

Crochet Love Bug Lovey Blanket



I found this heart fleece blanket at Safeway when I was grocery shopping (as a part of their Valentine's Day display). It is a big blanket and was on sale for \$8. I have a couple other projects in mind for this fabric so it was well worth it. If you don't have a Safeway Grocery Store in your area, I am sure you can find very similar heart fabric in your local fabric store. Jo-Ann Fabrics and Hobby Lobby have great selections!



Materials:

- Heart Fleece Fabric (about 2 ft x 2ft)
- **Rotary Cutter and Skip Stitch Blade:**

- Worsted weight yarn. I used [Lion Brand Vanna's Choice Baby Yarn in Cheery Cherry](#). And a little bit of white and brown yarn for the eyes and antennae.
- Size H Crochet Hook
- Safety Eyes (or black buttons for eyeballs)
- Poly-Fil Stuffing
- Tapestry Needle
- Stitch Marker

Abbreviations:

- Magic Ring Tutorial
- SC = Single Crochet
- HDC = Half Double Crochet
- DC = Double Crochet
- SC Decrease = Single Crochet Decrease

Cut a tall trapezoid type shape from your fleece fabric. Each side of mine is 12" long.



Run your Skip Stitch Blade about a half inch or so from all edges of your fabric. Use ruler edge to help you create a straight line.



Take your yarn and hook and SC + Chain 1 along the holes in the fabric. Fasten off and weave in ends when you are done.



Bug Head Pattern:

Magic ring, chain 1 and make 10 SC in ring, continue to SC in rounds
Round 2: 2 SC in each stitch around (20 SC)
Round 3: 2 SC in first stitch, SC in next, repeat around (30 SC)
Round 4-13: SC in each stitch around (30 SC)
Fasten off and weave in ends.
Do not stuff and close yet. Sew on eyes, mouth and antennae first.

Bug Eyes (make 2):

with white yarn...

Magic ring, chain 2 and make 10 DC inside ring. Join to first DC.
Fasten off leaving tail to sew onto head.
After sewing eyes on, add your safety eyes or sew on black buttons for eyeballs)

Bug Antennae (make 2):

with brown or black yarn...

Chain 8, make 5 HDC in 2nd chain from hook, slip stitch the rest of the way down chain.
Fasten off and sew onto top of head.

Bug Mouth is just a tiny little "V" sewn on with white yarn and a tapestry needle.

Now that you have all your face pieces sewn onto the head, stuff lightly with poly-fil and sew the bottom of the head shut. I actually SC the bottom of the head together. It made a nice edge!
Then I used my tapestry needle to sew it onto the top of the fleece blanket edge.



Wings (make 4):

They also make perfect hearts!

Chain 11, SC in second chain from hook and the rest of the way down, chain 1, turn (10 SC)

Row 2: 2 SC in first stitch, SC in next 8, 2 SC in last stitch, chain 1, turn (12 SC)

Row 3-5: SC in each stitch across, chain 1, turn (12 SC)

Row 6: SC Decrease, SC in next 10 stitches, chain 1, turn

Row 7: SC in next 6 stitches, chain 1, turn (6 SC)

Row 8-13: SC in each stitch across, chain 1, turn (6 SC)

Row 14: SC Decrease, SC in next two, SC decrease. Continue to SC all the way around the entire piece. Join and fasten off.

Sew two hearts together. Stuff with Poly-fil before closing. Sew stuffed wings onto sides of blanket.







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