

Whale Blanket

Hook size: 4mm hook.

Yarn: Stylecraft Special DK in White (2balls) , Cloud Blue (1 ball), Aster (1 ball), Lapis (50g), Royal (46g) and French Navy (42g).

This pattern is written in US terms

US Terminology

SC – single crochet

DC – double crochet

SLST – slip stitch

MR – magic ring

CH – chain

ST – stitch

FPDC – front post double crochet

SC2TOG – Single crochet decrease

HDC2TOG – Half double crochet decrease

DC2TOG – double crochet decrease

() – indicate all stitches to be made in one stitch.

UK Terminology

DC

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FPTR

DC2TOG

HTR2TOG

TR2TOG



SC2TOG - Insert hook in next ST, yarn over (YO) and pull up loop (2 loops on hook). Insert hook in next ST, YO, pull up loop (3 loops on hook), YO and pull through all 3 loops.

HDC2TOG – Yarn over (YO), insert hook in next ST, pull up a loop (3 loops on hook). YO, insert hook into next ST, pull up a loop. (5 loops on hook). YO and pull through all 5 loops.

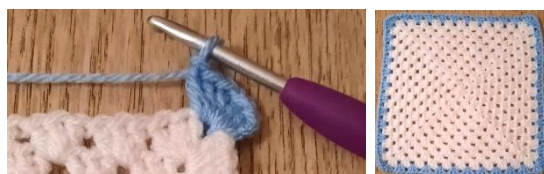
DC2TOG – YO, insert hook in next ST, pull up a loop. (3 loops). YO and pull through 2 loops. YO, insert hook into next ST, pull up a loop. (four loops on hook). YO, pull through two loops. (three loops on hook). YO, pull through remaining three loops

Granny Square – Use WHITE

1. Make a MR, CH3- (*Counts as 1st DC throughout pattern*), then in ring make the following: 2DC, CH1. Then (3DC, CH1) 3 times and SLST in 3rd ST of beginning CH3 to join. (4 clusters of 3DC).
2. (CH3, 2DC). In the next corner space make * (3DC, CH1, 3DC). Repeat from * for the 2 remaining CH2 corner spaces. Finish with 3DC, CH1 and SLST in the 3rd ST of the beginning CH3 to join. (8 clusters of 3DC).
3. **to 11.** (CH3, 2DC) in the corner space. * 3DC in between 3DC clusters from previous row. Make (3DC, CH1, 3DC) in corner spaces. Repeat from * around, finishing with 3DC, CH1 and SLST in the top of the beginning CH3. Fasten off yarn. (Row 11 will have 33DC on each side with CH1 in the corners).



12. Join **CLOUD BLUE** in any corner space – (CH3, 2DC, CH1, 3DC). Make (3DC) in between each 3DC cluster from the previous row around with (3DC, CH1, 3DC) in each corner space. SLST in the top of the beginning CH3 to join. Fasten off yarn. (Each side has 36DC with CH1 in each corner space).



13. Join **ASTER** in any corner space - (CH4 – *counts as DC and CH1 throughout pattern*, 2DC). Make 1DC in each ST around with (2DC, CH1, 2DC) in each corner space. Finish with 1DC in the beginning corner and SLST in the 3rd CH of the beginning CH4. Fasten off yarn. (Each side has 40DC with CH1 in each corner).



14. Join **LAPIS** in any corner space. (See photo 3). (CH4, 2DC). * In the following ST FPDC , followed by DC in the next ST. Repeat * this pattern around with (2DC, CH1, 2DC) in the corner spaces. Finish with 1DC in the beginning corner and SLST in the 3rd CH of the beginning CH4. Fasten off yarn. (Each side has 44DC with CH1 in each corner).



15. Join **ROYAL** in any corner space and **Repeat ROW 14**. (Each side has 48DC with CH1 in each corner).
16. Join **FRENCH NAVY** in any corner space and **Repeat ROW 14**. (Each side has 52DC with CH1 in each corner).



17. Join **WHITE** in any corner space. (CH4, 2DC) in the corner space. ** Skip the 1st 3 stitches and make * (3DC) in the next ST. Skip the next 2 stitches. Repeat from * across until 3 stitches remain . Skip the last 3 stitches and make (2DC, CH1, 2DC) in the corner space. Repeat from ** around, finishing in the beginning corner with 1DC and SLST in the 3rd CH of the beginning CH4. (Each side will have 16 clusters of 3DC with 2DC in each corner: 52DC with CH1 in the corners).

