

Bulky & Quick Alligator Blanket



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Supplies:

Yarn needed :

Bernat Softee Chunky- 100% Acrylic (108yds/99meters /3.5oz/100g)



*if substituting worsted weight yarn use 4 strands (double the yardage)

Preschool (child, adult): *Amounts for larger sizes will be written thus (). Amounts are the same otherwise for all sizes*

10 (13,17) skeins in Forest - Total yardage 1080 (1404, 1836)

Plus small amount of white and black for teeth and eyes

16mm Q Hook

9mm Crochet Hook (M-13)

Tapestry needle

Scissors

Measuring tape

Abbreviations:

Ch - Chain

St - Stitch

Sk - skip

Sts - Stitches

Sl St - Slip Stitch

Sp - Space

Sc - Single Crochet

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Sctog - Single Crochet Decrease

Hdc - Half Double Crochet

Hdctog - Half Double Crochet Decrease

Dc - Double Crochet

Magic Circle: See video tutorial <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3DWp7nVHRDo>

RS - Right side

Blo - Back Loop Only

Gauge:

You may need to adjust hook size to obtain correct gauge

4" equal to 6 stitches and 6 rows in sc

4" equal to 6 stitches and 4 rows in hdc

Finished Measurements:

Preschool (Child, Adult)

Width 27 (32, 40)"

Length

Head: 12 (16, 20)" Body: 24 (30, 36)" Tail: 20 (23, 26)"

Total

Head+Body = 36 (46, 56)" Entire Blanket 56 (69, 82)"



Modifications for Infant Sizes:

If desired by dropping hook and yarn size you can make infant sizes like my other Bulky & Quick Designs. I have not included yarn requirements or finished sizing with this pattern.

- Use a 9mm hook with 1 strand of super bulky yarn whenever the pattern states to use a Q hook with 2 strands of super bulky yarn.
- Use a 5.5 mm hook with 1 strand worsted weight whenever the pattern states to use a 9mm hook with 1 strand super bulky yarn.

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Instructions:

Blanket is made using 2 strands of super bulky yarn held together with a 16mm Q hook, chain is not included as a stitch. Number in parenthesis represent number of sts in row/round.

Preschool:

Row 1: Ch 10, sc in 2nd ch from hook and each ch across, turn. (9)

Row 2: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, 1 sc in each st across until 1 st remains, 2 sc in last st, turn. (11)

Row 3-4: Ch 1, 1 sc in each st across, turn. (11)

Row 5: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, 1 sc in each st across until 1 st remains, 2 sc in last st, turn. (13)

Row 6: Ch 1, 1 sc in each st across, turn. (13)

Row 7: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, 1 sc in each st across until 1 st remains, 2 sc in last st, turn. (15)

Row 8: Ch 1, 1 sc in each st across, turn. (15)

Row 9: Ch 1, sctog first 2 sts 1 sc in each st across until 2 sts remain, sctog, turn. (13)

Row 10: Ch 1, 1 sc in each st across, turn. (13)

Row 11: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, 1 sc in each st across until 1 st remains, 2 sc in last st, turn. (15)

Row 12-19: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, 1 sc in each st across until 1 st remains, 2 sc in last st, turn. (17-31)

This completes the head; the body is now worked in hdc

Row 20-31: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st across, turn (31)

All rows just completed will remain open and lay across the body. Join ends of Row 31 with a sl st. This begins the cocoon for calves and feet. Each round is turned to keep the texture of the blanket the same as rows.

Round 1: **Turn**, ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join to starting hdc, turn. (31)

Round 2: Ch 2, 2 hdc in first st, 1 hdc in each st around until 1 st remains, 2 hdc in last st, sl st to join, turn. (33)

Round 3: Ch 2, 2 hdc in first st, 1 hdc in each st around until 1 st remains, 2 hdc in last st, sl st to join, turn. (35)

Round 4: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join, turn. (35)

Round 5: Ch 2, *1 hdc in first 5 sts, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (30)

Round 6: Ch 2, * 1 hdc in first 8 sts, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (27)

Round 7: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join, turn. (27)

Round 8: Ch 2, * 1 hdc in first 7 sts, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (24)

