CROCHET TEMPERATURE BLANKET: A BEAUTIFUL 365-DAY STRIPED THROW IN 2 SIZES

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FINISHED SIZE

Size | Width | Length (365 rows) | Stitches per row

Narrow Throw | about 36 in (91 cm) | about 74 in (188 cm) | 160 sc

Throw | about 50 in (127 cm) | about 74 in (188 cm) | 223 sc

Sizes are approximate and will vary a little with your yarn and tension. Both sizes share the same length, because the length comes from the 365 rows.

SKILL LEVEL

Beginner. You need chains and single crochet only, plus changing colors at the end of a row. The source pattern gives no skill level label; Beginner reflects its own description: plain back and forth rows of single crochet.

TIME

About 74 hours in total for the Narrow Throw or about 102 hours for the Throw, which is about 12 minutes a row for the Narrow Throw and about 17 minutes a row for the Throw. These are estimates, not timed: the source states the hours are estimated, not timed.

MATERIALS

- DK weight (#3) yarn in 10 temperature colors plus cream for the border. The source names no yarn brand: use any DK weight yarn you like, but use one brand and one dye lot family if you can, because a year of rows is long and a thinner yarn changes the length.
- Total yarn, estimated with a 15 percent margin: about 2,680 yd (2,451 m) for the Narrow Throw or about 3,720 yd (3,402 m) for the Throw. The split by color depends on your weather: you cannot know in advance how many days will fall in each range.
- Plan 220 yd (201 m) per 30 days of one color for the Narrow Throw, or 310 yd (283 m) per 30 days of one color for the Throw. Add a skein for the ranges your city sees most.
- With 250 yd skeins: about 34 rows per skein for the Narrow Throw or about 24 rows per skein for the Throw.
- Cream for the border: 50 yd (46 m) for the Narrow Throw or 60 yd (55 m) for the Throw.
- US G-6 (4 mm) crochet hook

- Yarn needle
- Scissors
- Stitch markers

ABBREVIATIONS (US terms)

ch: chain. RS: right side. sc: single crochet. sl st: slip stitch. st(s): stitch(es). tch: turning chain (ch 1 here: never counted, never worked into). WS: wrong side. F: degrees Fahrenheit. C: degrees Celsius.

NOTES

The pattern uses the day's HIGH temperature in degrees F. Pick one weather source for your city and stay with it all year. Row 1 is January 1 and Row 365 is December 31. If you start on another date, number your rows from your own first day; the pattern is the same. 2027 is not a leap year, so the count of 365 rows is exact. In a leap year, February 28 and 29 share one row, so the blanket still has 365 rows. The turning chain (ch 1) does not count as a stitch. Work the first sc in the very first sc and the last sc in the last sc of the row, never in the turning chain. To change color, work the last sc of the row until 2 loops are on the hook, drop the old color, and pull the new color through both loops. Ch 1 and turn as usual. If the next row has the same color, keep going with the same yarn. Leave a 4 in tail at every color change and weave it in on the wrong side. Gauge: 18 sts and 20 rows = 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet with DK (#3) yarn and a US G-6 (4 mm) hook. This gauge is SUGGESTED ONLY, not swatched: the source states it is an estimate, not a measurement. Make a swatch first and adjust your hook if your gauge is off.

TEMPERATURE COLOR CHART

Use the day's high temperature in degrees F. The degrees C column is an approximate conversion (whole degrees), computed from the F ranges; the F ranges are the chart.

Daily high (F) | Daily high (about C) | Color

19 and below | -7 and below | Deep Navy

20 to 29 | -7 to -2 | Royal Blue

30 to 39 | -1 to 4 | Sky Blue

40 to 49 | 4 to 9 | Teal

50 to 59 | 10 to 15 | Sage Green

60 to 69 | 16 to 21 | Butter Yellow

70 to 79 | 21 to 26 | Orange

80 to 89 | 27 to 32 | Coral Red

90 to 99 | 32 to 37 | Burgundy

100 and above | 38 and above | Plum

Border | - | Cream

Swap any color you do not like. Keep one color per range.

FOUNDATION

Narrow Throw: Ch 161. (161 ch)

Throw: Ch 224. (224 ch)

Place a stitch marker every 25 ch and count again before the first row. Keep the foundation chain loose.

ROWS

Work one row per day, in the color of that day's high temperature.