18. – 22. SLST twice into the CH1 space. ** (CH4, 2DC) in the corner space. Make * 3DC in between 3DC clusters from previous row with (2DC, CH1, 2DC) in the corner spaces. Repeat from * around, finishing in the beginning corner space with 1DC and SLST in the 3rd CH of the beginning CH4. Fasten off yarn. (Row 22 each side will have 67DC on each side with CH1 in the corners).

23. Join **CLOUD BLUE** in any corner space and repeat **ROW 18 from ****. (Each side has 70DC with CH1 in each corner).

24. SLST twice into the CH1 corner space. (CH4, 2DC). Make 1DC in each ST around with (2DC, CH1, 2DC) in each corner space. Finish with 1DC in the beginning corner and SLST in the 3rd CH of the beginning CH4. Fasten off yarn. (Each side has 74DC with CH1 in each corner).

25. Join **ASTER** in any corner space. (CH4, 2DC). * In the following ST make a FPDC, followed by DC in the next ST . Repeat this * pattern around with (2DC, CH1, 2DC) in each corner space (*Will you be making a FPDC around the previous rounds FPDC and a DC around the previous rounds DC*). Finish with 1DC in the beginning corner space and SLST in the 3rd CH of the beginning CH4. (Each side has 78DC with CH2 in each corner).

26. SLST twice into the corner space and **Repeat ROW 25**. Fasten off yarn. (Each side has 82DC with CH1 in each corner).

27. – 28. Join **LAPIS** in any corner space and **Repeat ROWS 25 -26**. Fasten off yarn. (Each side has 90DC with CH1 in each corner).

29. – 30. Join **ROYAL** in any corner space and **Repeat ROWS 25 -26**. Fasten off yarn . (Each side has 98DC with CH1 in each corner).

31. – 32. Join **FRENCH NAVY** in any corner space and **Repeat ROWS 25- 26**. Fasten off yarn. (Each side has 106DC with CH1 in each corner).

33. Join **WHITE** in any corner space. (CH4, 2DC) in the corner space. ** Skip the 1st 3 stitches and make * (3DC) in the next ST. Skip the next 2 stitches. Repeat from * across until 3 stitches remain . Skip the last 3 stitches and make (2DC, CH1, 2DC) in the corner space. Repeat from ** around, finishing in the beginning corner with 1DC and SLST in the 3rd CH of the beginning CH4. (Each side will have 34 clusters of 3DC with 2DC in each corner: 106DC with CH1 in each corner).



34. – 39. SLST twice into the corner CH1 space. ** Make (CH4, 2DC) in the corner space. * 3DC in between each of the 3DC clusters from previous row. Make (2DC, CH1, 2DC) in the corner spaces. Repeat from * around, finishing in the beginning corner with 1DC and SLST in the 3rd CH of the beginning CH4. Fasten off yarn. (Row 39 - Each side will have 124DC with CH1 in each corner).
40. Join **CLOUD BLUE** in any corner space *and repeat ROW 34 from *** (Each side has 127DC with CH1 in each corner).
41. Join **ASTER** in any corner space. (CH4, 2DC). Make 1DC in each ST around with (2DC, CH1, 2DC) in each corner space. Finish with 1DC in the beginning corner and SLST in the 3rd CH of the beginning CH4. Fasten off yarn. (Each side has 131DC with CH1 in each corner).
43. Join **LAPIS** in any corner space. (CH4, 2DC). In the following ST * FPDC, followed by DC in the next ST. ** Repeat this pattern * across with FPDC in the last ST. Make (2DC, CH1, 2DC) in the corner space. Repeat from ** around finishing with 1DC in the beginning corner and SLST in the 3rd CH of the beginning CH4. Fasten off yarn. (Each side has 135DC with CH1 in each corner).
44. Join **ROYAL** in any corner space and *Repeat ROW 43.* (Each side has 139DC with CH1 in each corner).
45. Join **FRENCH NAVY** in any corner space and *Repeat ROW 43.* (Each side has 143DC with CH1 in each corner).
46. Join **WHITE** in any corner space – (CH3, DC, CH1, 2DC). * Skip 2 stitches and make (3DC) in the next ST. Repeat from * around with (2DC, CH1, 2DC) in each corner space. SLST in the top of the beginning CH3 to join. Fasten off yarn. (Each side has 145DC with CH2 in each corner space).
47. Join **CLOUD BLUE** in any corner CH1 space. Make (CH4, 2DC) in the corner space. * 3DC in between each of the 3DC clusters from previous row. Make (2DC, CH1, 2DC) in the corner spaces. Repeat from * around, finishing with 1DC in the beginning CH space and SLST in the 3rd CH of the beginning CH4. Fasten off yarn. (Each side will have 148DC with CH1 in the corners).
48. **Wave Border** – Join **ASTER** in any corner space. (2SC). Make 1SC in the next 2 stitches. CH4. **TURN WORK** -*wrong side is facing* and SLST in the 1st SC made. **TURN WORK** – *right side is facing* . CH1 and make 7DC around the CH4. * SC in the next 4 stitches. CH4. **TURN WORK** and insert hook under the CH4 loop created in the previous wave. SLST. **TURN WORK**. CH1. Make 7DC around the CH4. Repeat from * around making 2SC in each of the corner spaces. SLST in the 1st SC made to join. Fasten off yarn.
49. Sew in ends and block blanket - Spray blanket with water and pin out before sewing applique on.



