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## Two-tone blanket

**Measurements:** approx 69 x 90cm.

**Skill Level:** intermediate

**How much yarn:** 4 balls (each ball 50g and 200m) of Vip yarn (80% Extrafine Merino Wool, 20% Cashmere) for each of the following shades: pink no. 10054 and white shade no. 10001

**Hooks:** A 3.00mm crochet hook. A 2.00 mm crochet hook

**Sewing needle:** Yarn needle with rounded point

### STITCHES

**Using hook:** chain (ch) - Slip stitch (ss)

Double crochet (dc) - Treble (tr) - PUFF STITCH: ch3 (only for first puff st at beg of the row), (yarn on hook, insert hook into st or ch of previous row, yarn on hook and draw a loop, elongate loop until reaching 3ch height) 4 times, yarn on hook and draw yarn through all loops, yarn on hook and ch1 to close puff stitch too.

PUFF PATTERN:

(worked over a multiple of 8 sts plus 4 sts plus 1 st)

**1st row:** using colour no. 10001 work 7 tr into 5th ch from hook, \* miss 3 ch, 1 dc into next ch, miss 3 ch, 7 tr into next ch; rep from \* ending with 4 tr instead of 7 into last ch, ch1, cut the thread, tightening the chain well (the last chain will only serve to better secure the closure of the work). DO NOT TURN the work. The next row begins in the same point where the 1st row began. **2nd row:** using colour no. 10054 into ch before first tr of previous row, work ch3 (= 1st tr) and 1 puff st into same place, next st, \* ch5, (1 puff st, ch1 and 1 puff st) into st corresponding to 1 dc but of beginning chain; rep from \* ending with ch3 and 1 dc into last tr of row, ch1, cut the thread, tightening the chain well. DO NOT TURN the work. The next row begins in the same point where the 2nd row began. **3rd row:** using colour no. 10001 into closure of first puff st on previous row, work ch3 (= 1 tr) and 3 tr into next dc, \* 1 dc into center ch of next space, 7 tr into 1ch-sp between next 2 puff stitches; rep from \* ending with 1 dc into last st of the row, ch1, cut the thread, tightening the chain well. DO NOT TURN the work. The next row begins in the same point where the 3rd row began. **4th row:** using colour no. 10054 work 1 dc into 3rd ch at beg of previous row, ch3, \* (1 puff st, ch1 and 1 puff st) into centre tr of 7tr-shell on 1st row, ch5; rep from \* ending row with 1 puff st, ch3 and 1 dc into last tr on 1st row, ch1, cut the thread, tightening the chain well. DO NOT TURN the work. The next row begins in the same point where the 4th row began. **5th row:** using colour no. 10001 join yarn with into first dc, ch1 (= 1 dc), \* 7 tr into 1ch-sp between next 2 puff stitches, 1 dc into center ch of next space; rep from \* ending with 4 tr into last puff st of the row, ch1, cut the thread, tightening the chain well. DO NOT TURN the work. The next row begins in the same point where the 5th row began. **6th row:** using colour no. 10054 work into first tr of previous row, ch3 (= 1 tr) and 1 puff st, \* ch5, (1 puff st, ch1 and 1 puff st) into centre tr of 7tr-shell on 3rd row; rep from \* ending row with ch3 and 1 dc into last tr, ch1, cut the thread, tightening the chain well. DO NOT TURN the work. The next row begins in the same point where the 6th row began. Rep from 3rd to 6th row throughout.

### TENSION

22 sts measure approx 10cm over Puff patt with 3.00 mm hook.

