WINSOME AFGHAN

Finished Size: 37" x 50" Ch 179 loosely.

Sport Weight Baby Yarn: Afghan 25 ½ ounces, (720 grams, 2.740 yards)

LONG DOUBLE CROCHET: (abbreviated LDC) YO, insert hook in sc-indicated, YO and pull up a loop even with loop on hook, (YO and draw through 2 loops on hook) twice.

Row 1: Sc in second ch from hook and in each chain across: 178 sc.

Row 2 (Right side): Ch 3 (counts as first dc, now and throughout), turn; * skip next sc. dc in next 3 sc, working around last 3 dc. work LDC in skipped sc; repeat from * across to last sc, dc in last sc.

Row 3: Ch 1. turn; sc in each st across.

Row 4: Ch 3. turn; * skip next sc. dc in next 3 sc. working around last 3 dc. work LDC in skipped sc; repeat from * across to last sc. dc in last sc. Repeat Rows 3 and 4 until Afghan measures approximately 49" from beginning ch. ending by working Row 4: do not finish off.

EDGING

Round 1: Ch 1. turn; sc evenly around working 3 sc in each corner; join with slip st to first sc.

Rounds 2 and 3: Ch 1. turn: sc in each sc around working 3 sc in center sc of each corner 3-sc group; join with slip st to first sc.

Finish off.

DIAGONAL STRIP AFGHAN

This afghan measures about 36" X 36".

Materials: 24 oz worsted yarn (approximately), Size I crochet hook

When using baby yarn, use a smaller hook.

Ch = chain

Dc = double crochet

Sc = single crochet

Sp = space

Pattern:

Work begins in the corner.

Ch 4

Row 1: 3 dc in 4th ch from hook.

Row 2: Ch 4, turn, 3 dc in 4th ch from hook, sc in ch 4 sp first made, ch 3, 3 dc over same ch sp.

Row 3: Ch 4, turn, 3 dc in 4th ch from hook, *sc in next ch sp of shell below, ch 3, 3 dc in same sp, repeat from * once more.

Row 4: Ch 4, turn, 3 dc in 4th ch from hook, *(sc, ch 3, 3 dc) in next sp, repeat from * across.

Repeat row 4 for pattern working until you have the desired size across.

Decrease as follows:

Row 1: Ch 3, sc in next sp, work in pattern, end with sc in turning ch sp.

Finish: Work one row of sc around, 3 sc at the corners to keep work flat.

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Approximate Size: 36" x 38"

Materials: 18 oz. of 4-ply machine washable yarn

Gauge: With size J crochet hook, 1 cluster= 1 inch, and 3 rows = 2

inches

Note: The pattern can be adjusted to any size, made in any yarn with any size hook. It is a multiple of 3 sts, + 2 sts.)

Chain 107 loosely.

Row 1: In the 5th chain from hook, work 1 sc, ch 2, and 2 dc, *skip 2 ch, work 1 sc, ch 2, and 2 dc all in the next ch. Repeat from * across to last 3 ch (29 clusters), skip 2 ch, work 1 dc in the last ch.

Row 2: Chain 3, turn. Work 1 sc, ch2, and 2 dc clustered all in the first ch-2 loop. Repeat in all loops across to last loop. Work 1 dc in ch-3 space at the end of row.

Repeat Row 2 until piece measures approximately 36". Do not break off yarn. Continue around the corner and the remaining 3 sides of the blanket, working 1 sc-ch 2-2 dc clusters in each space. Slip st at the end. Break off with 3 inches of yarn and weave in yarn ends.