Baby ice skate booties

6 to 12 months, foot 4½ in (11.5 cm) · US terms



Finished size

The sole is about 4½ in (11.5 cm) long and about 1¾ in (4.5 cm) wide; the opening is about 7 in (18 cm) round. The leg, above the ankle, is about 3 in (7.5 cm) tall (rows 1 to 13 of the leg), and the cuff about 1 in (2.5 cm) deep (rows 14 to 17 of the leg). The blade, with its posts, adds about 1¼ in (3 cm) under the sole

To fit a foot of 4½ in (11.5 cm)

Skill

Intermediate

Yarn

Medium (4), 4 colors

Hook

4 mm (US G-6)

Gauge

16 stitches and 18 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)

In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn A: soft charcoal, the sole, the foot and the leg	**about 105 yd (96 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: rink red, the stripe above the sole, the tongue and the stripe of the cuff	**about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: ice white, the laces and the cuff	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: steel gray, the blades and the posts	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 85 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Hook: 4 mm (US G-6), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: 4 stitch markers, a yarn needle, scissors and a little stuffing.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. The estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge.

Sizes

Size	Foot	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Newborn to 3 months	3½ in (9 cm)	3½ in (9 cm) long, 1¼ in (3 cm) wide	about 130 yd (119 m)
3 to 6 months	4 in (10 cm)	4 in (10 cm) long, 1¾ in (4.5 cm) wide	about 150 yd (137 m)
6 to 12 months (this file)	**4½ in (11.5 cm)**	**4½ in (11.5 cm) long, 1¾ in (4.5 cm) wide**	**about 170 yd (155 m)**

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12 to 18 months	5 in (12.5 cm)	5 in (12.5 cm) long, 1¾ in (4.5 cm) wide	about 190 yd (174 m)

Gauge

16 stitches and 18 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

After Rnd 4, the last round of the sole, the sole is about 4½ in (11.5 cm) long and about 1¾ in (4.5 cm) wide.

Use any hook that gives you this. If you count more stitches than this in 4 in (10 cm), change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, to a smaller one.

Notes

- Measure the foot from the back of the heel to the tip of the longest toe and choose the size with the nearest foot length.
- The pattern makes a pair. The foot length is the length of the foot; the finished sole is about as long.
- The boot is worked from the sole up in one spiral: the rounds are not joined, and the first stitch of a round is worked into the first stitch of the round before. The first stitch of each round of the boot is at the back, a little to one side of the middle of the heel. Keep one marker in it and move it up every round.
- The right side, which is the outside, always faces you and the work is not turned, except in the parts and lines that say so.
- A ch 1 at the start of a row is not counted and is not worked into.
- To change color, work the last stitch before the change until its last loops are on the hook, then draw the new color through them. A color that rests for 4 rounds or fewer can wait on the inside and be drawn up again; cut one that rests longer, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).
- The booties are for a baby who does not walk yet: the blade is soft, is there for its looks and does not carry weight.
- Tie the laces with both ends short, look at them and at the seams of the posts each time the booties are worn, and take the booties off for sleep.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line are the stitches it has.

Instructions

6 to 12 months, foot 4½ in (11.5 cm). US terms.

ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **hdc** half double crochet (UK half treble), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **Rnd** round, **st** stitch, **sp** space.

BLO: only the loop away from you. **sk** skip, **RS** right side, the one that shows.

2 sc in next st: both in one stitch. **sc in next 10 sts**: one in each. **ch-1 sp**: the gap under the one chain; the hook goes in the gap.

[ ] 2 times: work what is inside 2 times in all.

(26 sc): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Special stitches

sc2tog (Single crochet 2 together (UK dc2tog)): Insert the hook in the next st, yarn over and draw up a loop, insert the hook in the st after it, yarn over and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on the hook. It makes 1 st of 2.

dc2tog (Double crochet 2 together (UK tr2tog)): Yarn over, insert the hook in the next st, draw up a loop, yarn over, draw through 2 loops; do the same in the st after it; yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on the hook. It makes 1 st of 2.

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Boot: make 2

Yarns in order of use: A, soft charcoal; B, rink red.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 13.	

Sole

☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 10 chs, 3 sc in last ch, working along the other side of the foundation ch, sc in next 10 chs, 2 sc in last ch	(26 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in each of next 3 sts, sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in each of next 2 sts	(32 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 11 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 11 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**	(38 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 12 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 2 times**, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 12 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 2 times**	(44 sc)

The sole, laid flat, is now about 4½ in (11.5 cm) long and about 1¾ in (4.5 cm) wide.