### INSTRUCTIONS

With 3.00 mm hook and yarn shade no. 10001 ch 156 plus 1 and work Puff pattern. When Blanket measures approx 90cm from beg and last row of patt rep have been completed, cut yarn and fasten off. **Finishing border:** with 2.00 mm hook an yarn shade no. 10001, work as follows: **1st round:** starting from 2nd st on last row of Blanket ch1 to join yarn, 1 dc into st, 1 dc into 2nd tr of shell on last but one row, 1 dc into next ch, \* 1 dc into next puff st, 1 dc into next 1ch-sp, 1 dc into following puff st, 1 dc into into first ch of next 5ch-sp, 1 dc into 3rd, 4th and 5th sts of shell on last but one row (in order to strengthen the shell edge), 1dc into last ch of same 5ch-sp; rep from \* along this first side and work 3 dc into corner st. (**Note:** the number of stitches obtained on each side must be a multiple of 8). Continue to work in dc on next left side, covering and hiding all the cut yarns, work 3 dc into next corner st, continue in dc (always multiple of 8) on opposite side of starting ch, 3 dc into next corner st, work right side as given for first side, ending with 3 dc into 4th corner and 1 ss into first dc. **2nd round:** ch1 (corresponding to 1st dc), \* work as follows: \*\* miss 3 sts, 7 tr into next st, miss 3 sts, 1 dc into next st \*\*, rep from \*\* to \*\* along all side, work into 3 corner sts as follows: miss first st, 7 tr into center st, miss 3rd corner st and work 1 dc at beg of next side \*, rep from \* 3 more times omitting last dc at end of last rep and ending with 1 ss into first ch as dc. Fasten off. If it's the case, cut any yarn ends remained along sides.

## Shaded coat

**Size:** to fit 9 (12-18-24) months - **Skill Level:** intermediate

**Note:** figures in brackets ( ) refer to larger sizes. Where only one figure is given this refers to all sizes.

**How much yarn:** 4 balls (each ball 50g and 233m) of Perlata D'Australia yarn (100% Fine Pure Merino Wool) for each of the following shades: denim no. 13250 and grey no. 12504

**Needles:** A pair of 5.00mm knitting needles or (optional) a 5.00mm circular needle 60cm long. A spare needle

**Sewing needle:** Yarn needle with rounded point

**Other items:** 4 stitch-markers in fuchsia and 4 in blue. 5 stitch-holders. 8 nacre buttons

### STITCHES

**Using needles:** GARTER STITCH (G ST): all rows K.

SELVEDGE STITCHES: (worked over 2 sts at the beg and at the end of each row) at beg of each RS (right side) row, slip first 2 sts from left to right needle keeping yarn backside ; at end of each RS row, slip the last but one st knit-ways keeping yarn backside and purl last st. At beg of each WS (wrong side) row, slip first st from left to right needle keeping yarn backside and purl second stitch; at end of each WS row purl last 2 sts.

MAKE 1: (make one st = with tip of needle, lift strand between last st knit and next st on left-hand needle and knit into back of it to increase one stitch)



## INSTRUCTIONS

**Note:** change colours every 7.5 (8.5-9-9.5)cm as follows: in the first change continue to work using 2 strands in grey no. 12504 and 1 strand in denim no. 13250, in the second change cont to work using 1 strand in grey no. 12504 and 2 strands in denim no. 13250, in the third change continue using 3 strands in denim no. 13250. During instructions, the colour change will not be mentioned again. The coat is worked top-down, in one piece, from neck-edge to bodice end. Then the Sleeves, the Back and the Left and Right Fronts are worked separately. The rows start and end at center of Front. With 5.00 mm needles or 5.00 mm circular needle (the circular needle is not used to work in the round but will only serve to work a very high number of stitches more easily) and 3 strands of grey yarn no. 12504 cast on 59 (62-66-68) sts. Place stitch-holders to divide the sts of the first half of the Front, the first Sleeve, the Back, the second Sleeve and the second half of the Front, all separated by 2 sts indicating the raglan lines, working as follows: place the first blue stitch marker after the 13th (14th-15th-15th) st for the first half of the Front, place a fuchsia stitch marker after 2 sts (the 2 sts between the markers indicate the first raglan line), place the second blue stitch marker after another 5 (5-6-6) sts for the first Sleeve, a fuchsia stitch marker after another 2 sts (the 2 sts between the markers indicate the second raglan line), a blue stitch marker after another 15 (16-16-18) sts for the Back, a fuchsia stitch marker after another 2 sts (the 2 sts between the stitch markers indicate the line of the third raglan), a blue stitch marker after another 5 (5-6-6) sts for the second Sleeve, a fuchsia stitch marker after another 2 sts (the 2 sts between the stitch markers indicate the line of the fourth raglan), finally 13 (14-15-15) sts remain for the second half of the Front. Cont to work in garter st, with 2 selvedge sts at each side, as given before. At the same time, make 1 st at both sides of 2 sts of each raglan on next and every alternate row 18 (20-22-22) times and, during working 3rd row, make first couple of buttonholes as follows: 2 selvedge sts, K2tog, yarn forward (yfd), K3(3-4-4), K2tog, yfd. Then work other 3 couples of buttonholes, approx 20 rows spaced from each other. When work measures 11 (12-13-13)cm from beg, corresponding to 36 (40-44-44) rows, place the first 32 (35-38-38) sts of first half of Front on a stitch-holder, the next 43 (47-52-52) sts of first Sleeve on another stitch-holder and work only on following 53 (58-62-64) sts of Back, placing on other stitch-holders the sts of second Sleeve and the sts of other half of Front.