Round 9: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join, turn. (24)

Round 10: Ch 2, * 1 hdc in first 6 sts, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (21)

Round 11: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join, turn. (21)

Round 12: Ch 2, * 1 hdc in first 5 sts, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (18)

Round 13: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join, turn. (18)



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Round 14: Ch 2, * 1 hdc in first 4 sts, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (15)

Round 15-21: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join, turn. (15)

Round 22: Ch 2, * 1 hdc in first 3 sts, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (12)

Round 23-28: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join, turn. (12)

Round 29: Ch 2, * 1 hdc in first st, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (8)

Round 30: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join, turn. (8)

Round 31: Ch 2, * 1 hdc in first 2 sts, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (6)

Round 32: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join, turn. (6)

Lay the blanket in half and sl st across to close up bottom of tail. Fasten off and weave in ends.

Child:

Row 1: Ch 13, sc in 2nd ch from hook and each ch across, turn. (12)

Row 2: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, 1 sc in each st across until 1 st remains, 2 sc in last st, turn. (14)

Row 3-5: Ch 1, 1 sc in each st across, turn. (14)

Row 6: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, 1 sc in each st across until 1 st remains, 2 sc in last st, turn. (16)

Row 7: Ch 1, 1 sc in each st across, turn. (16)

Row 8: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, 1 sc in each st across until 1 st remains, 2 sc in last st, turn. (18)

Row 9: Ch 1, 1 sc in each st across, turn. (18)

Row 10: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, 1 sc in each st across until 1 st remains, 2 sc in last st, turn. (20)

Row 11: Ch 1, 1 sc in each st across, turn. (20)

Row 12: Ch 1, sctog first 2 sts 1 sc in each st across until 2 sts remain, sctog, turn. (18)

Row 13-14: Ch 1, 1 sc in each st across, turn. (18)

Row 15: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, 1 sc in each st across until 1 st remains, 2 sc in last st, turn. (20)

Row 16: Ch 1, 1 sc in each st across, turn. (20)

Row 17-25: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, 1 sc in each st across until 1 st remains, 2 sc in last st, turn. (22-38)

This completes the head; the body is now worked in hdc

Row 26-40: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st across, turn (38)

All rows just completed will remain open and lay across the body. Join ends of Row 40 with a sl st. This begins the cocoon for calves and feet. Each round is turned to keep the texture of the blanket the same as rows.

Round 1: **Turn**, ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join to starting hdc, turn. (38)

Round 2: Ch 2, 2 hdc in first st, 1 hdc in each st around until 1 st remains, 2 hdc in last st, sl st to join, turn. (40)

Round 3: Ch 2, 2 hdc in first st, 1 hdc in each st around until 1 st remains, 2 hdc in last st, sl st to join, turn. (42)

Round 4-7: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join, turn. (42)

Round 8: Ch 2, *1 hdc in first 5 sts, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (36)

Round 9: Ch 2, * 1 hdc in first 7 sts, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (32)

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Round 10: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join, turn. (32)
Round 11: Ch 2, * 1 hdc in first 6 sts, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (28)
Round 12: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join, turn. (28)
Round 13: Ch 2, * 1 hdc in first 5 sts, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (24)
Round 14: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join, turn. (24)
Round 15: Ch 2, * 1 hdc in first 4 sts, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (20)
Round 16: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join, turn. (20)
Round 17: Ch 2, * 1 hdc in first 3 sts, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (16)
Round 18-26: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join, turn. (16)
Round 27: Ch 2, * 1 hdc in first 2 sts, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (12)
Round 28-34: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join, turn. (12)
Round 35: Ch 2, * 1 hdc in first st, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (8)
Round 36: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join, turn. (8)
Round 37: Ch 2, * 1 hdc in first 2 sts, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (6)
Round 38: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join, turn. (6)
Lay the blanket in half and sl st across to close up bottom of tail. Fasten off and weave in ends

Adult:

Row 1: Ch 17, sc in 2nd ch from hook and each ch across, turn. (16)
Row 2: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, 1 sc in each st across until 1 st remains, 2 sc in last st, turn. (18)
Row 3-6: Ch 1, 1 sc in each st across, turn. (18)
Row 7: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, 1 sc in each st across until 1 st remains, 2 sc in last st, turn. (20)
Row 8: Ch 1, 1 sc in each st across, turn. (20)
Row 9: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, 1 sc in each st across until 1 st remains, 2 sc in last st, turn. (22)
Row 10: Ch 1, 1 sc in each st across, turn. (22)
Row 11: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, 1 sc in each st across until 1 st remains, 2 sc in last st, turn. (24)
Row 12: Ch 1, 1 sc in each st across, turn. (24)
Row 13: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, 1 sc in each st across until 1 st remains, 2 sc in last st, turn. (26)
Row 14: Ch 1, 1 sc in each st across, turn. (26)
Row 15: Ch 1, sctog first 2 sts 1 sc in each st across until 2 sts remain, sctog, turn. (24)
Row 16-18: Ch 1, 1 sc in each st across, turn. (24)
Row 19: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, 1 sc in each st across until 1 st remains, 2 sc in last st, turn. (26)
Row 20: Ch 1, 1 sc in each st across, turn. (26)
Row 21-31: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, 1 sc in each st across until 1 st remains, 2 sc in last st, turn. (28-48)
This completes the head; the body is now worked in hdc
Row 32-49: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st across, turn (48)

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All rows just completed will remain open and lay across the body. Join ends of Row 49 with a sl st. This begins the cocoon for calves and feet. Each round is turned to keep the texture of the blanket the same as rows.

Round 1: **Turn**, ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join to starting hdc, turn. (48)

Round 2: Ch 2, 2 hdc in first st, 1 hdc in each st around until 1 st remains, 2 hdc in last st, sl st to join, turn. (50)

Round 3: Ch 2, 2 hdc in first st, 1 hdc in each st around until 1 st remains, 2 hdc in last st, sl st to join, turn. (52)

Round 4: Ch 2, 2 hdc in first st, 1 hdc in each st around until 1 st remains, 2 hdc in last st, sl st to join, turn. (54)

Round 5-10: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join, turn. (54)

Round 11: Ch 2, * 1 hdc in first 7 sts, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (48)

Round 12: Ch 2, * 1 hdc in first 6 sts, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (42)

Round 13: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join, turn. (42)

Round 14: Ch 2, * 1 hdc in first 5 sts, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (36)

Round 15: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join, turn. (36)

Round 16: Ch 2, * 1 hdc in first 4 sts, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (30)

Round 17: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join, turn. (30)

Round 18: Ch 2, * 1 hdc in first 3 sts, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (24)

Round 19: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join, turn. (24)

Round 20: Ch 2, * 1 hdc in first 4 sts, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (20)

Round 21: Ch 2, * 1 hdc in first 3 sts, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (16)

Round 22-31: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join, turn. (16)

Round 32: Ch 2, * 1 hdc in first 2 sts, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (12)

Round 33-40: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join, turn. (12)

Round 41: Ch 2, * 1 hdc in first st, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (8)

Round 42: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join, turn. (8)

Round 43: Ch 2, * 1 hdc in first 2 sts, hdctog next 2 sts, repeat from * around, sl st to join, turn. (6)

Round 44: Ch 2, 1 hdc in each st around, sl st to join, turn. (6)

Lay the blanket in half and sl st across to close up bottom of tail. Fasten off and weave in ends

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Edging: Using 2 strands super bulky yarn with a 16mm Q hook

Join 2 strands of super bulky yarn at the top of the cocoon with a sl st. Sc around entire edge. Slip stitch to starting sc to join. Fasten off and weave in ends.

Teeth: Using 1 strand bulky yarn with a 9mm crochet hook

With RS facing, join white yarn to last row of sc (head section) with a sl st. Working in the Back Loop Only (blo) sc along edge until reaching the indented section of mouth then *ch3, sl st in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next ch, sc in the blo next 3 sts along mouth, repeat from * around until you reach opposite side of indented section of mouth. Finish by adding 1 sc in each st until you reach the end of sc rows (head section). Fasten off and weave in ends.



