CROCHET
SKILL LEVEL
EXPERIENCED

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What you will need:

RED HEART® Soft Baby Steps®:
7 balls 9401 Elephant

Susan Bates® Crochet Hook:
6mm [US J-10]

Yarn needle

GAUGE: 14 sc = 4" [10 cm];
18 rows = 4" [10 cm] in Center
Panel Stitch. **CHECK YOUR
GAUGE. Use any size hook to
obtain the gauge.**

4 MEDIUM

**RED HEART® Soft
Baby Steps®**, Art. E746
available in solid color
5 oz (141 g), 256 yd (234 m);
prints 4 oz (113 g), 204 yd
(187 m) balls

SHOP KIT

Cable Your Love Blanket

*Crochet a beautifully textured cable blanket to
welcome baby! Use any solid color so that the
stitch patterns can be seen easily and appreciated.*

Blanket measures 32" [79 cm] wide x 35"
[89 cm] long.

NOTE
1. Blanket is worked in three panels then
   seamed together. A border is worked
   along outside edges of seamed center
   piece.
2. Previous row is the row just before the
   one being worked. Row below is the one
   below that.
3. Single crochet in each st across all wrong
   side rows, working in tops of post sts and
   skipping skipped sts. Count stitches after
   wrong side row is complete to keep track
   of stitch count.
4. When beginning cables, hold ch-spaces
   to wrong side of work and work in
   skipped sts of row below.

SPECIAL ABBREVIATIONS
Fpdc: (front post double crochet) Yo, insert
hook from front to back then to front, going
around post of indicated st, draw up a loop,
[yo and draw through 2 loops on hook]
twice. Skip st behind the Fpdc.
Fptr: (front post treble crochet) [Yo] twice,
insert hook from front to back then to front,
going around post of indicated st, draw up
a loop, [yo and draw through 2 loops on
hook] 3 times. Skip st behind the Fptr.
Lsc: (long single crochet) Insert hook in
indicated st in row below previous row, yo
and pull up loop to level of current row, yo
and pull through 2 loops.

BLANKET
CENTER PANEL
Ch 35.
Row 1 (Right Side): Sc in 2nd ch from hook
and each ch across – 34 sts.
Row 2: Ch 1, turn, sc in next 3 sts,*ch 1, skip
next sc, sc in next 2 sts; repeat from * across
to last st, sc in last st.
Row 3: Ch 1, turn, sc in next 3 sts, *sc in ch-1
space, working in front of and below ch-
space, dc in skipped sc in row below (counts
as post st here and throughout), dc in next
skipped sc in row below, skip 2 sc behind 2
dc just worked, sc in next ch-1 space, sc in
next 2 sc; repeat from * to last st, sc in last st.
Row 4 and All Wrong Side Rows: Ch 1, turn,
sc in each st across, working in tops of post
sts and skipping skipped sts – 34 sts.
Row 5: Ch 1, turn, sc in next 3 sts, *skip next
post st in row below, FPtr around next post
st in row below, skip next sc, sc in next 2
sc, working in front of FPtr just made, FPtr
around skipped post st, skip next st, sc in
next 2 sts; repeat from *, sc in last st .
Row 7: Ch 1, turn, sc in next 2 sts, FPdc
around first post st in row below, skip next
st, *sc in next 4 sts, FPdc around next post
in row below, FPdc around next post, skip
2 sts; repeat from * across to last 2 sts, sc in
last 2 sts.

Row 9: Ch 1, turn, sc in first 3 sts, FPdc around first post st in row below, skip next st, *sc in next 2 sts, skip next post st in row below, FPtr around next post st, skip next st, sc in next 2 sts, working in front of last post st, FPtr around skipped post st, skip next st; repeat from * to last 6 sts, sc in next 2 sts, FPdc around last post st in row below, skip next st, sc in last 3 sts.

Row 11: Ch 1, turn, sc in next 4 sts, *FPdc in first post st in row below, FPdc in next post st in row below, skip 2 sts, sc in next 4 sts; repeat from * across.

Repeat Rows 4-11 until piece measures 32" [81 cm] from beginning, end with a wrong side row. Fasten off.