**Back:** work 6 (8-8-10) rows in garter st on 53 (58-62-64) sts of Back, then leave all sts on a stitch-holder.

**Second Sleeve:** cast on 3 sts, pick up and K3 (4-4-5) sts along side of last 6 (8-8-10) Back rows, K 43 (47-52-52) sts of Second Sleeve and cast on 3 new sts: there are 52 (57-62-63) sts. Work in garter st (leaving on stitch-holder the sts of other half of Front) and dec 1 st (dec=K2tog) at each end of Sleeve, inside first and last 2 sts, on next and every following 10th row 6 (7-8-8) times. When Sleeve measures 20 (23-25-26) from beg, corresponding to 66(76-82-86)cm, cast off rem 40 (43-46-47) sts. **First Sleeve:** K 43 (47- 52 - 52) sts of First Sleeve and work as given for Second Sleeve, in mirrored shape.

**Back and Front:** put onto a needle from stitch-holder the 32 (35-38-38) sts of first half of Front, pick up 3 sts over first and last 3 new cast-on sts for Sleeve, put onto this needle from stitch-holder the 53 (58-62-64) sts of Back, pick up 3 sts over first and last 3 new cast-on sts for other Sleeve, put onto this needle from stitch-holder the 32 (35-38-38) sts of second half of Front: there are 129 (140-150-152) sts. Cont to work in garter st with 2 selvedge sts at each end. When 72 (82-88-92) rows of Back-and-Front have been worked, corresponding to 22 (25-27-28)cm, cast off all sts.

**Hood:** with 5.00 mm needles or 5.00 mm circular needle and 3 strands of grey yarn no. 12504 pick up 59 (62-66-68) sts on opposite side of Coat cast-on sts. Work in garter st but work 2 selvedge sts at beg and end of each row, as given before. Across 3rd row increase as follows: 2 selvedge sts, K1, make 1, \* K3, make 1; rep from \* ending with 2 selvedge sts (2 selvedge sts - K1 and 2 selvedge sts-2 selvedge sts). When Hood measures 22 (23-24-25)cm, corresponding to 74 (76-80- 82) rows, divide sts in the middle, place a half of sts on a needle and other half of another needle, holding these two needles with RS towards each other. Use a third needle and knit 1 st on each needle together, knit two more together and then slip 1st st over the next. Repeat knitting 2 tog and then cast off.

## FINISHING

Sew sleeve seams, considering that the last 5cm will be turned RS out. Sew buttons on Left Front, to correspond buttonholes.

## Lace blanket

**Measurements:** 70x90cm including finishing borders.

**Skill Level:** intermediate

**How much yarn:** Baby Soft yarn (100% Extrafine Merino Wool Machine Washable - Processed with Aloe Vera) which 7 balls (each ball 50g and 170m) shade no. 9412 and 1 ball no. 10001. 1 ball (each ball 50g and 233m) of Perlata D'australia yarn (100% Fine Pure Merino Wool) shade no. 8000

**Hooks:** A 3.00mm crochet hook. A 3.75mm crochet hook

**Sewing needle:** Yarn needle with rounded point

**Other items:** Knitting mill. 2 beads

## STITCHES

**Using hook:** chain (ch) - Slip stitch (ss)

Double crochet (dc) - Half treble (htr) - Treble (tr)

BACK POST DOUBLE CROCHET (BPDC): insert hook around stem of dc from back to front, yarn on hook and pull through a loop, yarn on hook and pull through two loops on hook.

