# Baby monster pants

6-12 months, to fit waist 18½ in (47 cm) · US terms



Finished size
**About 20 in (51 cm) at the waist and about 22 in (56 cm) at the hip**
To fit a waist of 18½ in (47 cm) and a hip of 19 in (48.5 cm)

Skill
**Easy**
Basic stitches in rounds, with small pieces sewn on

Yarn
**Light (3), 3 colors**

Hook
**4.5 mm (US 7)**

Gauge
**16 stitches and 13½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)**
In half double crochet (UK half treble).

## What you need

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|---|---|
| Yarn A: lime, main color | **about 275 yd (251 m), an estimate** |
| Yarn B: purple, contrast | **about 135 yd (123 m), an estimate** |
| Yarn C: white, the large eye, the small eye and the teeth | **about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate** |

By weight: about 170 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 250 yd (229 m).

Hook: 4.5 mm (US 7), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: yarn needle, scissors and tape measure.

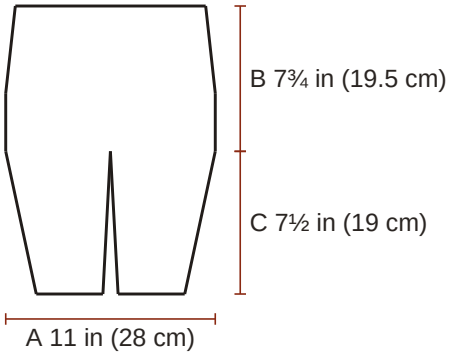
To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. The estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge.

## Sizes

| Size | To fit waist | Yarn, an estimate | Waist before it is drawn in | Around the hip | Waist to crotch | Around each leg at the top | Around each cuff | Leg from crotch to the end of the cuff |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **3-6 months** | 17½ in (44.5 cm) | about 390 yd (357 m) | 19 in (48.5 cm) | 21 in (53.5 cm) | 7¾ in (19.5 cm) | 12½ in (32 cm) | 7 in (18 cm) | 6½ in (16.5 cm) |
| **6-12 months (this file)** | **18½ in (47 cm)** | **about 435 yd (398 m)** | **20 in (51 cm)** | **22 in (56 cm)** | **7¾ in (19.5 cm)** | **13 in (33 cm)** | **7 in (18 cm)** | **7½ in (19 cm)** |
| **12-18 months** | 19½ in (49.5 cm) | about 505 yd (462 m) | 21 in (53.5 cm) | 23 in (58.5 cm) | 8¼ in (21 cm) | 13½ in (34.5 cm) | 7½ in (19 cm) | 8¾ in (22 cm) |
| **18-24 months** | 20 in (51 cm) | about 575 yd (526 m) | 22 in (56 cm) | 24 in (61 cm) | 8¾ in (22 cm) | 14 in (35.5 cm) | 8 in (20.5 cm) | 9¾ in (25 cm) |


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## Schematic




**Laid flat**
A half the way around the hip
B the waist to crotch
C the waist to crotch

## Gauge

**16 stitches and 13½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)** in half double crochet.

> **The swatch.** A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. Ch 25; begin in the 2nd ch from the hook and work 20 rows of half double crochet on 24 sts, about 6 in (15 cm) wide and 6 in (15 cm) high, and measure 4 in (10 cm) in the middle. Use a larger hook if your swatch is small, a smaller one if it is large. Single crochet (UK: double crochet): 16 sts and 18.5 rounds or rows to 4 in (10 cm). Cuffs: one round of double crochet and two of post stitches are about 1¼ in (3.2 cm) high together.

