

# Basically Beautiful



This pattern is easy, since it uses the three “basic” crochet stitches: Single crochet, half-double crochet and double-crochet. If you get bored doing the same stitch, row after row, you’ll like this pattern that changes things up!

**Getting Started!** I suggest using two strands of 4-ply yarn and a “N” size hook. With this combo the blanket works up fast and is nice and thick. The end result is about 18”x 20” which is a great size.

**To begin** - CH 31.

**Row 1** – SC in second chain from hook, and across to the end.

**Row 2** – CH2, turn, HDC in 2<sup>nd</sup> chain from hook and across to the end.

**Row 3** – CH2, turn, DC in 2nd chain from hook and across to the end.

**Row 4** – Repeat row 2.

**Row 5** – Repeat row 1.

*At this point I changed yarn color...so feel free to do so, if you want!*

**Row 6 - 10** – Repeat pattern formed by rows 1 to 5. In total, you’ll repeat the pattern five times to form 6 stripes.

**Border** – Any type of border can be applied to this piece. For the sample, I did a SC all the way around, putting three SCs into each corner. I then added a second border of HDC, all around, with three HDCs in each corner.

**Key:**

CH – chain

SC – single crochet

DC – double crochet

HDC - half double crochet