WAVE STITCH: (worked over a multiple of 9 sts plus 7 sts)

**1st row:** ch3 (= 1st tr), 1 tr into each st, turn. **2nd row:** ch1 (= 1st dc), 1 dc into next st, \* ch4, miss 3 tr, 1 dc into next tr, ch5, miss 4 tr, 1 dc into next st; rep from \* until last 5 sts, end with ch4, miss 3 tr, 1 dc into next st and 1 dc into 3rd of 3 ch at beg of previous row, turn. **3rd row:** ch4 (= 1 tr and 1 ch) and 1 tr into next dc, \* 1 dc into following 4ch-sp, 9 tr into next 5ch-sp; rep from \* ending with 1 dc into



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last 4ch-sp, 1 tr into next dc and 1 tr into 1ch (= 1 dc) at beg of previous row. **4th row:** ch4 (= 1 tr and 1 ch), miss next 2 sts (= 1 dc and 1 tr), \* (1 tr into next tr, 1 ch) 6 times, 1 tr into next tr, miss 3 sts (= 1 tr, 1 dc and next tr); rep from \* ending with ch1 and 1 tr into 3rd of 3 ch at beg of previous row, turn. **5th row:** ch6 (corresponding to 1 tr and 3ch), miss two 1ch-spaces, \* (1 dc into next 1ch-sp, ch3) 4 times, miss two 1ch-spaces; rep from \* ending with 1 tr into 3rd of 3 ch at beg of previous row, turn. **6th row:** ch3 (= 1st tr) 4 tr into next 3ch-sp, \* 2 tr into each of next three 3ch-spaces, 3 tr into following 3ch-sp; rep from \* ending with 4 tr into last 3ch-sp and 1 tr into 3rd of 3 ch at beg of previous row, turn. Rep these 6 rows throughout. PICOT: ch3 and 1ss into st of previous round.

## TENSION

25 sts measure approx 10cm over Wave stitch with 3.75 mm hook and Baby Soft yarn.

## INSTRUCTIONS

With 3.75 mm hook and Baby Soft yarn shade no. 9412 ch24 plus 3 turning ch. **1st row:** 1 tr into 5th from hook, 1 tr into each of next 122 ch, turn. There are 124 tr. Cont to work in Wave stitch. When Blanket measures approx 70cm from beg, after repeat of 1st Wave st row, work all around Blanket as follows. **Finishing border:** change hook and with 3.00 mm hook work a multiple of 9 sts plus 1 st across each side and 1 corner st on each of 4 corners. **1st round:** ch1 (corresponding to 1st dc), \* work dc until to next corner, 3 dc into corner st; rep from \* twice, work dc until last corner and in last st (the st at base of first ch) work 2 dc, end with 1 ss into first ch. There are a multiple of 9 sts plus 3 sts across each side and 1 corner st on each of 4 corners. Change hook and continue with 3.75 mm hook. **2nd and 3rd rounds:** ch3 (corresponding to 1st tr), \* work 1 tr into each tr but 5 tr into centre tr on each corner; end each round with 1 ss into 3rd of first 3 ch. **4th round:** ch1 (corresponding to 1st dc), \* work as follows: \*\* ch5, miss 4 tr, 1 dc into next tr, ch4, miss 3 tr, 1 dc into next tr \*\*, rep from \*\* to \*\* until next corner omitting last dc of last rep and working (1 dc, ch5, 1 dc) into corner dc, ch4, miss 3 tr, 1 dc into next tr; rep from \* 3 more times omitting last 4ch-sp and 1 dc at end of last rep; end with ch2 and 1 tr into first ch. **Note:** if during the working of the round the sts of the multiple are not correct, skip a few sts more or less between one space and the other, in order to obtain the correct multiple; the working will not undergo evident changes. **5th round:** ch1 (corresponding to 1st dc), \* work 9 tr into next sp, 1 dc into following sp; rep from \* all round, but work 13 tr into each corner sp. Omit last dc at end of last rep and end with a ss into beg chain. **6th round:** ss until 2nd tr of first 9 tr group, ch 4 (corresponding to 1 tr and 1 ch), (1 tr into next tr, ch1) 5 times, 1 tr into next tr, \* work as follows: \*\* miss 3 sts (= 1 tr, 1 dc and next tr), (1 tr into next tr, ch1) 6 times, 1 tr into next tr \*\*, rep from \*\* to \*\* until to next 13 tr-corner group, miss first tr of 13 tr-group, (1 tr into next tr, ch1) 10 times, 1 tr into next tr; rep from \* 3 more times ending with 1 ss into 3rd of first 4 ch. **7th round:** ss until 2nd ch1-sp, 1 dc into this space; \* work as follows: (ch3, 1 dc into next ch1-sp) 3 times, ch3, miss

