

# Knotted Up In String Crochet and Quilts

## The Bee's Knees Baby Blanket

Alternating stipes of gold, silver, and white evoke feelings of the roaring twenties. Add that to scrumptious textured stitches make this adorable baby blanket the bee's knees!



### Materials

- Worsted Weight/Aran Yarn in Gold (12 oz), Silver (4 oz), and White (4 oz) (I used Stylecraft Aran)
- Size 1/9 - 5.25mm Hook
- Yarn Needle
- Scissors

### Gauge and Size

4" x 4" = 12dc x ~7 rows

### Experience Level

Easy - Pattern is worked in repeating rows that include double crochet, puffs, and clusters.

### Notes

- This pattern is written in US terms.
- All ch 2 and ch 3 count as hdc and dc.
- Always skip the first stitch in a new row.

### Special Stitches

- Foundation Double Crochet (fdc) - ch 3, yo and insert hook into back loop and back bar of first ch, yo and draw up a loop, yo and draw through one loop (this is the foundation stitch of your fcd), yo and draw through two loops, yo and draw through remaining two loops. One fdc made. \*Yo and insert hook into back loop and back bar of the foundation stitch, yo and draw up a loop, yo and draw through one loop, yo and draw through two loops, yo and draw through

- remaining two loops.\* Repeat until fdc row is desired length.
- Crossed Double Crochet (cdc) - skip the first stitch, double crochet in the next stitch, double crochet in the skipped stitch.
- Cluster Stitch (cs) - \*yo, insert hook into designated stitch and draw up a loop, yo and draw through two loops,\* three times (four loops on hook), yo and pull through all loops on hook. Ch 1 to secure.
- Puff Stitch (ps) - \*yo, insert hook into designated stitch and draw up a loop\* three times (seven loops on hook), yo and pull through all loops on hook. Ch 1 to secure.
- 5 Cluster Stitch (5cl) - \*yo, insert hook into designated stitch and draw up a loop, yo and draw through two loops,\* five times (six loops on hook), yo and pull through all loops on hook. Ch 1 to secure.

### Pattern

Row 1: In white, work an even number of fdc until row is desired length (I crocheted 104). Ch 3, turn.

Alternate Row 1: ch an even number of stitches until chain is desired length (to equal my length, ch 106), dc in fourth chain from hook and in each across. Ch 3, turn.

Row 2: (as indicated in notes, ch 3 counts as first dc and skip first stitch) Work cdc across, dc in last stitch. Ch 3, turn.

Row 3: dc in each stitch across. Ch 3, turn. Change color to gold.

Row 4: \*cs in next stitch, skip one stitch\* across. dc in top of ch 3. Ch 2, turn.

Row 5: ps in space between first dc and cs, ps in each space between cs across, hdc in top of ch 3. Ch 3, turn.

Row 6: cs in space between dc and ps, cs in each space between ps, dc in top of ch 2. Ch 3, turn. Change color to silver.

Rows 7-9: repeat rows 1-3. Change color to gold.

Rows 10-12: repeat rows 4-6. Change color to white.

Repeat rows 1-12 until piece is desired length.

### Border

Round 1: In gold with right side facing you, work hdc evenly around all sides, three hdc in each corner, join with a sl.

Round 2: Ch 3, \*5cl in next stitch, sl st in next three stitches,\* repeat around. Sl st to join and fasten off.

Weave in all ends.