Baby moccasins with embroidery

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; round the opening it measures about 6¼ in (16 cm), 22 stitches of the collar and 9 of the apron
To fit a foot of 4½ in (11.5 cm)

Skill
Intermediate

Yarn
Light (3), 5 colors

Hook
3.5 mm (US E-4)

Gauge
20 stitches and 23 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: sand, the sole, the sides, the seam and the collar	**about 55 yd (50 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: cream, the apron and the turned part of the collar	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: brick, the cord and crosses	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: teal, crosses	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: gold, crosses	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**

Hook: 3.5 mm (US E-4), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a stitch marker, 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
3 to 6 months	4 in (10 cm)	4 in (10 cm) long, 1¾ in (4.5 cm) wide	about 85 yd (78 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 90 yd (82 m)**
12 to 18 months	5 in (12.5 cm)	5 in (12.5 cm) long, 1¾ in (4.5 cm) wide	about 100 yd (91 m)
18 to 24 months	5½ in (14 cm)	5½ in (14 cm) long, 2 in (5 cm) wide	about 110 yd (101 m)

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Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

BLO	back loop only: of the two loops at the top of the stitch, work under the one farther from you
sl st	slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
ch	chain stitch
RS	right side
Rnd	round
st	stitch
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)

Special stitches

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.

cross stitch over a sc: With the yarn needle, bring the yarn up at the lower left corner of the sc and take it down at the upper right corner, then up at the lower right corner and down at the upper left corner. One cross covers one sc. Let the upper leg of every cross slant the same way. It leaves 1 cross stitch over a sc for the next row or round.

Gauge

20 stitches and 23 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

After 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.

Before you start

- 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 finished sole is about as long as the foot.
- The piece is worked from the sole up in one spiral: the rounds are not joined. Put a marker in the first stitch of each round and move it up every round.
- The right side always faces you and the work is not turned, except in the parts that are in rows.
- To change color, work the last stitch of the row before the change until its last loops are on the hook, then draw the new color through them. Cut the old color, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm), unless it comes back within 2 rows: then let it wait at that edge.
- For a baby keep the bow of the cord short, and take the moccasins off for sleep.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line are the stitches it has.

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Instructions

Chosen: 6 to 12 months, foot 4½ in (11.5 cm). Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a round is done. In UK terms sl st is slip stitch and sc is double crochet.

Moccasin: make 2

Yarn A, sand.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 16.	

Sole

☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 13 chs, 3 sc in last ch, working along the other side of the foundation ch, sc in next 13 chs, 2 sc in last ch	**(32 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 13 sts, 2 sc in each of next 3 sts, sc in next 13 sts, 2 sc in each of next 2 sts	**(38 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 14 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 14 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(44 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 15 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 2 times**, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 15 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 2 times**	**(50 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 16 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 2 times**, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 16 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 2 times**	**(56 sc)**

The sole, laid flat, is now about 4½ in (11.5 cm) long and about 1¾ in (4.5 cm) wide. The middle of the heel lies between the last two stitches of a round, and the middle of the toe is opposite.

Sides

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

☐ **Rnd 6**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(56 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	Sc in each st around	**(56 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	Sc in each st around	**(56 sc)**

Toe

One round gathers the toe. Its decreases lie opposite the heel.

☐ **Rnd 9**	Sc in next 14 sts, **[**dc2tog**] 13 times**, sc in next 16 sts	**(30 sc, 13 dc)**
☐ **End**	Sl st in the next st to level the edge. Fasten off. This sl st is not a stitch of the round: later, work through it and the stitch under it as one.	

Apron: make 2

Yarn B, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, ch 6.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each ch across	**(5 sc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(7 sc)**
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(9 sc)**

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☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(9 sc)**
☐ **Rows 5 to 8**	Repeat row 4. (9 sc)	

A box for each row, 5 to 8: tick them off as you go.

5 6 7 8

☐ **End**	Fasten off. Hide both tails on the wrong side. Then work the motif on the right side, with about 20 in (51 cm) of each color, with the foundation chain toward you, one cross stitch over one sc, with the needle. Read the sc from left to right. Row 2 (7 sc): skip 3 sc, 1 cross in D, and leave the last 3 sc. Row 3 (9 sc): skip 3 sc, 1 cross in C, 1 cross in E, 1 cross in C, and leave the last 3 sc. Row 4 (9 sc): skip 2 sc, 1 cross in D, 1 cross in E, 1 cross in C, 1 cross in E, 1 cross in D, and leave the last 2 sc. Row 5 (9 sc): skip 3 sc, 1 cross in C, 1 cross in E, 1 cross in C, and leave the last 3 sc. Row 6 (9 sc): skip 4 sc, 1 cross in D, and leave the last 4 sc.	

Seam: make 2

Yarn A, sand.

☐ **Foundation**	Lay the apron in the toe with its foundation chain at the front, wrong sides together and edges level, and hold the moccasin with its outside toward you. Work every stitch through both loops of the moccasin and then through the edge of the apron: join A with a sl st in the first of 21 places: 21 stitches of the moccasin. They are stitches 11 to 31 of Rnd 9. They are matched, in order, with 8 row ends of the apron from Row 8 down to Row 1, its 5 foundation chains, and its other 8 row ends from Row 1 up to Row 8.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in same st as the join, sc in next 20 sts	**(21 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off and take both tails to the inside.	

Collar: make 2

Yarns in order of use: A, sand; B, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	With the right side facing, join A with a sl st in the first of 22 places: 22 stitches of the moccasin. They are the stitches that the seam left: from stitch 32 of Rnd 9 to the end of the round, then stitches 1 to 10. The edge of the apron stays as it is.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in same st as the join, sc in next 21 sts	**(22 sc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(22 sc)**
☐ **Row 3**	With B, ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(22 sc)**
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(22 sc)**
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(22 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off. Turn Rows 3 to 5 down over the outside and sew each corner of Row 5 to the side of the moccasin with a stitch or two, just behind the end of the seam.	

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Cord: make 2

Yarn C, brick.

☐ **Foundation**	With C, make a slip knot.	
☐ **Row 1**	Ch 120	**(120 ch)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off and weave both tails back into the chain.	

Finishing

- Cord: it lies under the turned collar and begins and ends at the heel. Lift the collar. Between stitches 11 and 12 of Row 1 of the collar take one end of a cord from the outside to the inside. Pass it under one stitch and over the next, in and out, down one side of the collar, then in the same way through the last row of the apron, and up the other side of the collar, until it comes out where it began; pass over two stitches together near the end if you must, so that it comes out there. Draw the two ends level and tie them in a bow below the edge of the collar.
- Make the second moccasin the same; left and right are alike.
- Weave in the other tails on the inside.

In all: 6 pieces; 1,496 stitches (431 in each moccasin, 66 in each apron, 21 in each seam, 110 in each collar, 120 in each cord).

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