



## Granny Ripple Blanket

A traditional crochet pattern adapted by Staci Perry, [www.verypink.com](http://www.verypink.com)



The Granny Ripple design is a traditional crochet pattern that I have adapted to be especially clear to knitters who want to take a "stab" at crochet.

The instructions below give specific details for the yarn amounts, yarn weight, hook size, and measurements for my finished sample. You can use any yarn and hook that you like, as long as you are happy with the fabric you're creating!

## Getting Started.

**Size:** Baby blanket/throw size, 35" x 49" (see "Pattern Notes" below for guidelines for different sizes)

**Hook:** Size H (5mm)

**Yarn:** Knit Picks Comfy Worsted in eight colors, or another worsted-weight washable yarn. I used the following colors of Knit Picks Comfy Worsted, 2 skeins each color (16 skeins total, 50 grams each):

- Creme Brulee
- Honeydew
- Sea Foam
- Flamingo
- Zinnia
- Marina
- Lilac
- Lady Slipper

**Additional Materials:** tapestry needle for weaving in ends

**Gauge:** One ripple repeat = 4". Below is the pattern for checking gauge:

- Chain 24
- **Foundation Row:**
- 3 dc into 6th chain from hook
- (sk 2, 3 dc into next stitch) twice
- sk 5 stitches
- (3 dc into next stitch, sk 2) twice
- (3 dc, chain 3, 3 dc) into next stitch
- **Single Row Repeat:**
- 3 dc in first chain 3 gap
- (3 dc between next two dc clusters) twice
- skip space between next two dc clusters (bottom of ripple)
- (3 dc between next two dc clusters) twice
- (3 dc, chain 3, 3 dc) in next chain 3 gap (top of ripple, at the end of the row, you will work this into the chain 5 gap)
- repeat the "Single Row Repeat" to about 4" to check gauge.

**Abbreviations:**

dc - double crochet

sc - single crochet

**Pattern notes:** This pattern can be worked using any yarn, any hook size, to any size finished blanket. To figure out the yarn amounts necessary for different gauges and blanket sizes, you can work up a swatch using the yarn and hook you'd like to use, then measure that swatch, and weigh it on a kitchen scale. The measurement will give you the width for one ripple. The weight will tell you the amount of yarn you used. You can take that information and multiply it by the width and length you'd like your blanket to be. Additionally, you can visit [www.ravelry.com](http://www.ravelry.com), and search for "granny ripple" in the crochet patterns. There are hundreds of examples there of finished blankets, and you can read the notes of other crocheters to see the details of their projects. When you find a finished blanket using the same yarn weight and finished size you'd like to make, you can use their notes as a guideline for yarn amounts and hook size.

# Directions.

**Video Part 1 - introduction:**

<http://youtu.be/2RZZofKmZVg>

## FOUNDATION ROW AND SINGLE ROW REPEAT

**Video Part 2 - working the foundation row and single row repeat:**

<http://youtu.be/2RZZofKmZVg?t=2m6s>

Chain a multiple of 18, plus 6. In my example, I chained 168, which gave me 9 ripples.

**Foundation Row:**

3 dc into 6th chain from hook

\*(skip 2, 3 dc into next stitch) twice

skip 5 stitches

(3 dc into next stitch, skip 2) twice

(3 dc, chain 3, 3 dc) into next stitch\*

Repeat between \*s to end of chain, chain 5, turn work.

### **Single Row Repeat:**

3 dc in first chain 3 gap

\*(3 dc between next two dc clusters) twice

skip space between next two dc clusters (bottom of ripple)

(3 dc between next two dc clusters) twice

(3 dc, chain 3, 3 dc) in next chain 3 gap\* (top of ripple. At the end of the row, you will work this into the chain 5 gap.)

Repeat between \*s to end of row, chain 5, turn work

Continue working the Single Row Repeat to desired length, changing colors every two rows. After working the last two rows, do not break yarn.

## **CHANGING COLORS**

**Video Part 3 - changing colors:**

<http://youtu.be/2RZZofKmZVg?t=12m43s>

## **FINISHING:**

**Video Part 4 - trick for finishing the two ends of the blanket:**

<http://youtu.be/2RZZofKmZVg?t=16m45s>

After completing the last row, do not break the yarn. Turn the work, and work across one more time to "open up" the stitches (please notice that these are single crochet stitches, not double crochet):

3 sc in 5 chain loop

\*(3 sc in next gap) twice

skip next gap

(3 sc in next gap) twice

6 sc in next gap (no chaining between!)\*

Repeat between the \*s to the last ripple, then:

(3 sc in next gap) twice

skip next gap

(3 sc in next gap) twice

6 sc in last 5 chain loop, break yarn.

Once you've finished that end of the blanket, go back to the foundation row at the other end of the blanket.

Reattach the same color of yarn that you used for the foundation row, and work that end of the blanket the same way, to "open up" those stitches.

**Video Part 5 - weaving in ends:**

<http://youtu.be/2RZZofKmZVg?t=19m57s>

## **WASHING/BLOCKING:**

Follow the washing and drying directions for your yarn, printed on the ball band. For the yarn I used (Knit Picks Comfy Worsted), I machine washed and then dried the blanket in the dryer until it was about half dry. Because I wanted the blanket to look especially good in the photos (the same way you will want it to look if you're giving it as a gift), I set it out on my bed and blocking board, and pinned out the points at the ripple ends. Then I allowed it to air dry the rest of the way, under the ceiling fan.

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