

# Woven With Happy Part 2 - The Weaving

Please start with part 1 to create the mesh base.



## Materials and Details for the weaving

- Yarn: worsted weight in a variety of colors. This takes quite a bit of yarn and it a great way to use up yarn balls.
- Crochet Hook: I (5.5mm), J (6mm)
- Notions: Yarn needle for weaving

## Tips

- Numbers at the beginning of each line may refer to steps and not indicate number of rows.
- If you have any questions about this pattern please contact [heidi@snappy-tots.com](mailto:heidi@snappy-tots.com).

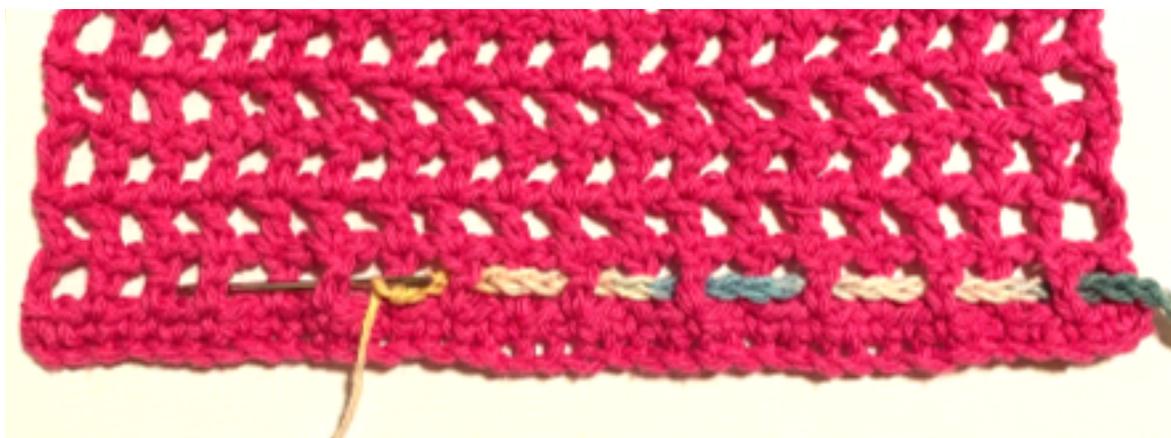
Included in this pattern: Weaving with a crocheted chain (starts on page 2) and weaving with strands of yarn (page 4).

## Weaving With a Crocheted Chain

The next step is to weave yarn in and out of our beginning mesh base. You can use one yarn color for all of the weaving, alternate every two rows or any random colors

I found it was easiest to work with a chain no longer than twice the width of the project. Do NOT finish off the yarn at the end of the chain. Just slip the loop off of your hook and pull the loop a little long to prevent it from coming out. After you have done the first weaving you can decide which length works best for you.

1. With the same size hook and yarn as used for the mesh base (ww and an I hook in sample), create a chain at least twice the width of the mesh base. Slip the loop off of the hook.
2. Thread the beginning yarn tail through a yarn needle. Starting at the side of the piece and working parallel to the beginning edge, use the yarn needle to weave the chain over and under the bars across the first row of holes. **MAKE SURE** to pull the sides of your base mesh back to the original size after the first row is complete. If not, the chain will cinch in the project.



3. Once you have woven across the first row, continue pulling the chain through this row until you have enough to weave through the second row. If you finished the first row over a bar, you will start the next row under the bar and vice versa. Weave over and under the next row. Make sure the edge does not get cinched in. See photo below.



4. At this point, I suggest cutting the chain, leaving at least 3". We will weave in the yarn tails at the end. I found it was a lot easier working just 2 rows at a time instead of pulling the length through all the rows.



If you want, you could slip the loop of yarn back on your hook and chain another piece the same length, then cut the yarn and use that yarn tail to weave in and out of the next two rows if you would like.

Keep repeating the weaving process until all hole rows are full.

Finishing off the ends: Thread one of the yarn tails through a yarn needle. Bend the yarn tail over the final bar and weave the tail in and out of the chain to secure. Repeat for each yarn tail.



## Weaving With Strands of Yarn

The next step is to weave yarn in and out of our beginning mesh base. You can use one yarn color for all of the weaving, alternate every two rows or any random colors

This option is for those who have family members around to help with your project that do not crochet or if you prefer to weave with yarn instead of crocheting the chain.

Number of strands to use per mesh base type: one strand ww mesh base, use 2 strands ww yarn to weave (or equivalent); one strand bulky weight mesh base, use 3 strands ww yarn to weave (or equivalent).

If you are using thick yarn for the mesh base you might want to work back across the same row, opposite of how you did the first one, before going on to the next row as shown in the first photo of this post.

1. Thread the beginning yarn tails through a yarn needle. Starting at the side of the piece and working parallel to the beginning edge, use the yarn needle to weave the yarn strands over and under the bars across the first row of holes.

**MAKE SURE** to pull the sides of your base mesh back to the original size after the first row is complete. If not, the yarn weaving will cinch in the project.

2. Once you have woven across the first row, continue pulling the yarn tails through this row until you have enough to weave through the second row.

If you finished the first row over a bar, you will start the next row under the bar and vice versa. Weave over and under the next row.

Make sure the edge does not get cinched in.

3. At this point, I suggest cutting the chain, leaving at least 3". We will weave in the yarn tails at the end. I found it was a lot easier working just 2 rows at a time instead of pulling the length through all the rows.

Keep repeating the weaving process until all hole rows have been filled. If you are working a blanket, add to the mesh base as needed.

## Edging

The edging for the yarn strands projects is done differently from the chain weaving version. The edging will be in part 3.

