Baby knee high socks

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



Finished size

The foot is about 4¼ in (11 cm) long from the back of the heel to the toe and 4¾ in (12 cm) round (28 stitches); the leg is 5¼ in (13.5 cm) long (21 rounds of the leg) and, unstretched, 6 in (15 cm) round (36 stitches)

To fit a foot of 4½ in (11.5 cm)

Skill

Intermediate

Yarn

Fine (2), 2 colors

Hook

3 mm

Gauge

24 stitches and 28 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)

In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn A: white, the socks **about 130 yd (119 m), an estimate**

Yarn B: sage, the heels, the toes and the bows **about 40 yd (37 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 50 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 350 yd (320 m).

Hook: 3 mm, or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a hook 1 mm larger (4 mm, US G-6) for the foundation ch, a tape measure, a yarn needle and scissors.

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)	3¼ in (8.5 cm) long, 4 in (10 cm) round	about 110 yd (101 m)
3 to 6 months	4 in (10 cm)	3½ in (9 cm) long, 4¾ in (12 cm) round	about 145 yd (133 m)
6 to 12 months (this file)	**4½ in (11.5 cm)**	**4¼ in (11 cm) long, 4¾ in (12 cm) round**	**about 170 yd (155 m)**
12 to 18 months	5 in (12.5 cm)	4¾ in (12 cm) long, 5¼ in (13.5 cm) round	about 215 yd (197 m)
18 to 24 months	5½ in (14 cm)	5¼ in (13.5 cm) long, 5¼ in (13.5 cm) round	about 240 yd (219 m)

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Gauge

24 stitches and 28 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

In double crochet, for the mesh: 14½ rounds to 4 in (10 cm); the 2 dc and the ch of a pair take 3 stitches of the round. In the ribbing: 17½ rounds. In half double crochet: 24 stitches and 22 rounds. When the ribbing and 2 rounds of mesh are done, lay the leg flat and measure across the mesh: about 3 in (7.5 cm).

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; halfway between two sizes, take the larger. The sock is worked a little shorter than the foot, as the sizes say, and stretches to it; the leg reaches to just below the knee.
- Work one whole sock, every part in the order it is printed, then the second sock in the same way. The leg, the heel flap and the foot are each worked onto the part before; only the bow and its ends are worked apart and sewn on. The order is leg, heel flap, foot, bow, ends of the bow.
- In the leg the rounds are joined and not turned: the ch 1 or ch 2 at the start does not count as a stitch, the first stitch goes into the stitch at its foot, which is the first stitch of the round before, the one that holds the joining sl st (a post stitch goes round the post of that stitch), and the sl st that closes the round goes into the top of its first stitch. In Rnd 1 the first stitch goes into the first ch of the ring. In the first round of mesh the stitch at the foot of the ch 2 is the one that is skipped first.
- Where the line of a round says turn, the rounds are joined and then turned, so that the right side and the wrong side face you in turn. The ch 1 at the start of a round does not count as a stitch. After the turn the first stitch goes into the last stitch of the round before, and the last stitch goes into the first stitch of the round before, the one that holds the joining sl st. Do not work into the sl st or into the starting ch. The rows of the heel and of the bow are turned in the plain way, and their ch 1 does not count either.
- Where a round begins in the end of a row, the words "same st as the join" mean the row end in which the yarn was joined. In a row end the needle or the hook goes under two strands of the stitch that stands there.
- The top edge has to stretch: work the foundation ch loosely, with a hook 1 mm larger. A mercerized cotton in B gives the bow and the heels a satin look.
- After a joined round, draw the new color through with the sl st that closes it, and cut the old color, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line are the stitches it has.
- Try the sock on as you go: about 7 rounds are 1 in (2.5 cm). A sock a little shorter than the foot stays on and lies smooth.

Instructions

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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.
sk skip, **RS** right side, the one that shows.
ch-1 sp: the gap under the one chain; the hook goes in the gap.
[ ] 18 times: work what is inside 18 times in all. **( )**: all of it goes into the one place.
(36 dc): 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.

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hdc2tog (Half double crochet 2 together (UK htr2tog)): Yarn over, insert the hook in the next st and draw up a loop, yarn over, insert the hook in the st after it and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through all 5 loops on the hook. It makes 1 st of 2.

FPdc (Front post double crochet (UK raised treble at the front)): Yarn over, insert the hook from the front to the back and to the front again round the post (the upright part) of the st, yarn over and draw up a loop, [yarn over, draw through 2 loops] 2 times. Leave the top of that st unworked.

BPdc (Back post double crochet (UK raised treble at the back)): Yarn over, insert the hook from the back to the front and to the back again round the post of the st, yarn over and draw up a loop, [yarn over, draw through 2 loops] 2 times. Leave the top of that st unworked.

Leg: make 2, once for each sock

Yarn A, white.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 36 with the larger hook, taking care not to twist it, and sl st in the first ch to make a ring. Change to the smaller hook.	

Ribbing

☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 2, dc in each ch around, sl st in first dc to join	(36 dc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 2, **[**FPdc around next st, BPdc around next st**] 18 times**, sl st in first FPdc to join	(18 FPdc, 18 BPdc)
☐ **Rnds 3 to 5**	Repeat rnd 2. (18 FPdc, 18 BPdc)	

3 4 5

Mesh

☐ **Rnd 6**	Ch 2, **[**sk next st, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 12 times**, sl st in first dc to join	(24 dc, 12 ch-1 sps)

In the next rounds the first pair of dc goes into the first ch-1 sp, the one just past the dc that was joined.

