

# Crochet Blanket with the Star Stitch

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## Materials Needed:

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6 (12, 24) Skeins of Mary Maxim Starlette Chunky (360 (720, 1440 yards) of #6 Super Bulky)

12 mm hook (The Hook Nook Jumbo)

The star stitch, also known as the “Marguerite Stitch” or “Daisy Stitch,” is a captivating crochet stitch that adds a touch of celestial charm to any project. Characterized by a unique combination of loops and clusters, the star stitch creates a textured pattern resembling a field of twinkling stars.

The star stitch is a versatile and visually appealing crochet technique that brings a celestial elegance to your projects. Whether you’re creating blankets, scarves, or any other crocheted item, the star stitch adds a touch of magic to your handmade creations.

## Gauge:

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Gauge for this crochet blanket for beginners is 8 single crochet stitches (or 4 star stitches) x 4 rows in the pattern repeat. Checking your gauge on this chunky crochet blanket is crucial for ensuring you have enough yarn; you wouldn’t want to run short!

## Stitch Descriptions and Abbreviations:

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**Chain Stitch (ch):** Yarn over, pull yarn through the stitch on the hook.

**Slip Stitch (Sl St):** Insert hook into the stitch or space, yarn over, pull yarn through both loops on the hook.

**Single Crochet (sc):** Insert hook into the stitch or space, yarn over, pull up a loop (2 loops on hook), yarn over, pull through 2 loops on the hook.

**Half Double Crochet (hdc):** Yarn over, insert hook into the stitch or space, yarn over, pull up a loop (3 loops on hook), yarn over, pull through 3 loops on the hook.

**Foundation Single Crochet (Fsc):** Chain 2, insert hook into the 2nd chain from the hook, yarn over, pull up a loop (2 loops on hook), yarn over, draw through 1 loop (2 loops on hook with 1 ch created), yarn over, draw through all loops (1 loop on hook, 1 foundation single crochet with chain at the bottom). Repeat.

## Pattern Notes:

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- Designates a repeat.
- Ch 1 and Ch 2 do not count as stitches.
- Skill Level: Easy
- Sizes: Baby (22" x 34"), Toddler/Lapghan (44" x 34"), Throw (44" x 64")

## Crochet Blanket for Beginners Pattern:

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### Row 1

Foundation Single Crochet (Fsc) 37 (75, 75), chain 2, turn.

### Row 2

Chain 2, turn, pick up 2 loops in the 2nd chain from the hook using the front and back of the chain, pick up a loop in the 1st single crochet, pick up a loop in the next 2 single crochets (6 loops on hook).

Yarn over, pull through all loops, yarn over, pull through one loop (eye of star created).

\*Pick up a loop in the eye, pick up a loop in the last loop of the star, pick up a loop in the same stitch as the last loop of the previous star, pick up a loop in the next 2 single crochets (6 loops on hook).

Yarn over, pull through all loops, yarn over, pull through one loop. Repeat from \* to end, half double crochet (hdc) in the same stitch as the last star.

### Row 3

Chain 1, turn, single crochet in half double crochet, single crochet in the next eye.

\*2 single crochet in each next eye. Repeat from \* to end, 1 single crochet in half double crochet (37 (75, 75 stitches)).

**Rows 4 – 43 (43, 85)**

Repeat Rows 2 & 3.