Row 1 (WS): Sc in the back bump of the 2nd ch from the hook (the ch you skip is the turning ch, not a st), then sc in the back bump of each of the next 159 (Narrow Throw) or 222 (Throw) ch. (160 sc Narrow Throw; 223 sc Throw)

Row 2 (RS): Ch 1 (does not count as a st), turn. Sc in each st across. Do not work in the turning ch. (160 sc Narrow Throw; 223 sc Throw)

Rows 3 to 365: Repeat Row 2, one row per day, in the color of the day's high temperature. Row 365 is the last row. (365 rows in all, both sizes)

WORKED EXAMPLE: THE FIRST FOUR DAYS

This is an example with made up temperatures, to show how the chart works.

Day 1, January 1: high 34 F. 34 F is in the 30 to 39 range, so Row 1 is Sky Blue. (160 sc Narrow Throw; 223 sc Throw)

Day 2, January 2: high 41 F. 41 F is in the 40 to 49 range, so Row 2 is Teal. (160 sc Narrow Throw; 223 sc Throw)

Day 3, January 3: high 28 F. 28 F is in the 20 to 29 range, so Row 3 is Royal Blue. (160 sc Narrow Throw; 223 sc Throw)

Day 4, January 4: high 52 F. 52 F is in the 50 to 59 range, so Row 4 is Sage Green. (160 sc Narrow Throw; 223 sc Throw)

Keep going the same way: look up the high, find its range, crochet one row in that color.

WHICH ROW FOR WHICH DAY

January: Rows 1 to 31. February: Rows 32 to 59. March: Rows 60 to 90. April: Rows 91 to 120. May: Rows 121 to 151. June: Rows 152 to 181. July: Rows 182 to 212. August: Rows 213 to 243. September: Rows 244 to 273. October: Rows 274 to 304. November: Rows 305 to 334. December: Rows 335 to 365.

BORDER

Fasten off after Row 365. With the right side facing you, join the cream yarn in the top right corner. Work 1 round of sc, in 5 steps.

Step 1, Top edge: Ch 1 (does not count), 3 sc in the same st, sc in each of the next 158 (Narrow Throw) or 221 (Throw) sts, 3 sc in the next st. (164 sc Narrow Throw; 227 sc Throw)

Step 2, Left side: 1 sc in the end of each of the next 363 rows (the top and bottom rows are the corner sts). (363 sc)

Step 3, Bottom edge: The ch you skipped at the start of Row 1 stays unworked. 3 sc in the free loop (the V) of the ch under the first sc of Row 1, sc in the free loop of each of the next 158 (Narrow Throw) or 221 (Throw) ch, 3 sc in the free loop of the ch under the last sc of Row 1. (164 sc Narrow Throw; 227 sc Throw)

Step 4, Right side: 1 sc in the end of each of the next 363 rows. (363 sc)

Step 5, Join: Join with a sl st in the first sc. Fasten off. (1,054 sc in all, Narrow Throw; 1,180 sc in all, Throw)

FINISHING

Weave in every end on the wrong side. Wash and dry the blanket as the yarn label says. Block lightly if the edges need it: pin it out to the finished measurements and let it dry fully.

CARE

Wash and dry as the yarn label says. The source gives no separate care instructions beyond the yarn label.

TIPS FOR KEEPING GOING ALL YEAR

- Log every day, even the days you do not crochet. A notebook or a spreadsheet works well.
- Catch up weekly. Seven rows take about an hour and a half for the Narrow Throw, or about two hours for the Throw.
- Weave in ends as you go. Do not leave them for December.
- Keep the colors organized. A small bag or box for each color saves tangles.
- Count your stitches every week. If the sides ripple, you have too many sc at the ends; if they pull in, work 2 sc in the first or last st now and then and count again.
- If you miss days, look up the past highs and crochet the missing rows a few at a time. Or number your rows from your own first day.
- Mark special days, like a wedding or a big trip, with a metallic or sparkle row so they shine in the finished blanket.

VARIATIONS

- Month markers: at the end of each month, work one divider row in a neutral color, such as grey or cream, so you can read the months in the finished blanket. A divider row adds 1 row per month, so the blanket has 365 daily rows plus 12 divider rows, and finishes about 2.5 in (6 cm) longer.
- Moss stitch: work the same 365 rows in moss stitch instead of single crochet for a flatter fabric with a little more texture. The finished length will change, so swatch first.
- Start on any date: a birthday, a wedding day, or the first day of school all make lovely start dates. Number your rows from your own first day.

- A blanket for a past year: use historical weather data for a birth year, a wedding year, or any year you want to remember. The pattern is the same.

Pattern adapted from the free pattern by AMG Royal: Crochet Temperature Blanket 2027: Free Pattern + Chart, https://www.amgroyal.com/crochet-temperature-blanket/

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