

Project 11

Double Crochet Swaddles

Thank you for volunteering to crochet Swaddles! The Swaddles are special because they serve as a keepsake for parents, as well as looking beautiful in pictures. The Swaddles give parents a chance to dress their baby, which isn't typical when babies are born in the second trimester. When choosing yarn please look for something soft to the touch in light colors (pink, purple, blue, green, yellow, white). Please be mindful of odors other's might be sensitive to by keeping all materials away from pets, cigarette smoke, etc.

You'll need: medium weight yarn, a size 4.5 mm crochet hook, a tape measure, and a yarn needle

Ch- chain

DC- double crochet

SS- slip stitch

WS- whip stitch

Ch- to the width of 6.5-7 inches

First row- DC in the third Ch from the hook and in every Ch after, Ch 2 and turn

DC in each, Ch 2 and turn to the length of 11.5 inches

Last row- DC in each, finish/tie off leaving roughly 8 inches of tail to close the top of the Swaddle

At this time the Swaddle should measure 6.5-7 inches X 11.5 inches

Fold the Swaddle in half and SS or WS across the top to close

Flip right side out

Finish/tie off and sew in all tails

You will need 1 piece of white ribbon measuring approx. 16 inches

Using a yarn needle, weave the ribbon along the bottom of the Swaddle to be used as a closure. Leave roughly the same amount of extra ribbon on both sides of the Swaddle. Tie into a bow.

You can tailor the pattern to single or half double crochet, just make sure the measurements are accurate



More about this project:

This pattern for the waterproof cradle and the crochet swaddle was created by a mother who suffered an unimaginable loss and horrific experience trying to spend time with her stillborn child afterward.

She designed the waterproof cradle to keep the infant hydrated and the crochet swaddle as a sweet keepsake for the parents.

To learn more, visit their website <https://www.11withthomas.org/our-story>

When making this precious item be sure that the dimensions match the instructions and please use soft yarn in light, pastel colors. When delivering to the Richmond workshop, please mark the donation for "Project 11".

Thank you.