## Notes

- The hip is 3 in (7.5 cm) wider than the body measurement, to go over a diaper (UK: nappy). The waist, before the cord is drawn in, is 1 in (2.5 cm) wider than the hip measurement, so that the pants pull on. Choose by the finished measurement you like; no fit is promised beyond the measurements given.
- The rounds are not turned; the right side always faces you. The chain at the start of a round or a row (ch 1 for single and half double crochet, ch 2 for double crochet) never counts as a stitch. Work the first stitch into the stitch at its base.
- The mouth and the teeth are worked in rows that are turned; the cord is one row.
- A decrease counts as one stitch.
- To work a post stitch around a dc2tog, take the hook around both of its legs together.
- Color changes in rounds: work the sl st that joins the round before with the new yarn. Cut the old yarn, leaving an end of about 6 in (15 cm), or, if it is needed again within 6 rnds, carry it loosely up the inside at the join.
- Whip stitch: hold the two edges together, put the needle through both from back to front, bring the yarn over the edges and go in again from the back, one stitch along.


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# 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), **tr** treble crochet (UK double treble), **Rnd** round, **st** stitch, **sp** space.

**RS** right side, the one that shows.

**2 hdc in next st**: both in one stitch. **hdc in next 9 sts**: one in each. **ch-1 sp**: the gap under the one chain; the hook goes in the gap.

**[ ] 40 times**: work what is inside 40 times in all.

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

## Special stitches

**sc2tog (single crochet 2 stitches together (UK double crochet 2 together)):** Insert the hook in the next stitch and pull up a loop, insert the hook in the following stitch and pull up a loop (3 loops on the hook); yarn over and pull through all 3 loops.

**hdc2tog (half double crochet 2 stitches together (UK half treble 2 together)):** [yarn over, insert the hook in the next stitch and pull up a loop] twice (5 loops on the hook); yarn over and pull through all 5 loops.

**dc2tog (double crochet 2 stitches together (UK treble 2 together)):** [yarn over, insert the hook in the next stitch and pull up a loop, yarn over and pull through 2 loops] twice (3 loops on the hook); yarn over and pull through all 3 loops.

**fpdc (front post double crochet (UK front post treble)):** Yarn over, insert the hook from the front to the back and to the front again around the post of the stitch named, pull up a loop, [yarn over and pull through 2 loops] twice. The front is the side that faces you. A post stitch takes the place of the stitch it is worked around: do not work into the top of that stitch as well.

**bpdc (back post double crochet (UK back post treble)):** As fpdc, but insert the hook from the back to the front and to the back again around the post.

## Body

**Yarn B, purple.**

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|---|---|---|
| ☐ **Foundation** | Work the foundation chain loosely: it must open as wide as the hips. With yarn B, ch 80; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring, taking care not to twist the chain. Colors: rnds 1 to 4 yarn B; rnds 5 to 26 yarn A. | |
| ☐ **Rnd 1** | Ch 1; sc in each ch around; join with sl st in first sc | (80 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 2** | Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc | (80 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 3** | Ch 2; **[**dc in next st, ch 1, skip next st**] 40 times**; join with sl st in first dc | (40 dc, 40 ch-1 sps) |
| ☐ **Rnd 4** | Ch 1; **[**sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 40 times**; join with sl st in first sc | (80 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 5** | Ch 1; **[**hdc in next 9 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 8 times**; join with sl st in first hdc | (88 hdc) |
| ☐ **Rnds 6 to 26** | Ch 1; hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc | (88 hdc) |
| ☐ **End** | Fasten off. | |