Whale Applique

1. Using **CLOUD BLUE** and 4mm hook. In a MR make 10HDC. SLST in 1st HDC made to join. (10 stitches).
2. CH2 – (*Do this for each of the following rounds unless stated otherwise. CH2 does not count as a ST throughout*). Make (2HDC) in each ST around. SLST in the 1st HDC made to join. (20 stitches).
3. * (2HDC), HDC. Repeat from * around. SLST in 1st DC made to join. (30 stitches).
4. * (2HDC), 1HDC in the next 2 stitches. Repeat from * around. SLST in 1st HDC made to join. (40 stitches).
5. * (2HDC), 1HDC in the next 3 stitches. Repeat from * around. SLST in 1st HDC made to join. (50 stitches).
6. * (2HDC), 1HDC in the next 4 stitches. Repeat from * around. SLST in 1st HDC made to join. (60 stitches).
7. * (2HDC), 1HDC in the next 5 stitches. Repeat from * around. SLST in 1st HDC made to join. (70 stitches).
8. **Whale Tail** . DC2TOG, 1DC in the next 10 stitches. DC2TOG. (**Leave the rest of the stitches unworked**). (12 stitches).



The following will be worked back and forth in rows across the 12 stitches. (DO NOT CH2 for the following rows – just turn and work into the same ST).

9. **TURN**. Skip the 1st ST. Make 1DC in the next 9 stitches. DC2TOG. (10 stitches).
10. Make 1HDC in each ST across with a SC in the last ST. (10 stitches).
11. Make 1SC in each ST across with (SC2TOG) in the last 2 stitches. (9 stitches).



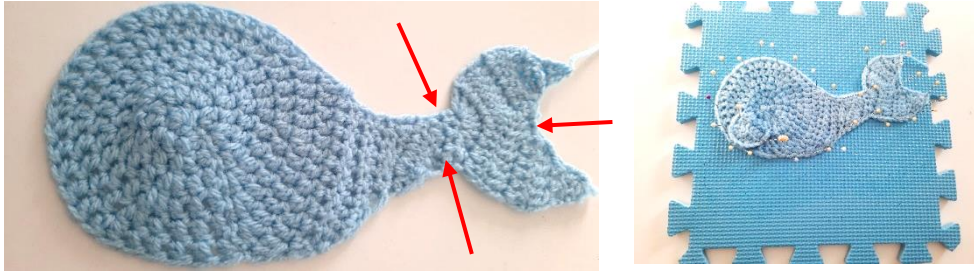
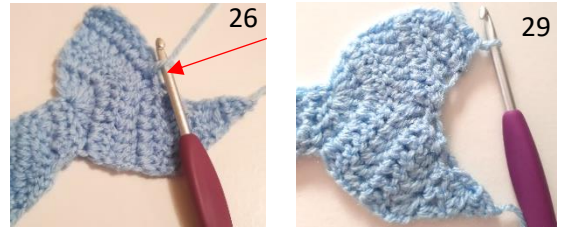
12. Skip the 1st SLST, SLST in the next ST, SC, HDC in the next 5 stitches, (HDC, SC). (8 stitches).
13. (SC, HDC), HDC in the next 3 stitches. SC, SLST in the next 2 stitches. *Leave the remaining stitches unworked*. (6 stitches).
14. Skip the first 2 SLST's. Make 1SC in the next 3 stitches, (2SC),(SC, HDC), DC. (8 stitches).
15. (HDC, DC). Make 1DC in the next 5 stitches. SC, SLST. (8 stitches).
16. Skip the previous SLST and make a SLST in the next 4 stitches. SC, HDC, DC, (DC, SC). (5 stitches).
17. (CH2- *does not count as a ST throughout the following rows*, DC), DC, (DC, HDC), SLST in the remaining 2 stitches. (4 stitches).
18. Skip the 1st 2 SLST's, SLST, HDC, DC, (6DC). (8 stitches).



