), YO=yarn over

You knit from one corner diagonally to make this baby blanket. First you inc on one edge, then you inc on one edge and dec on the other and finally you dec on one edge. The entire blanket is worked in garter st (K all rows).

Note on Color Changes: All yarn is doubled and every few rows one color is dropped and a new color added. Changing only one color at a time allows the colors to flow into each other and avoid hard lines of stripes. Thus if you a color sequence could be: AB pair, then BC pair, then CD pair, then AD and so on so that each color is paired with at least two colors in sequence before being dropped. See the detail photo at lower right.



Below is a close-up of the blanket.



When changing colors be sure to carry the new yarn, plus 2 previous yarns together for at least 3-4 stitches to lock the yarns together.

Instructions

Increase Section:

CO 4 sts

Row 1: K2, YO, K to end of row

Row 2: Rep Row 1 until 105 sts on needle.

Middle Section:

Place marker or contrasting color of yarn loop on furthest side edge, this will be the decrease edge.

At the beg of every row without marker, cont to increase as in first section of blanket.

At the beg of every row with marker, decrease as described just below in the "Decrease Section".

[You will continue to have 105 sts on your needle throughout this middle section.]

When the long side of the blanket measures ____ inches, begin the Dec Section below where you will dec at the beg of every row.

Decrease Section:

Row 1: K1, K2tog, YO, K2tog & K to end of row.

Row 2: Rep Row 1 until 4 sts rem and BO firmly

Trim loose ends from color changes.

Designed and Knit by Susan Druding for her first grandson, due in March 2006.

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