Special Abbreviation
dec2 (decrease 2 sts) = slip 2 sts together knitwise, knit next st, pass the 2 slipped sts over the knit st.

BLANKET
Cast on 145 sts. Do not join but work back and forth in rows.
Lower Border-Row 1 (Right Side): K1, * p1, k1; repeat from * across.
Rows 2-7: Repeat Row 1. Lower Border completed.
Row 8: [K1, p1] 3 times, p to last 6 sts, [p1, k1] 3 times.
Row 9: [K1, p1] 3 times, * K1, yo, k4, dec2, k4, yo; repeat from * to last 7 sts, k1, [p1, k1] 3 times.
Row 10: Repeat Row 8.
Row 11: [K1, p1] 3 times, k2, * yo, k3, dec2, k3, yo, k3; repeat from * to last 17 sts, yo, k3, dec2, k3, yo, k2, [p1, k1] 3 times.
Row 12: Repeat Row 8.
Row 13: [K1, p1] 3 times, k3, * yo, k2, dec2, k2, yo, k5; repeat from * to last 16 sts, yo, k2, dec2, k2, yo, k3, [p1, k1] 3 times.
Row 14: Repeat Row 8.
Row 15: [K1, p1] 3 times, k4, * yo, k1, dec2, k1, yo, k7; repeat from * to last 15 sts, yo, k1, dec2, k1, yo, k4, [p1, k1] 3 times.
Row 16: Repeat Row 8.
Row 17: [K1, p1] 3 times, k5, * yo, dec2, yo, k9; repeat from * to last 14 sts, yo, dec2, yo, k5, [p1, k1] 3 times.
Row 18: Repeat Row 8.
Row 19: Repeat Row 8.
Row 20: [K1, p1] 3 times, k to last 6 sts, [p1, k1] 3 times.
Row 21: Repeat Row 8.

Repeat Rows 8-21 fifteen times and then repeat Rows 8-18 once more. Repeat Rows 1-6 for Top Border. Bind off in pattern. Weave in all ends securely.

Precious Baby Blanket

Knit this soft cuddly blanket while waiting for baby's arrival. This lacy pattern looks wonderful in any color, so choose a color that will coordinate with the nursery and start knitting.

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Designed by Kim Guzman.

Blanket measures 35" x 35".

RED HEART® Soft Baby Steps®: 4 balls 9700 Baby Pink.

Circular Knitting Needle: 5mm [US 8] – 24".
Yarn needle.

GAUGE: 16 sts = 4"; 28 rows = 4" in pattern. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.**

4 MEDIUM

RED HEART® Soft Baby Steps®, Art. E746 available in solid color 5 oz (142 g), 256 yd (234 m); multi color 4 oz (113 g), 204 yd (187 m) and smart print 3 oz (85 g), 153 yd (140 m) balls.

ABBREVIATIONS: K = knit; **mm** = millimeters; **P** = purl; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **yo** = yarn over; ***** = repeat whatever follows the * as indicated; **[ ]** = work directions in brackets the number of times specified.

Chart rows numbered 18, 17, 16, 15, 14, 13, 12, 11, 10, 9, 8 (right side); columns numbered 18 17 16 15 14 13 12 11 10 9 8 7 (bottom).
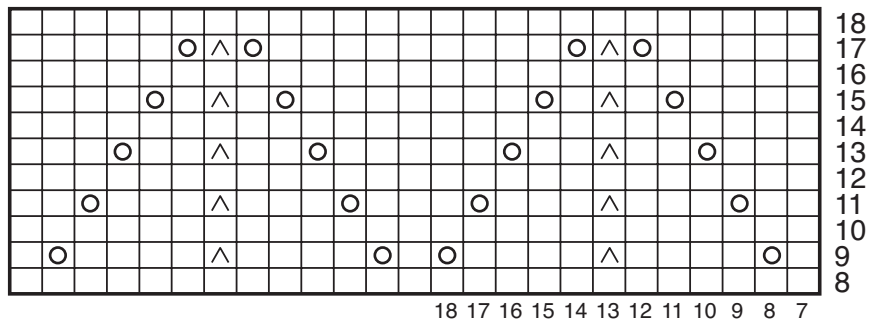
CHART KEY

☐ = Stockinette st: knit RS rows and Purl WS rows
Ⓞ = Yarn over
⋀ = Decrease