

## **CARON**

SAMPLER SQUARES BABY BLANKET | CROCHET





#### **MEASUREMENTS**

Appro. 36" [91.5cm] wide x 47" [119.5 cm] long

#### **GAUGE**

One block =  $11" \times 11" [28 \text{ cm } \times 28 \text{ cm}].$ 

### **MATERIALS**

<b>Caron® Simply Soft®</b> (6 oz/170 g; 315 yds/288 m)				
Contrast A Soft Pink (9719)	2	balls		
Contrast B Orchid (9717)	1	ball		
Contrast C Sift Blue (9712)	1	ball		
Contrast D Off White (9702)	2	balls		
Contrast E Soft Green (9739)	1	ball		
Contrast F Light Country Peach (9737)	2	balls		

One size US J-10 (6mm) crochet hook, or size need to obtain gauge.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

### BLOCK 1 (make 3 – 1 each with A, B, and C) Ch 42.

Row 1 (RS): Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining ch across, turn—41 sc.

Row 2: Ch 1, [(sc, ch 2, 4 dc) in next sc (cluster made), sk next 3 sc] 10 times, sc in last sc, turn—10 clusters. Rows 3-22: Ch 3, 4 dc in first sc, (sc, ch 2, 4 dc) in next 9 ch-2 sps, sc in last ch-2 sp, turn.

Round 23 (RS): Ch 3, [dc in next dc, hdc in next dc, sc in next 2 dc, sk next ch-2 sp, sk next sc] 9 times, dc in next dc, hdc in next dc, sc in last 2 dc, do not turn at end of row; work 3 sc in corner, working in ends of rows, work 41 sc evenly across side edge; work 3 sc in corner, work 41 sc evenly across opposite side of foundation ch, work 3 sc in corner; work 41 sc evenly across other side edge, work 3 sc in corner; join with sl st in top of beginning ch. Fasten off.

## BLOCK 2 (make 3 – 1 each with C, D, and E)

Ch 38.

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining ch across, turn—37 sc.

Row 2 (RS): Ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), [dc in next 5 sts, Bobble in next st] 5 times, dc in last 6 sts, turn—32 dc and 5 Bobbles.

Row 3: Ch 3, 3 dc in first dc, [sk next 2 dc, sc in next dc, sk next 2 sts, 7 dc in next Bobble] 5 times, sk next 2 dc, sc in next dc, sk next 2 dc, 4 dc in last dc (top of turning ch), turn—43 dc and 6 sc.

Row 4: Ch 3,dc in next 2 dc, [sk next dc, Bobble in next sc, sk next dc, dc in next 5 dc] 5 times, sk next dc, Bobble in next sc, sk next dc, dc in last 3 dc, turn—31 dc and 6 Bobbles.

Row 5: Ch 1, sc in first dc, [sk next 2 dc, 7 dc in next Bobble, sk next 2 dc, sc in next dc] 6 times, turn— 42 dc and 7 sc.

Row 6: Ch 3, [sk next dc, dc in next 5 dc, sk next dc, Bobble in next sc] 5 times, sk next dc, dc in next 5 dc, sk next dc, dc in last sc, turn—32 dc and 5 Bobbles.

Rows 7–18: Repeat Rows 3–6 three times.

**Rows 19–21:** Repeat Rows 3–5.

Round 22 (RS): Ch 3, [sk next dc, hdc in next dc, sc in next 3 dc, hdc in next dc, sk next dc, Bobble in next sc] 6 times, do not turn at end of row; work 3 sc in corner, working in ends of rows, work 41 sc evenly across side edge; work 3 sc in corner, work 41 sc evenly across opposite side of foundation ch, work 3 sc in corner; work 41 sc evenly across other side edge, work 3 sc in corner; join with sl st in top of beginning ch. Fasten off.

## BLOCK 3 (make 3 – 1 each with B, E, and F)

Ch 44.

Row 1: 3 dc in 4th ch from hook (beginning ch counts as dc), [sk next 2 ch, dc in next 2 ch, sk next 2 ch, 3 dc in next 2 ch] 4 times, sk next 2 ch, dc in next 2 ch, sk next 2 ch, 3 dc in next ch, dc in last ch, turn-42 dc.



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**Row 2 (RS):** Ch 3 (counts as first dc here and throughout), dc in next dc, [sk next 2 dc, (FPtr, 2 dc) in next dc, (2 dc, FPtr) in next dc, sk next 2 dc, dc in next 2 dc] 5 times, turn.