SIDE PANELS (Make 2)
Ch 39.
Row 1 (Right Side): Sc in 2nd ch from hook and each ch across – 38 sts.
Row 2: Ch 1, turn, sc in first 2 sts, ch 4, skip 4 sts, sc in next st, ch 4, skip next 4 sts, sc in next st, ch 2, skip 2 sts, sc in next 3 sts, ch 4, skip 4 sts, sc in next 3 sts, ch 2, skip 2 sts, sc in next st, ch 4, skip 4 st, sc in next st, ch 4, skip 4 sts, sc in last 2 sts.
Row 3: Ch 1, turn, sc in first 2 sts, *skip all ch-spaces and hold to wrong side of work, skip first 2 skipped sc of row below, dc in next 2 skipped sc, working in front of dcs just made, dc in first 2 skipped sc, sc in next sc, skip first 2 skipped sc of row below, dc in next 2 skipped sc, working in back of dcs just made, dc in first 2 skipped sc, sc in next sc, dc in next 2 skipped sc in row below, sc in next 3 sc, dc in next skipped sc in row below, skip next sc, tr in next skipped sc

in row below (counts as post st here and throughout), working in front of tr just made, tr in skipped sc, dc in next skipped sc, sc in next 3 sc, dc in next 2 skipped sc in row below, skip first 2 skipped sc of row below, dc in next 2 skipped sc, working in front of dcs just made, dc in first 2 skipped sc, sc in next sc, skip first 2 skipped sc of row below, dc in next 2 skipped sc, working in back of dcs just made, dc in first 2 skipped sc, sc in last 2 sc.
Row 4 and All Wrong Side Rows: Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across, working in tops of post sts and skipping skipped sts – 38 sts.
Row 5: Ch 1, turn, sc in first 2 sc, FPdc around next 4 post sts in row below, skip 4 sc, sc in next sc, FPdc around next 4 post sts in row below, skip 4 sc, sc in next sc, FPdc in next 2 post sts in row below, skip 2 sc, sc in next sc, FPdc around next 2 post sts, skip 2 sc, sc in next 4 sc, FPdc around next 2 post sts, skip 2 sc, sc in next sc, FPdc around next 2 post sts in row below, skip 2 sc, sc in next sc , FPdc around next 4 post sts in row below, skip 4 sc, sc in next sc, FPdc around next 4 post sts in row below, skip 4 sc, sc in last 2 sc.
Row 7: Ch 1, turn, sc in first 2 sc, skip 2 post sts in row below, FPdc around next 2 post sts in row below, working in front of sts just made, FPdc around 2 skipped post sts, skip 4 sc, sc in next sc, skip 2 post sts in row below, FPdc in next 2 post sts in row below, working in back of sts just made, FPdc around skipped post sts, skip 4 sc, sc in next sc, FPdc around next 2 post sts in row below, skip 2 sc, sc in next 3 sc, FPdc around next post st in row below, skip next post st, FPtr in next post st in row below, working in front of st just made, FPtr around skipped post st, FPdc around next post st, skip 4 sc,

sc in next 3 sc, FPdc around next 2 post sts in row below, skip 2 sc, sc in next sc, skip 2 post sts in row below, FPdc around next 2 post sts in row below, working in front of sts just made, FPdc around 2 skipped post sts, skip 4 sc, sc in next sc, skip 2 post sts in row below, FPdc in next 2 post sts in row below, working in back of sts just made, FPdc around skipped post sts, skip 4 sc, sc in last 2 sts.

Repeat Rows 4-7 until piece measures 32" [81 cm] from beginning, end with a wrong side row. Fasten off.

FINISHING
With wrong side together, hold long edge of one Side Panel with one long edge of Center Panel, join yarn at one corner and working through both layers, sc evenly spaced along long edges to join panels together. Fasten off. Repeat to join second Side Panel along opposite long edge of Center Panel.

Border
Round 1 (Right Side): Join yarn in any corner, ch 1, [work 3 sc in corner, sc evenly spaced along edge to next corner] 4 times, slip st in first sc to join.
Round 2: Ch 1, turn, *[sc in next st, ch 1, skip next st] to center sc of 3-sc corner, work 3 sc in center sc; repeat from * around, slip st in first sc to join.
Round 3: Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc and Lsc in each skipped st in row below ch-1-space around, working 3 sc in center sc in each corner; slip st in first sc.
Rounds 4-7: Repeat Rounds 2-3 twice.
Fasten off.
Weave in ends.

Abbreviations
ch = chain; **cm** = centimeters; **dc** = double crochet; **mm** = millimeters; **sc** = single crochet; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **tr** = triple or treble crochet; **yo** = yarn over; **[ ]** = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; *** or **** = repeat whatever follows the * or ** as indicated.