two ch1-spaces, 1 dc into next ch1-sp \*\*, rep from \*\* to \*\* across side, working last dc of last rep into 2nd ch1-sp of corner group, (ch3, 1 dc into next ch1-corner sp) 7 times, ch3, miss two ch1-spaces, 1 dc into next ch1-sp; rep from \* 3 more times omitting last dc of last rep and ending with 1 ss into first ch. **8th round:** 1 ss into first st, \* work as follows: \*\* 2 tr into each of next four 3ch-spaces (ch3 = first tr of round), 3 tr into next 3ch-sp \*\* rep from \*\* to \*\* across side, 2 tr into each of first three 3ch-spaces of corner motif, (2 tr, ch1 and 2 tr) into center corner sp, 2 tr into each of next three 3ch-spaces of corner motif; rep from \* 3 more times ending with 1 ss into 3rd of first 3 ch.

**9th round:** ch3 (corresponding to 1st tr), 1 tr into each tr and 5 tr into each 1ch-corner space; end with a ss into 3rd of first 3 ch. **10th round:** ch1 (corresponding to 1st dc), \* work as follows: \*\* ch5, miss 4 tr, 1 dc into next tr, ch4, miss 3 tr, 1 dc into next tr \*\*, rep from \*\* to \*\* until next corner, working last dc of last rep into 2nd tr of 5tr-corner group, ch5, miss corner tr, 1 dc into next tr, ch4, miss 3 tr, 1 dc into next tr, rep from \*\* to \*\* once; rep from \* 3 more times omitting last 4ch-sp and dc and ending with ch2 and 1 tr into 1st ch. Rep 5th and 6th rounds, then rep 7th round but working with colour no. 10001. Fasten off.

**Cords (make 2):** with Perlata D'Australia yarn and knitting mill, make two cords approx 180cm each long. Insert cords, taking and missing 3 sts, through the trebles of the 2nd round of the finishing border, inserting a cord along two near sides (a longer side and a shorter side) and other cord along two rem sides. Knot cord ends, creating a bow on two opposite corners.

**Irish rose: 1st round:** with 3.75 mm hook and Baby Soft yarn. colour no. 9412 make a magic ring. Into this ring ch1 and 10 dc, end with a ss into first st. **2nd round:** ch3 (corresponding to 1st dc and 2 ch), \* 3 tr into next dc, ch2, 1 dc into next dc, ch2; rep from \* 3 more times, 3 tr into next dc, ch2, end with a ss into first ch. **3rd round:** ch1, turn work, 1 BPdc into corresponding dc of 1st round, ch4, miss 1 dc, \* 1 BPdc into next dc of 1st round, ch4, miss 1 dc; rep from \* 3 more times ending with a ss into first dc. Turn work. **4th round:** ch1 (= 1st dc), \* 6 tr into next 4ch-sp, 1 dc into next dc; rep from \* all round omitting last dc at end of last rep and ending with a ss into first ch. **5th round:** ch1, turn work, 1 BPdc into corresponding dc of 3rd round, ch6, \* 1 BPdc into next dc of 3rd round, ch6; rep from \* 3 more times ending with a ss into first dc. Fasten off. Turn work. **6th round:** with Baby Soft yarn colour no. 10001 ch1 (= 1st dc) into first dc, \* (5 tr, 1 picot, 5 tr) into next 6ch-sp, 1 dc into next dc; rep from \* all round omitting last dc at end of last rep and ending with a ss into first ch. Fasten off. Work another Irish Rose in the same manner. Sew an Iris Rose on two corners-with-bow of Blanket, as shown in picture. Sew a bead in the center of each rose.