Sides

The next round is worked in the back loops only, which turns the sole up into the sides.

☐ **Rnd 5**	Sc in BLO of each st around	(44 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	With B, sc in each st around	(44 sc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	With A, sc in each st around	(44 sc)

Toe

The middle of the toe lies between stitches 20 and 21 of Rnd 7. Before you go on, fold the piece in half along its length, with the middle of the heel at one end: if the fold at the toe comes 1 or more stitches later in the round than that, because the spiral leans, work that many more stitches before the first hdc of every toe round and that many fewer after the last one.

☐ **Rnd 8**	Sc in next 14 sts, hdc in next st, dc in next st, **[**dc2tog**] 4 times**, dc in next st, hdc in next st, sc in next 18 sts	(32 sc, 2 hdc, 6 dc)
☐ **Rnd 9**	Sc in next 12 sts, hdc in next st, dc in next st, **[**dc2tog**] 4 times**, dc in next st, hdc in next st, sc in next 16 sts	(28 sc, 2 hdc, 6 dc)
☐ **Rnd 10**	Sc in next 12 sts, hdc in next st, dc in next st, **[**dc2tog**] 2 times**, dc in next st, hdc in next st, sc in next 16 sts	(28 sc, 2 hdc, 4 dc)
☐ **Rnd 11**	Sc in next 11 sts, hdc in next st, dc in next st, **[**dc2tog**] 2 times**, dc in next st, hdc in next st, sc in next 15 sts	(26 sc, 2 hdc, 4 dc)
☐ **Rnd 12**	Sc in next 10 sts, hdc in next st, dc in next st, **[**dc2tog**] 2 times**, dc in next st, hdc in next st, sc in next 14 sts	(24 sc, 2 hdc, 4 dc)
☐ **Rnd 13**	Sc in next 9 sts, hdc in next st, dc in next st, **[**dc2tog**] 2 times**, dc in next st, hdc in next st, sc in next 13 sts	(22 sc, 2 hdc, 4 dc)

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☐ **Rnd 14**	Sc in each st around	(28 sc)
☐ **End**	Sl st in the next st to level the edge. Fasten off. The sl st is not a stitch of the edge: work into the sc that holds it as into any other. In Rnd 14, the last one, put markers in stitches 11 and 14; these two and the 2 stitches between them are the front, and the tongue stands on them. A spiral leans. Before you mark them, fold the boot flat along its length, with the middle of the heel at one fold: if the fold at the front comes 1 or more stitches later in the round than the place between stitches 12 and 13, add that many to every stitch number here.	

Leg: on each of the two

Yarns in order of use: A, soft charcoal; C, ice white; B, rink red.

☐ **Foundation**	With the right side facing, join A with a sl st in the first of 24 places, beginning in the stitch after the second marked one: 24 stitches of the boot. They go round the back and end in the stitch before the first marked one. Work one on each boot.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in same st as the join, sc in next 23 sts	(24 sc)

Each row with ch-1 spaces makes a pair of eyelets for the lace, one beside each front edge.

☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn, sc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, sc in next 20 sts, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	(22 sc, 2 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn, sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next 20 sts, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in last st	(24 sc)
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(24 sc)
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn, sc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, sc in next 20 sts, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	(22 sc, 2 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn, sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next 20 sts, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in last st	(24 sc)
☐ **Row 7**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(24 sc)
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn, sc in next st, ch 1, sk next st, sc in next 20 sts, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	(22 sc, 2 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 9**	Ch 1, turn, sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next 20 sts, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in last st	(24 sc)
☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(24 sc)
☐ **Rows 11 to 13**	Repeat row 10. (24 sc)	

11 12 13

Cuff

In the next row the back loops only are worked; that makes the line where the cuff folds down. In the cuff cut each color when the next one has been drawn through, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).

☐ **Row 14**	With C, ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	(24 sc)
☐ **Row 15**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(24 sc)

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☐ **Row 16**	With B, ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(24 sc)
☐ **Row 17**	With C, ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(24 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off. Fold the cuff, Rows 14 to 17, down over the outside of the leg.	

Tongue: on each of the two

Yarn B, rink red.

☐ **Foundation**	With the right side facing, join B with a sl st in the first of 4 places, beginning in the first marked stitch: 4 stitches of the boot. They end in the second marked stitch. Take the markers out. Work one on each boot.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	2 sc in same st as the join, sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st	(6 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(6 sc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(6 sc)
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(6 sc)
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(6 sc)
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(6 sc)
☐ **Row 7**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(6 sc)
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(6 sc)
☐ **Row 9**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(6 sc)
☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(6 sc)
☐ **Row 11**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(6 sc)
☐ **Row 12**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(6 sc)
☐ **Row 13**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(6 sc)
☐ **Row 14**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(6 sc)
☐ **Row 15**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog	(4 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off. The tongue lies behind the two front edges of the leg and stands a little above them; its own edges stay free.	

