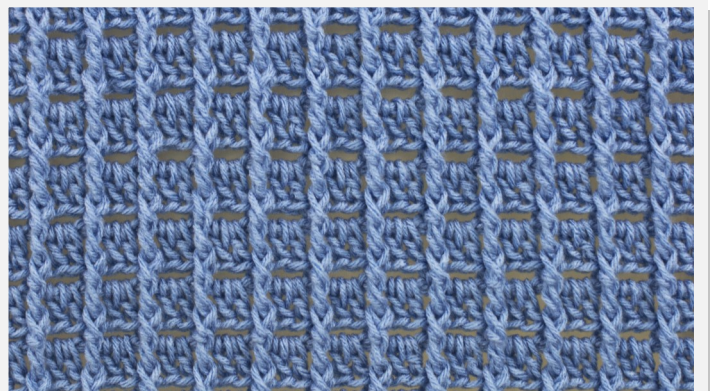
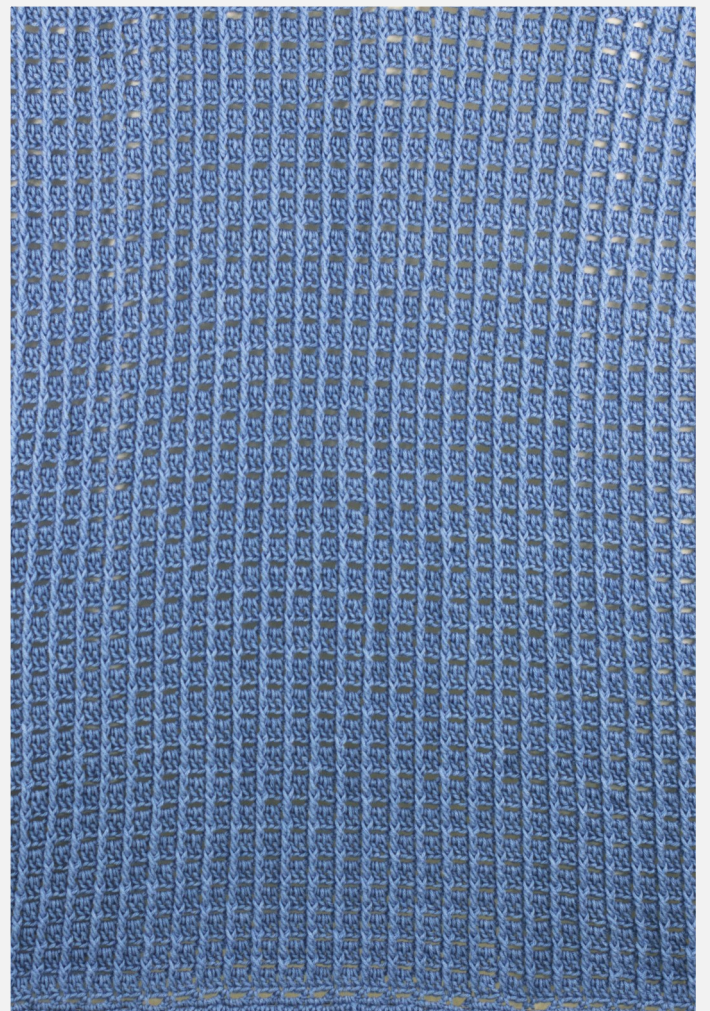


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### **Skill Level:**

Easy

### **Size:**

34" Square (34" x 34")

### **Materials:**

Cascade Yarns® Anthem  
100% Acrylic  
100 g (3.5 oz) / 186 yds (170 m)  
5 skeins of Color # 26 (Vista Blue)  
Crochet hook, size J (6mm) or  
size needed to obtain gauge  
Yarn Needle  
Stitch Markers

### **Gauge:**

12 sts x 5 rows = 4" (10 cm) in pattern,  
blocked

### **Abbreviations:**

Ch	= Chain
Dc	= Double Crochet
Hdc	= Half Double Crochet
RS	= Right Side
Sc	= Single Crochet
Sk	= Skip
Sp	= Space
St(s)	= Stitch(es)
WS	= Wrong Side

### **Special Stitches:**

#### **Front Post Double Crochet (fpdc):**

With RS facing, YO, insert hook from front to back to front around post of indicated st, yo and draw up a loop (three loops on hook), yo and complete as regular dc.

#### **Front Post Treble Crochet (fptr):**

With RS facing, YO twice, insert hook from front to back to front around post of indicated st, YO and draw up a loop (four loops on hook), YO and pull through two loops three times, like you would for a regular treble crochet stitch.

### **Pattern**

Ch 110

Row 1 (WS): Sc in 2<sup>nd</sup> ch from hook, \*Ch 2, skip 2 ch, Sc in next ch, repeat from \* across, ending with Sc in last ch. Turn.

Row 2 (RS): Ch 3 (counts as Dc here and throughout pattern), \*2 Dc in next ch 2 sp, Fpdc around next sc, repeat from \* across, ending with Dc in last sc. Turn.

Row 3: Ch 1, Sc in 1<sup>st</sup> dc, \*Ch 2, sk 2 dc, Sc in top of fpdc, repeat from \* across, ending with Sc in top of turning ch. Turn.

Row 4: Ch 3, \*2 Dc in next ch 2 sp, Fptr around the post stitch two rows below, repeat from \* across, ending with Dc in last sc. Turn.

Repeat Rows 3 & 4 thirty-four (34) more times, then Row 3 once more. Do Not Turn!

**Edging:**

Mark corners with stitch markers so you know where to make increases.

**Round 1:** Ch 1, 3 Sc in corner, place stitch marker in middle stitch, then starting along the side of the blanket, \*Sc in sc row, 2 Sc around dc / turning ch, repeat from \* to corner, 3 Sc in corner, \*\*Sc in sc, 2 Sc in ch sp, repeat from \*\* to corner, 3 Sc in corner, repeat all starting from \*, ending with 2 Sc in ch sp, slip stitch into 1<sup>st</sup> sc made.

**Round 2:** Ch 2, Hdc into 1<sup>st</sup> sc, 3 Hdc in marked stitch, \*Hdc in each st across, 3 Hdc in corner, repeat from \* around, ending with slip stitch into 1<sup>st</sup> hdc made.

**Finishing:**

Finish off yarn and weave in all ends.