The Gigi Blanket

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Yarn
- Color A - Red Heart Super Saver - Real Teal, 3 balls, 198 g / 7 oz, 333 meters / 364 yards
- Color B - Bernat Super Value - Aqua, 2 balls, 197 g / 7 oz, 389 meters / 426 yards

Hook
- 5.0 mm / H Hook

Sizing
- 38" x 48"
- Multiples 40 + 42

Abbreviations
Beg - Beginning
Ch - Chain
Dc - Double crochet
Rep - Repeat
Rnd - Round
Rs - Right side
Sc - Single crochet
Sk - Skip
Sp - Sp.ace
St(s) - Stitch, stitches
Ws - Wrong side

Special Stitches
- **X-St** - Skip next stitch and place dc; dc into skipped stitch.
- **Bobble** - Dc5tog - In the next stitch, *yarn over, pull up a loop, yo, pull through 2 loops, repeat from * 4 times, until you have 6 loops on hook, yo and pull through all to complete 5 dc together.

This is a combination of my two favorite patterns, the Hugs & Kisses and the Modern Granny. I could have called it, The Modern Granny gives Hugs & Kisses Blanket, but that is a bit long, so it's simply The Gigi, as I am called by my favorite people.

Instructions
Start with the Hugs & Kisses section.

With Color A, ch 162.

Row 1: (WS) Dc in 4th chain from hook and next 17 ch, dc3tog, *dc in next 18 ch, 3 dc in next ch, dc in next 18 ch, dc3tog; rep from * 2 more times, dc in next 17 ch, 2 dc in last ch. Turn.

Row 2: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in next 17 st, sc3tog, *sc in next 18 st, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 18 st, sc3tog; rep from * 2 more times, sc in next 17 st, 2 sc in last st. Turn.

Row 3: Ch 3 (counts as a dc here and throughout), dc in next st, dc in previous st (same as ch 3), (sk st, dc in next st, dc in skipped st) 8 times, dc3tog, *(sk st, dc in next st, dc in skipped st) 9 times,

3 dc in next st, (sk st, dc in next st, dc in skipped st) 9 times, dc3tog; rep from * 2 more times, (sk st, dc in next st, dc in skipped st) 9 times, dc once more in last st. Turn.

Row 4: Rep row 2. Drop color A, add color B. Turn.

Row 5: Ch 1, 2 hdc in first st, bobble in next st, hdc in next st, (hdc, bobble, hdc) 5 times, hdc3tog, *(hdc, bobble, hdc) 6 times, 3 hdc in next st, (hdc, bobble, hdc) 6 times, hdc3tog; rep from * 2 more times, (hdc, bobble, hdc) 6 times, hdc once more in last st. Drop color B, add color A. Turn.

Row 6: Rep row 2.

Row 7: Rep row 3.

Row 8: Rep row 2.

Row 9: Ch 3, dc in same st, dc in next 17 sts, dc3tog, *dc in next 18 sts, 3 dc in next st, dc in next 18 sts, dc3tog; rep from * 2 more times, dc in next 17 sts, 2 dc in last st. Turn.

Transition into Modern Granny.

Row 10: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, ch 3, sk 2 dc, sc in next sp, (ch 3, sk 3 dc, sc in next sp) 4 times, ch 3, sk 3 dc, (sc3tog by using the next sp, the middle st, and the sp after the next dc), *(ch 3, sk 3 dc, sc in next sp) 6 times, ch 3, sk 1 dc, sc in next sp, (ch 3, sk 3 dc, sc in next sp) 5 times, ch 3, sk 3 dc, (sc3tog by using the next sp, the middle st, and the sp after the next dc); rep from * 2 more times, (ch 3, sk 3 dc, sc in next sp) 5 times, ch 3, sk 2 dc, 2 sc in last st. Drop color A, add color B. Turn.

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Row 11: Ch 3, 3 dc in same st, (3 dc in each ch-3 sp) 5 times, (dc in next sp, dc2tog in same sp and next sp, dc once more in same sp), *(3 dc in each ch-3 sp) 5 times, (3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in next sp, (3 dc in each ch-3 sp) 5 times, (dc in next sp, dc2tog in same sp and next sp, dc once more in same sp); rep from * 2 more times, (3 dc in each ch-3 sp) 5 times, sk next sc, 4 dc in last st. Turn.

Row 12: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, (ch 3, sk 3 dc, sc in next sp) 5 times, ch 3, sk 3 dc, (sc2tog using next 2 sps), *(ch 3, sk 3 dc, sc in next sp) 5 times, ch 3, sk 3 dc, (sc, ch 3, sc) in next ch-3, (ch 3, sk 3 dc, sc in next sp) 5 times, ch 3, sk 3 dc, (sc2tog using next 2 sps); rep from * 2 more times, (ch 3, sk 3 dc, sc in next sp) 5 times, ch 3, sk 3 dc, 2 sc in last st. Turn. Row

Row 13: Rep row 11. Drop color B, add color A. Turn.

Row 14: Rep row 12.

Row 15: Rep row 11. Drop color A, add color B. Turn.

Rows 16 - 19: Rep rows 12 and 11. At the end of row 19, Drop color B, add color A. Turn.

Row 20: Rep row 12.

Transition back to Hugs & Kisses

Row 21: Ch 3, dc in same st, dc in next sc, (2 dc in ch-3 sp, dc in next sc) 5 times, (dc in ch-3 sp, dc3tog in same sp, the next sc and the next ch-3 sp, dc again), dc in next sc, *(2 dc in ch-3 sp, dc in next sc) 5 times, 5 dc in next ch-3 sp, dc in next sc, (2 dc in ch-3 sp, dc in next sc) 5 times, (dc in ch-3 sp, dc3tog in same sp, the next sc and the next ch-3 sp, dc again); rep from * 2 more times, dc in next sc, (2 dc in ch-3 sp, dc in next sc) 5 times, 2 dc in last st. Turn.

Rows 22-29: Rep rows 2 thru 9.

Rows 30-41: Rep rows 10 thru 21.

Rows 42 - 81: Rep rows 22 thru 41, 2 times.

Rows 82 - 89: Rep rows 2 thru 9 once more. Turn.

Border
Rnd 1: Rep row 2. At the end of the row, 3 sc in last st, turn project to work along the side. Continue to sc around the entire blanket, placing 3 sc in each corner. Fasten off.