"Now you will feel no rain, for each of you will be shelter for the other.
Now you will feel no cold, for each of you will be warm for the other.
Now there is no more loneliness, for each of you will be a companion for the other.
Now you are two persons, but there is only one life before you.
Go now to your dwelling place to begin the days of your life together.
May your days together be good and long upon the earth."
— Apache Blessing
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INTRODUCTION TO THE BLUSHING BRIDE THROW

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# Materials

## ColourSpun Pure Cotton DK

3.5mm and 4 mm crochet hooks (4 and 6 in US size)  
Tapestry needle for sewing away the yarn tail ends  
Scissors  
8 Stitch markers

### Colour Pack “Niki”

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*Yarn quantities are provided as a guideline only. Bear in mind that gauge differences and yarn differences may affect the outcome of the blanket.

Colours may vary depending on screen, print settings and resolution.

Refer to section “Finished Size” for more information on how to make this throw in a different size.

Click [here](#) to visit the online store to purchase a yarn kit

| Total               | 48 x 50g |
|                     | (2500g)  |
|                     | = 6,250 metres |
|                     | = 6,850 yards |

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Finished Size

5 Size options are outlined below. The pattern is based on the largest option, i.e. 190 x 150 cm (75 x 59").

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**Alternative Sizes**

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<td>Border Round 13</td>
<td>160 x 110 cm</td>
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<td></td>
<td>63 x 43 in</td>
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Then edge with Border Round 43.

Make a Larger Throw

If you wish to make this throw **bigger**, it is recommended that you finish with round 42 and then repeat Border Rounds 30 to 42 until the required size is reached. Then edge with Border Round 43.

Yarn quantities for these larger size adjustments have **not** been calculated. Extra yarn may be purchased [here](#).

**Gauge**

Whilst gauge is less important when making an item such as a blanket, it will affect the quantities of yarn required. Extra yarn may be purchased [here](#).

If your gauge tends to be quite loose, I recommend that you order 1 extra skein of yarn in each of the 3 colours.

My gauge – measured over 10 x 10 cm / 4 x 4 in:

Using 4 mm hook: 17 sts x 22 rows
Using 3.5mm hook: 20 sts x 25 rows
Yarn

ColourSpun Pure Cotton DK is the recommended yarn for this project. These gorgeous yarns are created and dyed by hand; therefore each skein is imbued with the artist's energy and will have its own unique characteristics. Only the finest quality, pure cotton is used; coloured in a smoke free and pet friendly environment using earth friendly dyes which have excellent wash fast and light fast properties.

- The yarn used in this pattern sample is an 8ply / Double Knit (DK) / Light Worsted.
- If you decide to use a worsted weight yarn (10 ply), your blanket will be substantially bigger than the sample made in this pattern.
- If you choose to use 3 or 4 ply, your finished item will be substantially smaller.
- Refer to chart on next page for more information on yarn types.

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<td>Sport, Baby</td>
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<td>Double Knit (DK), Light Worsted</td>
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<td>Worsted, Afghan, Aran</td>
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<td>Chunky, Craft, Rug</td>
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<td>Super Bulky, Roving</td>
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<td>7</td>
<td>Jumbo, Roving</td>
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Hook Size

- If you have a loose tension, it is recommended that you adjust your hook sizes down from the recommended sizes in this pattern.
- If you have a particularly tight tension, you may wish to adjust your hook sizes up.
Difficulty

Intermediate / Intermédiaire / Intermedio

I have given this pattern an Intermediate rating. With the assistance of the video tutorials, I believe that even beginners would be able to easily complete the project. You would, however, need to have basic crochet skills, as this is not a “how to crochet” project.

Based on my own estimated time, you can expect to spend at least 95 hours creating the biggest version of the throw. It is a major undertaking.

UK to USA Conversions

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Abbreviations

Please note that my patterns always use **US terminology**.

Listed below you will find the abbreviations used in my patterns, as well as the long name. Where applicable, the abbreviation is linked to a right-handed video tutorial. Comprehensive left- and right-handed tutorials can be found at [http://theneavecollection.com/Video-Tutorials/Video-Tutorials](http://theneavecollection.com/Video-Tutorials/Video-Tutorials).

Terms are listed alphabetically by the abbreviation.

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<td>repeat</td>
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<td>right side</td>
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Blocking

Why Block?

It is my considered opinion that blocking of most projects is a very important step towards achieving a professional finish. If you would like to know more about this important process, please download a document I have prepared about this subject.
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