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# HUGS & KISSES BABY SHOWER BLANKET

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## Inspiration, Materials and Sizing

Adapted in January 2024 from the original to make the repeating simpler to follow. It looks identical to the original with different instructions.

Original design was called Hugs and Kisses All Around.

**Caron Big Cakes**, (300 g/ 10.5 oz, 551 m/ 603 yds)

Cake Roll - 3 balls

**Hook Size 5.5 mm / I/9**

**Finished blanket is 42" x 42"**.

## Abbreviations

Beg = Beginning  
Ch = Chain  
Dc = Double Crochet  
Rep = Repeat  
RS = Right Side  
Sc = Single Crochet  
Sl st = Slip Stitch  
Sp = Space  
St = Stitch

## Special Stitches

**X-st:** Skip next st, dc into next st, cross back and dc into skipped st; 1 X-st made.

**Pc (popcorn stitch):** Work 4 dc into the next st, drop the loop from the hook, insert your hook from front to back under the top 2 loops of the first double crochet of the group; 1 pc made. Ch 1 to close.

## Notes:

**Join** = Half double crochet to the top of the first ch-3 or single crochet st.

Stitch counts given per side.

**Ch 4, sl st to beg ch to form ring.**

**1st rnd: RS.** Ch 3, 3 dc in ring. Ch 2. (4 dc, ch 2) 2 times in ring. 4 dc in ring. Join. 4 dc.

**Tips:** Hdc that was used for joining to the top of a ch-3 or single crochet stitch is the equivalent of ch-2 sp. Use hdc post as corner sp.

**Every other round is a single crochet round.**

**2nd rnd & Alternate Rnds:** Ch 1, 1 sc in same corner sp. 1 sc in each st across to corner. \*(1 sc. Ch 2. 1 sc) in corner sp. 1 sc in each st to next corner. Rep from \* around. 1 sc in beg corner sp. Join. 6 sc.

**3rd rnd:** Ch 3 (counts as dc now and throughout), 1 dc in same beg sp, x-st to next corner. \*(2 dc. Ch 2. 2 dc) in corner. X-st across to next corner. Rep from \* around. 2 dc in beg corner sp. Join. 3 x-st

and 4 dc. 10 sts total.

**4th rnd:** 12 sc.

**5th rnd:** Ch 3, 1 dc in same corner sp. [Pc in next st, 1dc in next st.] Rep from [ ] to corner. \*(2 dc. Ch 2. 2 dc) in corner sp. Rep [ ] to next corner. Rep from \* around. 2 dc in beg corner sp. Join. 6 popcorn and 10 dc. 16 sts total.

**6th rnd:** 18 sc.

**7th rnd:** Ch 3 (counts as dc now and throughout), 1 dc in same beg sp, x-st to next corner. \*(2 dc. Ch 2. 2 dc) in corner. X-st across to next corner. Rep from \* around. 2 dc in beg corner sp. Join. 9 x-st and 4 dc. 22 sts total.

**8th rnd:** 24 sc.

**9th rnd:** Ch 3, 1 dc in same corner sp. 1 dc in each st to next corner. \*(2 dc. Ch 2. 2 dc) in corner sp. 1 dc in each st to next corner. Rep from \* around. 2 dc in beg corner sp. Join. 28 dc.

**Rep rnds 2 to 9 until 49 rnds are complete.**

**Edging rnd:** Ch 1, reverse sc in

each st around with 3 rsc in each corner. Fasten off.

### Stitch Counts for Repeating *(added st count from previous rnd for your reference)*

10 - 30 sc (+ 2)  
11 - 15 xst & 4 dc. 34 sts (+ 4)  
12 - 36 sc (+ 2)  
13 - 18 pc & 22 dc. 40 sts. (+ 4)  
14 - 42 sc (+ 2)  
15 - 21 xst & 4 dc. 46 sts (+ 4)  
16 - 48 sc (+ 2)  
17 - 52 dc. (+ 4)

### Tips

Each time you do X-sts, the next time you do the x-st round, you will have 6 more x-sts.

Each time you complete a popcorn round, the next time you do the popcorn round, you will have 12 more popcorn.

18 - 54 sc  
19 - 27 xst & 4 dc. 58 sts  
20 - 60 sc  
21 - 30 pc & 34 dc. 64 sts  
22 - 66 sc  
23 - 33 xst & 4 dc. 70 sts  
24 - 72 sc  
25 - 76 dc.

26 - 78 sc  
27 - 39 xst & 4 dc. 82 sts  
28 - 84 sc  
29 - 42 pc & 46 dc. 88 sts  
30 - 90 sc  
31 - 45 xst & 4 dc. 94 sts  
32 - 96 sc  
33 - 100 dc.

34 - 102 sc  
35 - 51 xst & 4 dc. 106 sts  
36 - 108 sc  
37 - 54 pc & 58 dc. 112 sts  
38 - 114 sc  
39 - 57 xst & 4 dc. 118 sts  
40 - 120 sc  
41 - 124 dc.

42 - 126 sc  
43 - 63 xst & 4 dc. 130 sts  
44 - 132 sc  
45 - 66 pc & 70 dc. 136 sts  
46 - 138 sc  
47 - 69 xst & 4 dc. 142 sts  
48 - 144 sc  
49 - 148 dc.

Pattern officially ends here with a final edging round but you can continue and use my tips for the stitch counts.