6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26


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## First leg

**Yarn A, lime.**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| ☐ **Foundation** | Colors, counted from rnd 1: 2 rnds yarn A, 2 rnds yarn B; repeat these 4 rnds to rnd 21 (the last repeat stops part way); rnds 22 to 24 yarn B. With the right side facing, join yarn A in the 45th st of rnd 26, at the middle of the front; ch 8 for the crotch, sl st in the first st of the rnd, at the middle of the back. Ch 1, hdc in that same st and in each of the next 43 sts, then hdc in each of the 8 crotch chs (52 hdc); join with sl st in first hdc. This is rnd 1. | |
| ☐ **Rnd 2** | Ch 1; hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc | (52 hdc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 3** | Ch 1; hdc2tog, hdc in each st around to last 2 sts, hdc2tog; join with sl st in first hdc2tog | (50 hdc) |
| ☐ **Rnds 4 to 11** | Repeat Rnds 2 and 3, 4 more times (48, 46, 44, 42 hdc at the ends of the repeats) | (42 hdc) |
| | 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 | |
| ☐ **Rnd 12** | Ch 1; hdc2tog, hdc in each st around to last 2 sts, hdc2tog; join with sl st in first hdc2tog | (40 hdc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 13** | Ch 1; hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc | (40 hdc) |
| ☐ **Rnds 14 to 21** | Repeat Rnds 12 and 13, 4 more times (38, 36, 34, 32 hdc at the ends of the repeats) | (32 hdc) |
| | 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 | |
| ☐ **Rnd 22** | Ch 2; **[**dc in next 6 sts, dc2tog**] 4 times**; join with sl st in first dc | (28 dc) |
| ☐ **Rnds 23 to 24** | Ch 2; **[**fpdc around next st, bpdc around next st**] 14 times**; join with sl st in first fpdc | (14 fpdcs, 14 bpdcs) |
| | 23 24 | |
| ☐ **End** | Fasten off. | |

## Second leg

**Yarn A, lime.**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| ☐ **Foundation** | Colors, counted from rnd 1: 2 rnds yarn A, 2 rnds yarn B; repeat these 4 rnds to rnd 21 (the last repeat stops part way); rnds 22 to 24 yarn B. With the right side facing, join yarn A in the st of rnd 26 that the crotch chain begins in, at the middle of the front; ch 1, hdc in that st and in each of the next 43 sts, then hdc in each of the 8 crotch chs along their free side (52 hdc); join with sl st in first hdc. This is rnd 1. | |
| ☐ **Rnd 2** | Ch 1; hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc | (52 hdc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 3** | Ch 1; hdc2tog, hdc in each st around to last 2 sts, hdc2tog; join with sl st in first hdc2tog | (50 hdc) |
| ☐ **Rnds 4 to 11** | Repeat Rnds 2 and 3, 4 more times (48, 46, 44, 42 hdc at the ends of the repeats) | (42 hdc) |
| | 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 | |
| ☐ **Rnd 12** | Ch 1; hdc2tog, hdc in each st around to last 2 sts, hdc2tog; join with sl st in first hdc2tog | (40 hdc) |


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| ☐ **Rnd 13** | Ch 1; hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc | (40 hdc) |
| ☐ **Rnds 14 to 21** | Repeat Rnds 12 and 13, 4 more times (38, 36, 34, 32 hdc at the ends of the repeats) | (32 hdc) |
| | 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 | |
| ☐ **Rnd 22** | Ch 2; **[**dc in next 6 sts, dc2tog**] 4 times**; join with sl st in first dc | (28 dc) |
| ☐ **Rnds 23 to 24** | Ch 2; **[**fpdc around next st, bpdc around next st**] 14 times**; join with sl st in first fpdc | (14 fpdcs, 14 bpdcs) |
| | 23 24 | |
| ☐ **End** | Fasten off. The crotch needs no seam. If there is a small gap at either end of the crotch chain, close it with the yarn ends there. | |

## Large eye

**Yarn C, white.**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| ☐ **Foundation** | With yarn C, ch 4; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring. | |
| ☐ **Rnd 1** | Ch 1; 6 sc in ring; join with sl st in first sc | (6 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 2** | Ch 1; 2 sc in each of next 6 sts; join with sl st in first sc | (12 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 3** | Ch 1; **[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc | (18 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 4** | Ch 1; **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc | (24 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 5** | Ch 1; **[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc | (30 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 6** | Ch 1; **[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc | (36 sc) |
| ☐ **End** | Fasten off, leaving an end of about 30 in (75 cm) for sewing. | |

## Small eye

**Yarn C, white.**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| ☐ **Foundation** | With yarn C, ch 4; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring. | |
| ☐ **Rnd 1** | Ch 1; 6 sc in ring; join with sl st in first sc | (6 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 2** | Ch 1; 2 sc in each of next 6 sts; join with sl st in first sc | (12 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 3** | Ch 1; **[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc | (18 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 4** | Ch 1; **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc | (24 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 5** | Ch 1; **[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc | (30 sc) |
| ☐ **End** | Fasten off, leaving an end of about 25 in (65 cm) for sewing. | |