## Lace dress

**Size:** to fit 9 (12-18-24) months

**Note:** figures in brackets ( ) refer to larger sizes. Where only one figure is given this refers to all sizes.



**Skill Level:** intermediate

**How much yarn:** Baby Soft yarn (100% Extrafine Merino Wool Machine Washable – Processed with Aloe Vera) which 3 balls (each ball 50g and 170m) shade no. 9412 and 1 ball no. 10001. 1 ball (each ball 50g and 233m) of Perlata D'Australia yarn (100% Fine Pure Merino Wool) shade no. 8000

**Hooks:** A 3.00mm crochet hook. A 3.75mm crochet hook

**Sewing needle:** Yarn needle with rounded point

**Other items:** 4 stitch-markers. Knitting mill  
3 small flower shaped buttons. 1 bead

## STITCHES

**Using hook:** chain (ch) – Slip stitch (ss)

Double crochet (dc) – Treble (tr)

**BACK POST DOUBLE CROCHET (BPDC):** insert hook around stem of dc from back to front, yarn on hook and pull through a loop, yarn on hook and pull through two loops on hook.

**WAVE STITCH:** (worked over a multiple of 6 sts)

**1st round:** ch1. (= 1st dc), \* ch2, miss 1 st, 1 dc into next st, ch5, miss 3 sts, 1 dc into next st; rep from \* ending with 1 ss into first ch. **2nd round:** 1 ss into first st, \* 1 dc into next 2ch-space, 11 tr into next 5ch-space; rep from \* ending with 1 ss into first dc. **3rd round:** ss until 3rd tr of next shell, ch4 (= 1 tr and 1 ch), \* (1 tr into next tr, ch1) 5 times, 1 tr into next tr, miss next ( 2 tr, 1 dc and 2 tr), 1 tr into next tr, ch 1; rep from \* omitting last tr and 1 ch at end of last rep and ending with 1 ss into 3rd of first 4 ch. **4th round:** 1 ss into first st, \* 1 dc into next 1ch-sp, (ch3, miss 1 tr, 1 dc into next tr) twice, ch3, miss 1ch-sp, 1 dc into next 1ch-sp, ch3; rep from \* ending with 1 ss into first dc. **5th round:** ss until center of first 3ch-sp, 1 dc into same sp, ch5, miss next 3ch-sp, \* 1 dc into next 3ch-sp, ch5, miss next 3ch-sp; rep from \* all round omitting last 5ch-sp at end of last rep and ending with ch2 and 1 tr into first dc. **6th round:** ch1 (= 1st dc) into first sp, 11 tr into next sp, \* 1 dc into following sp, 11 tr into next sp; rep from \* all round ending with 1 ss into first ch. 7th round: rep from 3rd to 6th round throughout. **PICOT:** ch3 and 1ss into st of previous round.

## TENSION

23 sts and 12 rows measure approx 10cm square over trebles with 3.75 mm hook and Baby Soft yarn.

