Christening Afghan Free Crochet Pattern



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MATERIALS: 4 skeins Bernat Softee Brand Baby yarn in white, needle and matching thread, 39" X 44 1\2" piece of white material, pins, one 18' reel 3\8" white stain ribbon, needle to take ribbon and size G hook or hook to obtain gauge.

 $\underline{GAUGE:} Sq = 3 1 \backslash 2"$

FINISHED SIZE: 40" X 46"

BODY:

<u>ROW 1:</u> With white yarn and G hook ch-167, dc 3rd ch from hook, (ch-5, sk 3 ch, dc next ch) twice, * sk 1 ch, 5 trc next ch, sk 1 ch, dc next ch, (ch-5, sk 3 ch, dc next ch) 3 times, rep from * 9 times, sk 1 ch, 5 trc next ch, sk 1 ch, dc next ch, (ch-5, sk 3 ch, dc next ch) twice, turn.

<u>ROW 2:</u> * (ch-5, dc next arch) twice, 5 trc next dc, dc 3rd trc of next 5 trc group, 5 trc next dc, dc next arch, rep from * 10 times ending with ch-5, dc next arch, ch-2, trc last dc, turn.

<u>ROW 3:</u> Ch-2, dc 1st st, sk ch-2, * ch-5, dc next arch, 5 trc next dc, dc 3rd trc of next 5 trc group, ch-5, dc 3rd trc of next 5 trc group, 5 trc next dc, dc next arch, rep from * 10 times, ch-5, dc last arch, turn.

<u>ROW 4:</u> Ch-4 (1st trc), 2 trc same st as ch-4, * dc next arch, 5 trc next dc, dc 3rd trc of next 5 trc group, ch-5, dc next arch, ch-5, dc 3rd trc of next 5 trc group, 5 trc next dc, rep from * 10 times, dc next arch, 3 trc last dc, turn.

<u>ROW 5:</u> Ch-2, dc same st as ch-2, * 5 trc next dc, dc 3rd trc of next 5 trc group, (ch-5, dc next arch) twice, ch-5, dc 3rd trc on next 5 trc group, rep from * 10 times, 5 trc next dc, dc top ch-4 of previous row, turn.

<u>ROW 6:</u> Ch-4 (1st trc), 2 trc same st as ch-4, * dc 3rd trc of next 5 trc group, 5 trc next dc, dc next arch, (ch-5, dc next arch) twice, 5 trc next dc, rep from * 10 times, dc 3rd trc of next 5 trc group, 3 trc last dc, turn.

<u>ROW 7:</u> Ch-2, dc same st, * ch-5, dc 3rd trc of next 5 trc group, 5 trc next dc, dc next arch, ch-5, dc next arch, 5 trc next dc, dc 3rd trc of next 5 trc group, rep from * 10 times, ch-5, dc top ch-4 previous row, turn.

<u>ROW 8:</u> * Ch-5, dc next arch, ch-5, dc 3rd trc on next 5 trc group, 5 trc next dc, dc next arch, 5 trc next dc, dc 3rd trc next 5 trc group, rep from * 10 times, ch-5, dc next arch, ch-2, trc last dc, turn.

<u>ROW 9:</u> Ch-2, dc same st, sk ch-2, ch-5, dc next arch, ch-5, dc 3rd trc on next 5 trc group, * 5 trc next dc, dc 3rd trc on next 5 trc group, (ch-5, dc next arch) twice, ch-5, dc 3rd trc on next 5 trc group, rep from * 9 times, 5 trc next dc, dc 3rd trc on next 5 trc group, (ch-5, dc next arch) twice, turn.

Rep rows 2-9 for a total of 10 times. Do not fasten off.

EDGING:

<u>RND 1:</u> Turn so you are now working the side of the afghan, Ch-1, sc evenly around afghan, sl st top beg sc, ch-1, turn

RND 2: Ch-1, * hdc next st, sk 2 sts, 5 trc next st, sk 2 sts, rep from * around, sl st top beg hdc, turn

<u>RND 3:</u> Ch-3, 4 trc same st as ch-3, * hdc 3rd trc of next 5 trc group, 5 trc next hdc, rep from * around to last 5 trc group, hdc 3rd trc of that group, sl st top beg ch-3, turn.

<u>RND 4:</u> Ch-1, sc same st as ch-1, * ch-3, sc next st, ch-4, sc next st, rep from * around ending with ch-4, sl st top beg sc, fasten off.

FINISHING:

Fold under 1\4" hem on all four sides of lining material. With needle and matching thread, sew wrong side of lining to wrong side of afghan. Cut the 3\8" ribbon into 12" lengths. Thread onto needle, into the center of one sq, pull ribbon through from back of material to front and tie into a bow. Scatter bows randomly, across afghan.

Abbreviations Used In This Pattern

Ch = Chain
St = Stitch
Sl St = Slip Stitch
Sc = Single Crochet
Hdc = Half Double Crochet
Dc = Double Crochet
Trc = Treble Crochet
Rnd = Round
Beg = Beginning
Rep = Repeat
Bet = Between
Sk = Skip
Ea = Each

Tog = Together

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