Row 3: Ch 3, [(2 dc, BPtr) in next st, sk next 2 sts, dc in next 2 sts, sk next 2 sts, (BPtr, 2 dc) in next st] 5 times, dc in last st, turn.

**Row 4:** Ch 3, [dc in next st, sk next 2 sts, (FPtr, 2 dc) in next st, (2 dc, FPtr) in next st, sk next 2 sts, dc in next st] 5 times, dc in last st, turn.

Rows 5-20: Repeat Rows 3 and 4 eight times. Round 21 (RS): Work 41 sc evenly across row, do not turn at end of row; work 3 sc in corner, working in ends of rows, work 41 sc evenly across side edge; work 3 sc in corner, work 41 sc evenly across opposite side of foundation ch, work 3 sc in corner; work 41 sc evenly across other side edge, work 3 sc in corner, work 41 sc evenly across; join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off.

## BLOCK 4 (make 3 – 1 each with A, D, and F) Ch 44.

**Row 1:** Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining ch across—43 sc.

Row 2 (RS): Ch 3 (counts as first dc here and throughout), \*sk next 3 sc, 3 dc in next sc, ch 3, working around last 3 dc made, 3 dc in 2nd skipped st, sk next sc, dc in next sc; repeat from \* across, turn—50 dc.

**Row 3:** Ch 3, 3 dc in first dc, sk next 3 dc, [sc in next ch-3 sp, sk next 4 dc, 3 dc in next dc, ch 3, working around last 3 dc made, 3 dc in 3rd

skipped dc] 6 times, sc in next ch-3 sp, sk next 3 dc, 4 dc in top of turning ch, turn.

**Row 4:** Ch 3, [sk next 3 dc, sk next sc, 3 dc in next dc, ch 3, working around last 3 dc made, 3 dc in last skipped dc, sc in next ch-3 sp] 6 times, sk next 3 dc, sk next sc, 3 dc in next dc, ch 3, working around last 3 dc made, 3 dc in last skipped dc, sc in top of turning ch, turn.

**Rows 5–18:** Repeat Rows 3 and 4 seven times. **Row 19:** Repeat Row 3.

**Round 20 (RS):** Ch 2, dc in first dc, 5 dc in next sc, [sc in next ch-3 sp, 5 dc in next sc] 7 times, dc in top of turning ch, do not turn at end of row, work 3 sc in corner, working in ends of rows, work 41 sc evenly across side edge; work 3 sc in corner, work 41 sc evenly across opposite side of foundation ch, work 3 sc in corner; work 41 sc evenly across other side edge, work 3 sc in corner; join with sl st in top of beginning ch. Fasten off.

### **FINISHING**

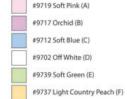
Arrange blocks according to assembly diagram and sew together.

#### **Edging**

**Round 1:** With RS facing, join D with sl st in center sc of any 3-sc corner, ch 2, dc in each st around, working 5 dc in each corner; join with sl st in first dc. Fasten off.

**Round 2:** With F, repeat Round 1. Fasten off. **Round 3:** With A, repeat Round 2. Fasten off. Using yarn needle, weave in all ends.

Block 3	Block 4	Block 1
Block 2	Block 1	Block 2
Block 1	Block 3	Block 4
Block 4	Block 2	Block 3
#9719 Soft Pink		



# ABBREVIATIONS www.yarnspirations.com/abbreviations

**BPtr** = Back-post treble crochet - (Yarn over) twice, insert hook from back to front and then to back again around post of stitch, yarn over and draw up

a loop, complete as tr.

Ch(s) = Chain(s)

**Dc** = double crochet

**FPtr** = Front-post treble crochet - (Yarn over) twice, insert hook from front to back and then to front again around post of stitch, yarn over and draw up a loop, complete as tr. Used in Block 4:

To work a dc "around" a group of sts, work as follows:

- 1. Yarn over
- 2. Bring your hook in front of the group of sts and insert it into the indicated st.
- 3. Take the working yarn behind the group of sts to prepare for the next yarn over.
- 4. Yarn over and draw up a loop.
- 5. Complete the dc as usual.

Taking the hook to the front before inserting, but then taking the yarn to the back before drawing up a loop 'encases' the group of sts (thus the phrase 'work around')

**Hdc** = half double crochet

**Bobble** = Bobble: Yarn over, insert hook in next stitch and draw up a loop, [yarn over, insert hook in same stitch and draw up a loop] 4 more times, yarn over and draw through 10 loops on hook, yarn over and draw through last 2 loops on hook.

**Sc** = single crochet

**SI st** = Slip stitch