## INSTRUCTIONS

**Dress:** with 3.75 mm hook and Baby Soft yarn shade no. 9412 ch70 (76–82) plus 1 turning ch. **1st row:** 1 dc into 3rd ch from hook, 1 dc into each of next 68 (74–80)ch: there are 70 (76–82) sts, turn. Place a stitch-marker (SM) to indicate raglan armholes into 12th, 23rd, 48th and 59th (13th, 25th, 52nd and 64th – 14th, 27th, 56th and 69th)dc. **2nd row:** ch3 (corresponding to first tr), 1 tr into each of next 10 (11–12) sts, (1 tr, ch1, 1 tr) into next st (= the st indicated by SM), cont to work 1 tr into each st but work (1 tr, ch1, 1 tr) into each of next 3 sts indicated by SM, at end turn (4 sts have been increased). **3rd row:** ch3 (corresponding to first tr), 1 tr into each tr and (1 tr, ch1, 1 tr) into each of four 1ch-sp for raglans, at end turn (8 sts have been increased). Cont to work as given on 3rd row until work measures 9 (10.5–12.5)cm from beg, corresponding to 11

(13–15) rows of trebles: there are 154(176–198) tr plus 1ch-sp for each of 4 raglans. The piece is thus made up of 5 parts: 22 (25–28) sts for first half Back, 1 ch for raglan, 32 (37–42) sts for first sleeve, 1 ch for raglan, 46 (52–58) sts for Front, 1 ch for raglan, 32 (37–42) sts for second sleeve, 1 ch for raglan and 22 (25–28) sts for other half Back.

**Back extension:** without cutting the yarn, work 1 row of trebles only on the sts of the first half of the Back, until to first 1ch-sp, end the row with 1 tr in this space, turn and work 1 more row of trebles. Leave the work unworked without cutting the yarn. Work 2 rows of trebles on the other half of the Back, starting from raglan 1ch-sp and working as given for the first half. At the end, cut yarn and fasten off. Pick up the yarn and continue on piece left unworked and, to complete the bodice and form the opening of the sleeves, continue as follows: 23 (26–29)tr for first half Back, ch3 for armhole, miss 32 (37–42) sts for first Sleeve, 1 tr into next 1ch-sp, 46 (52–58)tr for Front, 1 tr into next 1ch-sp, ch3 for armhole, miss 32 (37–42) sts for other Sleeve, 23 (26–29) tr for second half Back: there are 100 (112 – 124) sts. Then work 4 (5–6) rows of 100 (112 – 124) trebles to complete bodice working and approx 12.5 (15–17.5)cm have been worked from bodice beg. At end of last row, close work in round with a ss into first treble of row. Cont to work in rounds for Skirt.

**Skirt:** ch1 (= first dc), 1 dc into each st, increasing 2 sts at regular distance in order to obtain a number of sts multiple of 6, needed for working in Wave stitch: there are 102 (114–126) sts. Work in Wave stitch until Skirt measures approx 24 (26–28)cm, after a 3rd round rep of the Stitch. Fasten off turquoise yarn and work next round with colour no. 10001. Then, fasten off.

**Irish rose: (make 2)** work as given for the lace blanket.

**Cord:** with Perlata D'Australia yarn and knitting mill, make a cord approx 80 (84–88–92)cm long.

## FINISHING

**Armhole border (make 2):** with 3.75 mm hook and Baby Soft yarn colour no. 10001 all around armhole work as follows: 1 ss at centre of 3ch-sp, 1 ch (=1st dc), \* miss 2 sts, 5 tr into next st, miss 2 sts, 1 dc into next st; rep from \* all round omitting last dc at end of last rep and ending with a ss into first dc. Fasten off.

**Left Back Border:** with 3.75 mm hook and Baby Soft yarn colour no. 9412 work 1 row dc and 2 rows htr along left Back opening

**Right Back Border:** with 3.75 mm hook and Baby Soft yarn colour no. 9412, starting from opening base, work a row dc and 1 row of trebles with 3 buttonholes evenly spaced: the first after 3 sts from lower edge, the 3rd 3 sts before upper edge and the 2nd between the previous: for each buttonhole, ch1 and miss 1 stitch. Work another row of dc and continue to work a row of dc around neck-edge. Fasten off.

Sew border base of Back opening, superimposing the right on the left. Sew buttons on left Back border, corresponding to buttonholes. Sew Irish rose on dress bodice, as shown in picture. Insert cord, taking and missing 3 sts, through the trebles of the last row of the bodice, bringing the ends out at the centre of the Front, and tying them with a bow.



