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Crochet Star Blanket: Free Crochet Pattern

Finished Size & Skill Level

- **Finished size:** approx 35 in point to point (excluding tassels), a baby blanket size.
- **Skill level:** Advanced beginner and up. Uses magic ring, turning rounds, color changes, and stitch counting at the points.
- **Construction:** An 8-point star worked in rounds from a magic ring at the center outward. Work is TURNED after every round. Star points are formed with shell stitches (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in chain-2 spaces; valleys are shaped by skipping 2 sts between dc groups. Eight tassels are attached at the points.

Materials

- Crochet hook to match your yarn (medium #4 yarn pairs with a 5 to 5.5 mm hook)
- Yarn in 4 colors: white, pastel blue, yellow, light grey (100 g balls)
- Yarn needle for weaving in ends
- Scissors
- 4 in piece of cardboard for making tassels

Abbreviations (US Terms)

- **ch** - chain
- **sl st** - slip stitch
- **sc** - single crochet
- **hdc** - half double crochet
- **dc** - double crochet
- **shell** - (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in the same space
- **st(s)** - stitch(es)
- **sp** - space

Gauge

- 16 sts x 9 rows = 4 in in double crochet.

Pattern Notes

- Turn your work after every round (unusual for in-the-round work, but required here).
- Colorwork panels begin at Round 7: work 8 panels alternating the four colors.
- Count carefully at each point: every point gets a shell in its ch-2 space.

Star Center

- **Round 1:** Make a magic ring. Ch 3 (counts as dc), 15 dc into the ring. Join with a sl st to the top of the ch 3. Turn. (16 dc)

- **Round 2:** Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in the same st, 2 dc in each st around. Join. Turn. (32 dc)
- **Round 3:** Ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in the next st, (dc in the next st, 2 dc in the next st) rep around. Join. Turn. (48 dc)
- **Round 4:** Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in the next 2 sts, 2 dc in the next st, (dc in the next 3 sts, 2 dc in the next st) rep around. Join. Turn. (60 dc)
- **Round 5:** Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in each st around. Join. Turn. (60 dc)
- **Round 6:** Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in the next 6 sts, 2 dc in the next st, (dc in the next 7 sts, 2 dc in the next st) rep around. Join. Turn. (68 dc)

Star Points

From Round 7, begin the 8 colorwork panels and shape the 8 points.

- **Round 7:** Join a new color. Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in the next 2 sts, skip 2 sts, shell in the next st, skip 2 sts, (dc in the next 3 sts, skip 2 sts, shell in the next st, skip 2 sts) rep 7 more times. Join. Turn.
- **Rounds 8 onward:** Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in each dc across to the next ch-2 sp, shell in the ch-2 sp, (dc in each dc across the panel, shell in the next ch-2 sp) rep around. Join. Turn.
- Each round adds one dc to each side of every point. Change colors every 2 to 3 rounds for the paneled look.
- Continue until the star measures about 35 in point to point.

Edging

- **Final round:** Ch 1, sc in each st and ch around, working 3 sc in each point tip ch-2 sp. Join. Fasten off.

Tassels (make 8)

- Wrap yarn 40 times around the 4 in cardboard.
- Tie the top tightly, cut the bottom loops, and trim to about 3.5 in.
- Attach one tassel to each star point.

Finishing

- Weave in all remaining ends with your yarn needle.
- Gently block the star so the points lie flat.

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