☐ **Rnd 7**	Ch 2, **[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-1 sp**] 12 times**, sl st in first dc to join	(24 dc, 12 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Rnds 8 to 19**	Repeat rnd 7. (24 dc, 12 ch-1 sps)	

8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19

Ankle

☐ **Rnd 20**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next st**] 12 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnd 21**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 7 sts, sc2tog**] 4 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(32 sc)
☐ **End**	Draw the leg over the heel, or stretch it to 6½ in (16.5 cm) round, before you go on; if it does not give so far, work the leg again with a larger hook. Fasten off.	

Heel flap: make 2, once for each sock

Yarn B, sage.

☐ **Foundation**	With the right side facing, join B with a sl st in the first of 18 places, beginning with the first sc of the last round of the leg: 18 stitches of the leg. The other 14 stitches of the leg are left free for the top of the foot.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, sc in same st as the join, sc in next 17 sts	(18 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(18 sc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(18 sc)
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(18 sc)

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☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(18 sc)
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(18 sc)
☐ **Row 7**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(18 sc)
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(18 sc)
☐ **Row 9**	Ch 1, turn, sc in next 7 sts, **[**sc2tog**] 2 times**, sc in next 7 sts	(16 sc)
☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn, sc in next 6 sts, **[**sc2tog**] 2 times**, sc in next 6 sts	(14 sc)
☐ **End**	The flap has 10 rows. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 12 in (30.5 cm). Fold the last row in half with the right sides together, so that its first stitch meets its last, and sew the 7 pairs of stitches together, through both loops of each, from the edges, where the tail hangs, to the fold. The seam runs under the heel. Turn the heel right side out: it is a small cup.	

Foot: make 2, once for each sock

Yarns in order of use: A, white; B, sage.

☐ **Foundation**	With the right side facing, join A with a sl st in the first of 34 places, beginning at the front end of the seam under the heel, where the first and the last stitch of its last row meet, and going up along the edge of the flap: 10 row ends of the heel flap, then 14 stitches of the leg, then 10 row ends of the heel flap. The 14 stitches of the leg are the ones that were left free.	

Gusset

☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, sc in same st as the join, sc in end of each of next 9 rows, sc in next 14 sts, sc in end of each of next 10 rows, sl st in first sc to join	(34 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, turn, hdc in next 8 sts, hdc2tog, hdc in next 14 sts, hdc2tog, hdc in next 8 sts, sl st in first hdc to join	(32 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, turn, hdc in next 7 sts, hdc2tog, hdc in next 14 sts, hdc2tog, hdc in next 7 sts, sl st in first hdc to join	(30 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1, turn, hdc in next 6 sts, hdc2tog, hdc in next 14 sts, hdc2tog, hdc in next 6 sts, sl st in first hdc to join	(28 hdc)

Foot

☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 1, turn, hdc in each st around, sl st in first hdc to join	(28 hdc)
☐ **Rnds 6 to 12**	Repeat rnd 5. (28 hdc)	

6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12

Measure the foot from the back of the heel: it is now about 3¼ in (8.5 cm) long, and the toe adds about ¾ in (2 cm). For a longer or a shorter foot add rounds here or leave some out: 5½ rounds of half double crochet are about 1 in (2.5 cm).

Toe

☐ **Rnd 13**	With B, ch 1, turn, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(28 sc)
☐ **Rnd 14**	Ch 1, turn, sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts, sl st in first sc to join	(24 sc)
☐ **Rnd 15**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(24 sc)
☐ **Rnd 16**	Ch 1, turn, sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 6 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 3 sts, sl st in first sc to join	(20 sc)
☐ **Rnd 17**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(20 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 18**	Ch 1, turn, sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts, sl st in first sc to join	(16 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 12 in (30.5 cm). Lay the toe flat so that the join is in the middle of the sole: stitches 5 to 12 of the last round are the top, the other 8 are the sole. Take the tail on the needle along the inside of the last round to the side, between its 4th and 5th stitches. From there sew the 8 pairs of stitches together in a straight line from the outside, through both loops of each, the 5th to the 4th, the 6th to the 3rd, and so on across; stitch 12 meets stitch 13 at the other side.	

Bow: make 2, once for each sock

Yarn B, sage.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, ch 13.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each ch across	(12 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(12 sc)
☐ **Rows 3 to 5** 3 4 5	Repeat row 2. (12 sc)	
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 24 in (61 cm). Take the tail on the needle along the top of Row 5 to the middle, between its 6th and 7th stitches. From there sew a line of running stitches across the 5 rows to the foundation chain and a second line back to the top, pull them tight, wind the tail tightly 6 times round the middle, fasten it at the back and keep the rest to sew with.	

Ends of the bow: make 2, once for each sock

Yarn B, sage.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, ch 19.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each ch across	(18 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(18 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 12 in (30.5 cm) to sew with.	

Finishing

- The two socks are alike; only the bow makes a left and a right. The first round of mesh has 12 pairs of dc: number them from the beginning of the round, in the direction it was worked. On one sock mark the 1st pair, on the other the 7th; these lie on the two sides of the leg, and each sock is worn with its bow on the outer side. Ends: fold a strip of ends in two, so that the two halves hang down side by side like an upside-down V, with the fold on the marked pair, and sew it down all round with its tail. Bow: lay it over the fold, with its wound middle on the marked pair and its wings level, and sew it down with its tail, the middle with 6 stitches and then the inner two thirds of each wing along both edges, so that only the tips stay free.
- Weave in every tail on the inside.

In all: 6 pieces.

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