## Knit blankets

**Measurements:** approx 70 x 90cm, excluding border.

**Skill Level:** intermediate

**How much yarn:** 7 balls (each ball 50g and 170m) of Baby Soft yarn (8100% Extrafine Merino Wool Machine Washable - Processed with Aloe Vera) for each of the following shades: white shade no. 10001 and light blue shade no. 12260 and lilac shade no. 8439

**Needles:** A 3.25mm knitting needles or a 3.25mm circular needle 60cm long

**Sewing needle:** Yarn needle with rounded point

### STITCHES

**Using needles:** GARTER STITCH (G ST): all rows K.

STOCKING STITCH (ST ST): 1 row (RS) K, 1 row (WS)

LACE PATTERN: [worked over a multiple of 14 plus 7 sts following diagram. In the diagram only the odd rows are shown, on the even rows purl all sts, including the yarn overs (yo) from the previous rows].

LACE GARTER ST BORDER: start working over 8 sts plus 2 selvedge sts. SELVEDGE STITCH: at beg of row, slip 1 st knitways; at end of row, P last st.

**1st row:** cast on 9 sts and create 10th st as follows: insert needle point into any st on blanket border, yarn over needle (yo) and draw a loop (= new st) through. **2nd row:** 1 selvedge st, K8, 1 selvedge st. **3rd row:** 1 selvedge st, K2, (yo, K2tog t.b.l. = through back of loops) twice, yo, K3, pick up a new st (as given in 1st row). from next blanket border st. **4th row:** 1 selvedge st, K2tog, K to last st, 1 selvedge st. **5th row:** 1 selvedge st, K2, (yo, K2tog t.b.l.) twice, yo, K4, pick up a new st from next blanket border st. **6th row:** 1 selvedge st, K2tog, K to last st, 1 selvedge st. **7th row:** 1 selvedge st, K2, (yo, K2tog t.b.l.) twice, yo, K5, miss next blanket border st and pick up a new st from following blanket border st.

**Note:** every 3 new sts picked up from the edge of the cover, miss 1 st between the last picked up st and the next, to prevent the edge from curling. If this happens anyway, miss a few extra sts to keep the work as flat as possible. This procedure can also be used if the number of sts available along the edges of the cover is different from the sts needed to obtain the exact multiple of sts

on the edge. **8th row:** 1 selvedge st, K2tog, K to last st, 1 selvedge st. **9th row:** 1 selvedge st, K2, (yo, K2tog t.b.l.) twice, yo, K6, pick up a new st from next blanket border st. **10th row:** 1 selvedge st, K2tog, K to last st, 1 selvedge st. **11th row:** 1 selvedge st, K2, (yo, K2tog t.b.l.) twice, yo, K7, pick up a new st from next blanket border st. **12th row:** 1 selvedge st, K2tog, K to last st, 1 selvedge st. **13th row:** cast off 5 sts as follows: (K2tog, return the obtained st from right needle to left needle) 5 times, K to end, pick up a new st from next blanket border st. **14th row:** 1 selvedge st, K2tog, K to last st, 1 selvedge st. Rep from 3rd to 14th row throughout. **Note:** When working the edge on the corner sts, to ensure that the work remains flat, pick up 2 new sts into the st before the corner st, 3 new sts into the corner st and 2 new sts into the st after the corner.

### INSTRUCTIONS

With 3.25 mm needles or 3.25 mm circular needle (the circular needle is not used to work in the round but will only serve to work a very high number of stitches more easily) cast on 169 sts and work as follows: 4 sts in st st, 161 sts in lace pattern following diagram and 4 sts in st st. When work measures 90cm from beg, cast off.

**Finishing border:** with 3.25 mm needles, work Lace garter st Border, as given before, ending with 13th row rep, then cast off all sts as given on 13th row, leaving a long end. Insert this yarn end into a yarn needle and sew cast-off sts to cast on sts, in correspondence, to join Border into a ring.

### LACE PATTERN