Eyes - All sizes

Eye Lid: Make 2

Using 2 strands of super bulky yarn in forest and a 16mm Q hook

Row 1: Magic circle, ch 2, 6 hdc in ring, pull ring tight (don't join), turn. (6)

Row 2: Ch 2, 2 hdc in each st across, turn. (12)

Row 3: Ch 1 1 sc in each st across. (12) Fasten off leaving a tail for sewing



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Eye ball: Make 2

Using 1 strand super bulky yarn and 9mm hook, starting with black

Round 1: Magic circle, ch 1, 6 sc in ring, pull ring tight, change to white, sl st to starting sc to join. (6)

Round 2: Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around, sl st to starting sc to join. (12)

Round 3: Ch 1, 1 sc in each st around, sl st to starting sc to join. (12) Fasten off leaving a tail to sew.

Sew eyeball to inside of green eye lid. Sew eyes to gator as shown in pic stay within the rows of sc.



Spikes: Make 3 - Preschool (child, adult)

Using 1 strand of Super Bulky yarn in Forest and 9mm hook

Loosely chain the length of body and tail

76 (92, 108) chains - 44 (53, 62)''

R1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook and each ch across, turn. 75 (91, 107)

R2: Ch3, sl st in first ch, sc in next ch, sk next st, 1 sc in next st (along base), *ch3, sl st in first ch, sc in next ch, sk next st, 1 sc next, repeat from * across. Fasten off leaving a long tail twice the length of spikes for sewing. Spikes made 38 (45, 52)

Fold gator in half and sew the first spike down the centre. *Tip: Clip spike to bottom of tail and begin sewing at head.

Line up the other 2 spikes on the outside curves of gator and sew to body. Join each spike at the end of tail to form a tip. See pics below



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Right Legs: Make 2 - **starting chain leave a long enough tail for sewing leg to blanket*
Using 2 strands of super bulky yarn in forest and a 16mm Q hook

Arm

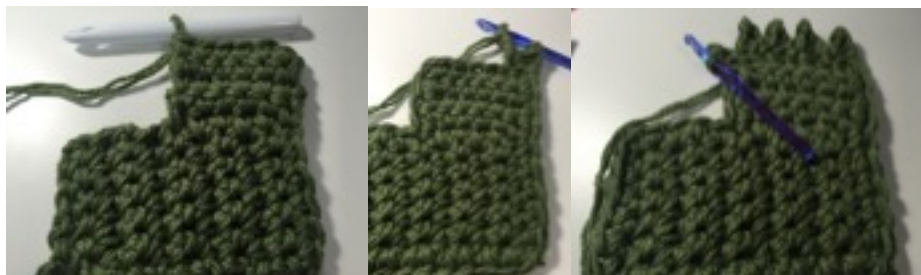
Row 1: Ch 6 (7,8) 1 sc in 2nd ch from hook and each ch across, turn. 5 (6, 7)

Row 2-8 (10,12): Ch 1, 1 sc in each st across, turn. 5 (6, 7) Final row don't turn

Claw

Row 1: Add an additional sc in final stitch turning down corner 1 sc in next 4 (5,6) spaces. turn. 5 (6,7)

Row 2-5 (5,7): Ch 1, 1 sc in each st across, turn. 5 (6,7) Final row don't turn, add an additional sc in final st, and sc down side, sl st in elbow corner, continue around adding 2 sc in corners. when you reach the final row change to 9mm crochet hook to form claws. *Ch4, sl st in first ch, sc next ch, hdc in last ch, sc to base, repeat from * across evenly spacing 5 claws. Fasten off and weave in ends.



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Left Legs: Make 2

Follow directions for right leg at final Claw row 5/7 turn and change to 9mm crochet hook.

*Ch4, sl st in first ch, sc next ch, hdc in last ch, sc to base, repeat from * across evenly spacing 5 claws. Change back to Q hook. Sc around adding 2 sc in corners and sl st to inside elbow. Fasten off and weave in ends.

Sew front legs below head at start of spikes. Back legs sew just above tail where the body narrows. See pics. The bulky design allows for easy shaping when modelling!



Thank you for your purchase! I hope you enjoy this fun design!

Warmest Regards,
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Designer & founder