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## Pupil: make 2

**Yarn B, purple.**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| ☐ **Foundation** | With yarn B, ch 4; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring. | |
| ☐ **Rnd 1** | Ch 1; 6 sc in ring; join with sl st in first sc | (6 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 2** | Ch 1; 2 sc in each of next 6 sts; join with sl st in first sc | (12 sc) |
| ☐ **Rnd 3** | Ch 1; **[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc | (18 sc) |
| ☐ **End** | Fasten off, leaving an end of about 15 in (40 cm) for sewing. | |

## Mouth

**Yarn B, purple.**

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|---|---|---|
| ☐ **Foundation** | With yarn B, ch 26. | |
| ☐ **Row 1 (RS)** | Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across | (25 sc) |
| ☐ **Rows 2 to 5**<br>2 3 4 5 | Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across | (25 sc) |
| ☐ **Rows 6 to 7**<br>6 7 | Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in each st across to last 2 sts, sc2tog | (21 sc) |
| ☐ **Rows 8 to 10**<br>8 9 10 | Ch 1, turn; sc2tog twice, sc in each st across to last 4 sts, sc2tog twice | (9 sc) |
| ☐ **End** | Fasten off, leaving an end of about 45 in (115 cm) for sewing. | |

## Teeth

**Yarn C, white.**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| ☐ **Foundation** | With yarn C, ch 26. | |
| ☐ **Row 1 (RS)** | Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across | (25 sc) |
| ☐ **Row 2** | Ch 1, turn; **[**sc in next st, dc in next st, tr in next st, dc in next st, sc in next st**] 5 times** | (10 sc, 10 dc, 5 tr) |
| ☐ **End** | Each tr is the point of a tooth: there are five teeth. Fasten off, leaving an end of about 45 in (115 cm) for sewing. | |

## Cord

**Yarn A, lime.**

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|---|---|---|
| ☐ **Foundation** | With yarn A, ch 151. | |
| ☐ **Row 1** | Sl st in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across | (150 sl sts) |
| ☐ **End** | The cord is about 32½ in (82.5 cm) long (the slip stitches draw the chain in). Fasten off. | |


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### Assembly

**1.** The face is on the back, where the rounds of the body begin: the line of their joins is the middle of the back. Lay the pants with the back up and the waist uppermost.

**2.** Mouth: lay it across the back of the body, right side up, with its foundation chain uppermost along the line between rnds 17 and 18, and its 13th ch, the middle one of the 25, on the middle of the back. Whip stitch it down all round with its own end. Teeth: lay the teeth on the mouth, the side that faced you in row 2 toward you and the teeth down, with their foundation chain along the foundation chain of the mouth, 25 chs on 25 chs. Whip stitch them down all round with their own end.

**3.** Eyes: lay a pupil on each eye, right sides up, in the middle of it from side to side, with 1 rnd of the eye showing below it, and whip stitch it down all round with its own end. Put the large eye to the left of the middle, as you look at the back, and the small eye to the right. Turn each eye so that its pupil is low; the lower edge of each eye lies on the line between rnds 15 and 16 of the body, and its inner edge is 1 st away from the middle of the back. Whip stitch each eye down all round with its own end.

**4.** Thread the cord through the spaces of rnd 3 of the body, in and out, beginning and ending at the middle of the front: there are 40 spaces, counted from the join; go in at space 21 from the outside, come out at the next space, and so on around to space 20, where the cord comes out again. Knot each end of the cord and weave its yarn end into the knot. Draw the waist in until it sits well, and tie a bow.

**5.** See that the waist still pulls on over the diaper (UK: nappy), then sew the bow and the two ends of the cord flat to the waistband with a few stitches of yarn A, so that nothing hangs loose; snip these stitches when the waist is to be let out.

## Finishing

- Weave in all the ends. Wash as the yarn label says and lay flat to the measurements to dry.

In all: 8 pieces.

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