“Behind me and before me you encircle me and rest your hand upon me.” Psalm 139:5

***The Prayer:*** *Lord, as I begin this shawl bless my hands that will do your work and touch my heart that I will hear your voice. I pray that the one who will wear this shawl be wrapped in your love, graced with your peace, and filled with your joy. Let it be done according to your will and to your glory. Amen*

**[](http://www.caron.com/images/yarn_images/simply_soft/ss_proj/ss_ss55_friendship_shawl_lg.jpg)**

*Be specific in your prayers. Lift their needs to the Lord trusting in the words of Mark 11:24: Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.*

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**Friendship Shawl**  
**Shawl**

**Designed by Kim Guzman TECHNIQUE USED:** Crochet

**FINISHED MEASUREMENTS LEVEL:** Intermediate

Approximately 16"/40.5cm wide x 62"/157.5cm long

**MATERIALS**

**Caron International's Simply Soft** (100% acrylic; 6 oz/170 g, 315 yds/288 m): #9705 Sage (A), 18 oz; One size US I-9 (5.5 mm) crochet hook, or size to obtain gauge**;** Yarn needle **GAUGE:**18 sts and 18 rows =5"/12.5cm

**STITCHES USED**

Chain (ch) Double crochet (dc) Single crochet (sc) Slip stitch (slip st)

**SPECIAL TERM: Cl:** Cluster—Yarn over, insert hook in indicated st and draw up a loop, yarnover and draw through 2 loops on hook (2 loops remain on hook), [yarnover, insert hook in same st and draw up a loop, yarn over and drawthrough 2 loops on hook] twice, yarn over and draw through all 4 loops onhook.]

**NOTES**

1. Stitches of shawl, except short edge trim, are worked in the back loops only throughout.

2. When working rows of stitches in back loops only, always work the last

stitch of the row in both loops to ensure stability.

3. When working the first row in the foundation chain, work the stitches in the back "bump". To see the back bump, turn the foundation chain so that the back is facing you. The back bump is the horizontal bar across the back of each chain.

**SHAWL**

Chain 186.

**Row 1:** Working in back "bumps", sc in second ch from hook and in each

remaining ch across, turn—185 sc.

**Rows 2–6:** Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn. Mark Row 7 as right side (RS) of piece.

**Row 7 (RS):** Ch 2 (counts as first dc here and throughout), dc in next sc,

\*skip next sc, dc in next sc; working behind dc just made dc in skipped sc

(crossed stitch made); repeat from \* to last sc, dc in last sc, turn—91

crossed sts.

**Rows 8–13:** Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

**Row 14:** Ch 1, sc in first 2 sc, \*Cl in next sc, sc in next 5 sc; repeat from \*to last 3 sc, Cl in next sc, sc in last 2 sc, turn—31 clusters.

**Row 15:** Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

**Row 16:** Ch 1, sc in first 5 sc, \*Cl in next sc, sc in next 5 sc; repeat from \* to last 6 sc, Cl in next sc, sc in last 5 sc, turn—30 clusters.

**Row 17:** Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

**Rows 18–43:** Repeat Rows 14–17 six times, and then repeat Rows 14 and 15

once more.

**Rows 44–48:** Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

**Row 49:** Repeat Row 7.

**Rows 50–54:** Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

**Row 55:** Ch 1, sc in each st across; do not turn. Do not fasten off.

**FINISHING**

**Edging**

**Row 1:** Pivot to work along short edge; ch 1, work 57 sc evenly spaced

across short edge, turn.

**Row 2:** Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.

**Row 3:** Ch 2, dc in next sc, \*skip next sc, dc in next sc, working behind dc

just made dc in skipped sc; repeat from \* to last sc, dc in last sc, turn.

**Row 4:** Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

**Rows 5–8:** Repeat Rows 3 and 4 twice.

**Row 9 (fringe):** Ch 1, slip st in first sc, \*ch 25, slip st in next sc; repeat

from \* across. Fasten off.

With RS facing, join yarn with slip st in corner of opposite short edge.

Repeat edging along opposite short edge.

Using yarn needle, weave in ends.

**Friendship  
Shawl with Simply Soft by Caron**

**designed by Kim Guzman**

*Prayer Shawl Note: This is a very pretty shawl. If you get frustrated while working on it, stop and pray. This is a pattern that requires some attention on your part. Don’t forget to lift the wearer of the shawl in prayer as you work.*

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