19. (CH2, 2DC), (2DC) in the next 3 stitches. DC in the next 2 stitches. (2DC) in the next 2 stitches. (14 stitches).
20. (CH2, DC). Make 1DC in each ST across. (14 stitches).
21. (CH2, 2DC). Make 1DC in the next 5 stitches. SLST twice. 1DC in the next 5 stitches, (2DC). (14 stitches)
22. (CH2,DC2TOG), DC in the next 3 stitches. HDC, SLST. Leave the rest of the stitches unworked. (5 stitches)
23. **Turn**, **DO NOT CH1 for the following rows**. Skip the 1st SLST. Skip the next ST. SLST and make 1DC in the remaining 3 stitches. (3 stitches).
24. DC2TOG, DC. (2 stitches).
25. DC2TOG. Fasten off. (1 stitch).

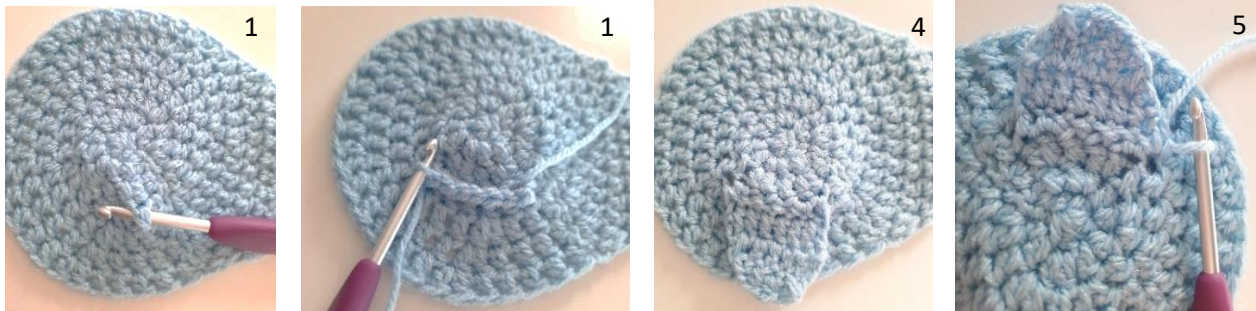


26. **Left side of tail.** Rejoin yarn on right side of whale in the 1st SLST . Skip the next ST, SLST, HDC in the next 3 stitches, DC2TOG. (4 stitches).
27. DC, DC, HDC, SLST. (3 stitches).
28. Skip the SLST and the next ST. SC, HDC. (2 stitches).
29. DC2TOG. (1 stitch).
30. With right side of Whale facing. (CH3 and SLST in the 3rd CH from the hook). Make 1SC in each ST around shape with a SLST where indicated on diagram with **red arrows** below. When you reach the bottom tail fin make (CH3 and SLST in the 3rd CH from the hook) at the tail point. Finish by making a SLST in the 1st CH of the beginning CH3. Fasten off yarn leaving a very long tail to sew the whale onto the blanket.



Fin

1. Insert hook under Row 4 in the 2nd ST from the join as in photo (1) and make a SC in the next 7 stitches. (7 stitches).
2. CH1 – *does not count as a ST*, and TURN. HDC, DC in each ST across with a HDC in the last ST. (7 stitches).
3. CH2 – *does not count as a ST*, and TURN. Skip the 1st ST. DC in the next 4 stitches. HDC2TOG. (5 stitches).
4. CH2 and Turn, Skip the 1st ST. DC in the next 2 stitches. HDC2TOG. Fasten off yarn. (3 stitches).
5. Rejoin yarn in the 1st ST of the fin on the right -hand side and SC in each ST around the fin. SLST in the 1st ST to join. Fasten off yarn. Dampen whale with water and pin out flat.



Cheek– Use 4mm hook and ASTER

1. In a MR make 5SC – do not join place marker in last ST. (5 stitches).
2. Make 1SC in each ST around. SLST in marker ST to join. Fasten off yarn leaving a long tail. Sew onto Whale as in photo. (5 stitches).
3. **Eye and mouth** – Using **LAPIS** sew a curved line with a flick for the eye and a curved line for the mouth. See photo.



Water Spurts – Use a 4mm hook and ASTER - CH1 at the start of each row. CH1 does not count as a ST.

