Free Crochet Pattern

LION BRAND® TRUBOO

LEOPARD PRINT C2C BABY BLANKET

Pattern Number: M21018 TB

SKILL LEVEL – INTERMEDIATE

SIZES

About 36 x 36 in. (91.5 x 91.5 cm)

60 x 60 squares

MATERIALS

- LION BRAND® TRUBOO (Art. #837)

  #146 Thistle 5 balls (A)

  #102 Aqua 3 balls (B)

  #123 Tan 1 ball (C)
- LION BRAND® crochet hook size H-8 (5 mm)
- LION BRAND® large-eyed blunt needle

GAUGE

10 (chain 2, 3 hdc) squares = about 6 in. (15 cm).

1 square = about 0.6 in. (1.5 cm).

BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

TECHNIQUE EXPLANATIONS

C2C The Corner-to-Corner (C2C) technique of crocheting is made by starting in one corner of a pixel graph (the lower right corner) and following the graph row by row diagonally to the other corner (the top left corner).

How to start your C2C Blanket

Row 1: Begin in the bottom right corner of the graph. Chain 5. HDC in 3rd chain from hook. HDC in last 2 chains. You now have a chain-2 space and a total of 3 HDC stitches. This completes your first square and Row 1.

Row 2: Chain 5. HDC in 3rd chain from hook. HDC in last 2 chains. Turn your work. At this point turning consists of just flipping over the first square. Slip stitch to join to the chain-2 space from the first square. Chain 2. Make 3 HDC in the same chain-2 space. This completes your second 2 squares and Row 2.

Continue by chaining 5, HDC in 3rd chain from hook and in last 2 chains, turn and join with slip stitch to chain-2 space in last square made from previous row.

Increase Rows The first part of the graph is worked by making increases on both edges. You will start each row by chaining 5, making a HDC in the 3rd chain from hook and then a HDC in each of the remaining 2 chains.

Decrease Rows The second part of the graph is worked by making decreases on both edges. At the beginning of each row, instead of chaining 5 as you would do when increasing, you will turn your work and slip stitch across the 3 HDC's in the last square made. Join with slip st to the chain-2 then chain 2 and work 3 HDC in the same chain-2 space. At the end of the row, end with a slip stitch in the last chain-2 space, do not work chain 2 and 3 HDC in that last chain-2 space.

How to Change Colors To join a new color, pull the new color yarn through as you make your slip stitch to join over your chain-2 space. Do not fasten off the old color. Leave the strand hanging and still attached to the ball.

By not cutting the yarn each time you change colors, you'll have fewer loose ends to weave in later. Just keep the balls not being used on the wrong side of your work. Carry the yarn strand up from the previous row and pull it up to your hook when you need to join that color back into your project.

When you begin to have a lot of color changes, it helps to divide the yarn balls by winding into multiple smaller balls.

How to Read the Graph

Print out the graph. Start in the lower right corner and mark off each square as you go. Each square in this C2C graph = chain 2 + 3 HDC. The first square in the corner is Row 1. You will work diagonally back and forth (down one row and back up the next). Row 2 of the graph will be read diagonally from left to right and Row 3 from right to left.
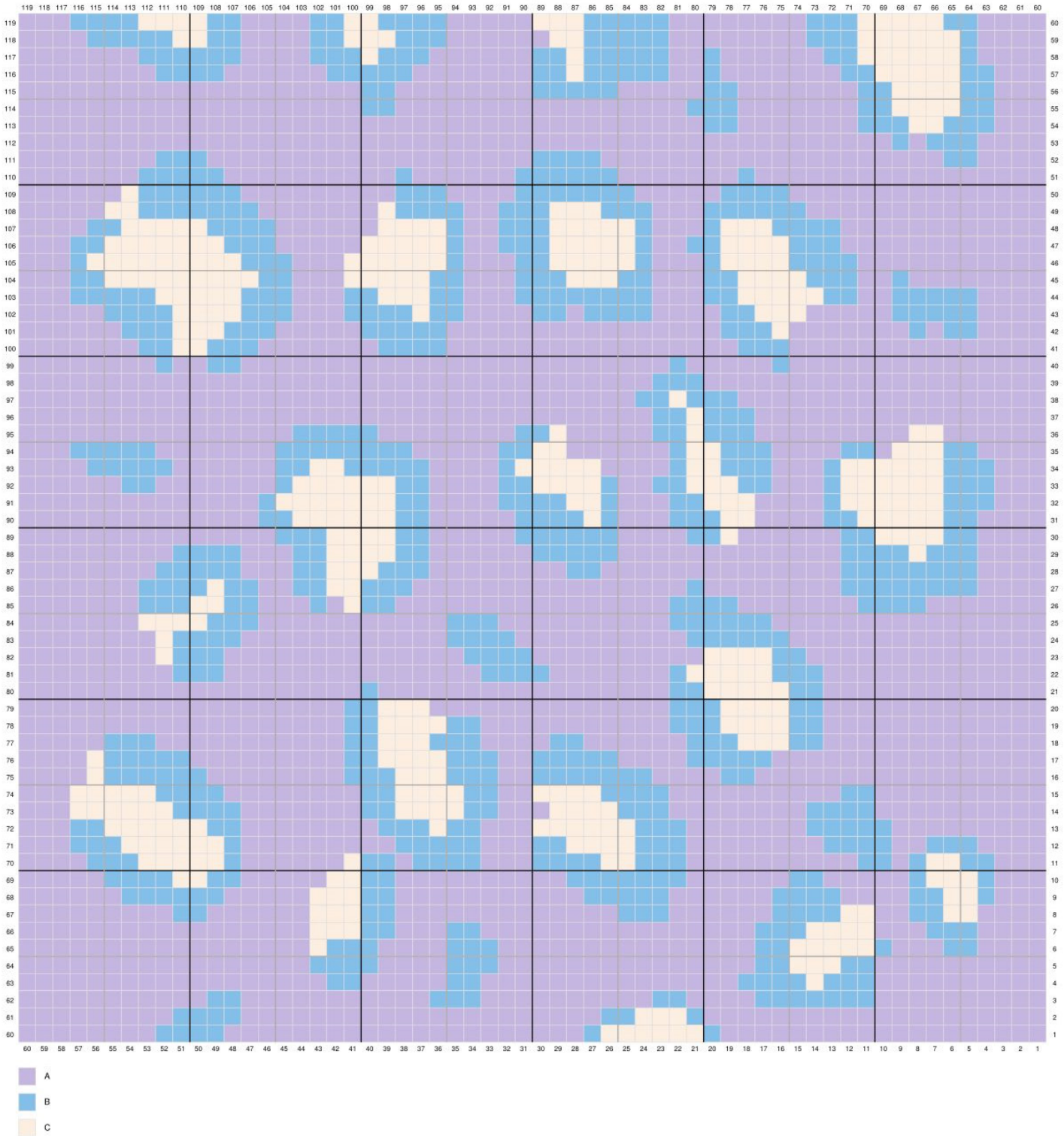
BLANKET

Work in C2C technique, changing yarn color following chart.

When chart has been completed, fasten off.

FINISHING

Weave in ends.

A

B

C

ABBREVIATIONS

ch = chain

ch-sp(s) = chain spaces previously made

hdc = half double crochet

rnd(s) = round(s)

RS = right side

sc = single crochet

sl st = slip stitch

st(s) = stitch(es)

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