Lace: make 2

Yarn C, ice white.

☐ **Foundation**	With C, make a slip knot.	
☐ **Row 1**	Ch 110	(110 ch)
☐ **End**	Fasten off and weave both tails back into the chain.	

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Blade: make 2

Yarn D, steel gray.

☐ **Foundation**	With D, ch 17.	
	The blade is worked in a spiral: the rounds are not joined, and the first stitch of Rnd 2 goes into the first stitch of Rnd 1.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 14 chs, 3 sc in last ch, working along the other side of the foundation ch, sc in next 14 chs, 2 sc in last ch	(34 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 14 sts, 2 sc in each of next 3 sts, sc in next 14 sts, 2 sc in each of next 2 sts	(40 sc)
☐ **End**	Sl st in the next st to level the edge. Fasten off. The sl st is not a stitch of the edge. Fold the oval in half along its foundation ch, right side out. The fold lies between the last 2 stitches of Rnd 2 at one end and between stitches 19 and 20 at the other, so that 20 stitches of one half lie on 20 of the other.	

Blade edge: make 2

Yarn D, steel gray.

☐ **Foundation**	Hold the folded blade with the open edge upward, its two halves together, and turned so that the half with the first stitches of Rnd 2, 1 to 19, faces you: the pair of the last two stitches of Rnd 2 is then at one end, and the other pairs lie ahead of it in the direction in which you work. Work through both loops of both stitches of a pair: join D with a sl st in the first of 20 places, each of them a pair of stitches that lie on one another, one of each half, beginning with the last two stitches of Rnd 2, 39 and 40: 20 stitches of the blade; each is worked together with the one behind it. It closes the blade; its tails are pushed inside.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in same st as the join, sc in next 19 sts	(20 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off. The worked edge is the runner, at the bottom; the straight fold is the top of the blade.	

Post: make 4

Yarn D, steel gray.

☐ **Foundation**	With D, ch 6, taking care not to twist it, and sl st in the first ch to make a ring. Leave a tail of 8 in (20.5 cm) at the start to sew with.	
	From here the post is worked in a spiral: Rnd 1 begins in the first ch, the one that holds the sl st, and the rounds are not joined: the first stitch of a round goes into the first stitch of the round before.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Sc in each ch around	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Sc in each st around	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Sc in each st around	(6 sc)
☐ **End**	Sl st in the next st and fasten off, leaving a tail of 12 in (30.5 cm). Press the tube flat, so that each layer has 3 stitches. Push a pinch of stuffing into it and leave both tails outside.	

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Finishing

- Posts and blade: the blade is 16 chains long at the fold and the line along the middle of the sole, its foundation ch, has 12 chains with stitches. Count both from the heel end: on the sole that is the end where its rounds begin, and the end where the rounds of the blade begin is taken as its heel end too. On the blade, sew the foundation edge of a flat post upright on the fold over chains 3 to 5, and another over chains 12 to 14: with the tail from the start, take the needle through the 3 chains of one layer and the fold, then through the 3 of the other layer and the fold. Stand the boot on its top. Sew the last round of the first post to the sole over chains 1 to 3 of the middle line and that of the second post over chains 10 to 12, in the same way and with the long tail, once along each side of the post; take the needle only through the thickness of the sole, not into the inside of the boot. The blade now stands straight under the middle of the sole, one post under the heel and one under the ball of the foot, and reaches past the sole by as much at the toe as at the heel.
- Make the second boot the same; left and right are alike.
- Laces: lay the middle of a lace across the tongue at the lowest pair of eyelets, under the two front edges of the leg, and bring each end out to the front through the eyelet on its own side, with the hook. Cross the two ends over the tongue; take each one under the other front edge and out through the next eyelet above. Do the same up to the highest pair. The lowest eyelets are those of Row 2 of the leg and the highest those of Row 8. Tie the two ends in a bow over the tongue, just above the highest pair.
- Weave in every tail on the inside; on the cuff, on the side that the fold hides.

In all: 12 pieces; 2,460 stitches (500 in each boot, 402 in each leg, 88 in each tongue, 110 in each lace, 74 in each blade, 20 in each blade edge, 18 in each post).

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