1. **Right water spurt.** In a MR make 6SC. SLST in 1st SC made to join. (6 stitches).
2. Make (2SC) in each ST around. SLST in the 1st SC made to join. (12 stitches).
3. (SC, HDC, CH3, SLST in the 3rd CH from the hook, SC). SLST in each ST around. SLST in the 1st SC to join. Fasten off yarn leaving a long tail.
1. **Centre water spurt.** In a MR make 6SC. SLST in 1st SC made to join. (6 stitches).
2. Make (2SC) in each ST around. SLST in the 1st SC made to join. (12 stitches).
3. SLST in the 1st 2 stitches. (SC, CH3, SLST in the 3rd CH from the hook, HDC, SC). SLST in each ST around. SLST in the 1st SLST made to join. Fasten off yarn leaving a long tail.
1. **Left water spurt.** In a MR make 6SC. SLST in 1st SC made to join. (6 stitches).
2. (2DC), HDC, SC, SC, HDC, (2DC). SLST in 1st DC made. (7 stitches).
3. (HDC, CH3, SLST in the 3rd CH from the hook, , HDC), SC, SLST in each ST around finishing with a SLST in the 1st HDC made to join. Fasten off yarn leaving a long tail. Sew water spurts on as in photo.



Whale Squishy

1. **Make 1 side of the whale by repeating ROWS 1 – 29 of the whale applique.**

1. – 8. For the reverse side repeat **ROWS 1 -8 of the Whale Applique.** (12 stitches).

The following will be worked back and forth in rows across the 12 stitches. (DO NOT CH2 for the following rows – just turn and work into the same ST).

9. DC2TOG, Make 1DC in the following 8 stitches. DC2TOG. (10 stitches)

10. SC. Make 1HDC in each ST across. (10 stitches).

11. SC2TOG, SC in each of the remaining stitches. (9 stitches).

12. (SC, HDC), HDC in the next 5 stitches, SC. SLST in the last 2 stitches. (8 stitches).

13. Skip the 1st 2 SLST's. SLST twice. SC. HDC in the next 3 stitches. (HDC, SC). (6 stitches).

14. DC, (HDC, SC), (2SC), Make 1SC in the next 3 stitches. Ignore the SLST's. (8 stitches).

15. SLST, SC, Make 1DC in the next 5 stitches. (DC, HDC). (8 stitches).

16. (CH1, - *does not count as ST*, SC, DC), DC, HDC, SC, SLST in the next 2 stitches. *Leave remaining stitches unworked.*(5 stitches).

17. Skip SLST'. Then SLST in the next 2 stitches, (HDC,DC), DC, DC. (4 stitches).

18. (CH2 – *does not count as a ST for the rest of the pattern*, 6DC), DC, HDC, SLST. (8 stitches).

19. Skip the SLST, (2DC), (2DC), DC in the next 2 stitches. (2DC) in the next 3 stitches. (2DC). (14 stitches).

20. (CH2, DC). Make 1DC in each ST across. (14 stitches).

21. (CH2, 2DC), Make 1DC in the next 5 stitches. SLST twice. 1DC in the next 5 stitches, (2DC). (14 stitches).

22. DC2TOG, HDC in the next 3 stitches. SLST twice. *Leave remaining stitches unworked.*(4 stitches).

23. Skip the SLST's. SLST, HDC, DC, DC. (3 stitches).

24. HDC, SC, SLST. (2 stitches).

25. DC2TOG. Fasten off yarn.(1 stitch).

26. Rejoin yarn on right side of work in the 1st SLST in the centre of the tail. SLST. HDC, DC in the next 3 stitches. DC2TOG. (5 stitches).

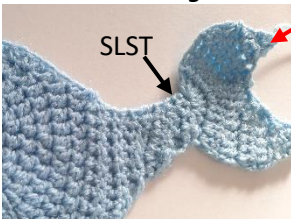
27. DC, DC, DC2TOG, SLST. (3 stitches).

28. DC, DC2TOG. (2 stitches).

29. DC2TOG. Fasten off yarn. (1 stitch).

30. Attach fin and cheek to each side of whale as previously done for the whale applique. Sew mouth and eyes on.

31. **Join the sides together.** Placing right sides together.



Rejoin yarn at the top of the tail fin. (CH3 and SLST in the 3rd CH from the hook). Working through both sets of stitches, make 1SC around until you reach the SLST at the base of the tail.

Make 1SC in the next 20 stitches. Then (2SC), SC. 10 times. Make 1SC around until you reach where the tail narrows. Turn whale the right way out and stuff with toy stuffing until firm. Continue making 1SC around while stuffing the tail taking care not to over stuff. When reaching the tail point make (CH3, SLST in the 3rd CH from the hook). Then continue making SC in both stitches around with a SLST in the centre of the tail. (filling with stuffing as you join). Finish with a SLST in the 1st CH of the beginning CH3. Fasten off yarn.



For this version I used silver, white, cloud blue and sherbet for the whale.

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