Baby overalls with a pocket

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 and rows, with buttonholes

Yarn
Light (3), 2 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

Yarn A: sienna, main color — **about 475 yd (434 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: cream, contrast — **about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 200 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, tape measure, 2 buttons, 5/8 in (15 mm) across and sewing thread and a sewing needle.

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	Around the waist	Around the hip	Waist to crotch	Around each leg at the top	Around each cuff	Leg from crotch to the end of the cuff	Bib, waist to top with the edging	Length of each strap
3-6 months	17½ in (44.5 cm)	about 440 yd (402 m)	19 in (48.5 cm)	21 in (53.5 cm)	7¼ in (18.5 cm)	12½ in (32 cm)	7 in (18 cm)	6½ in (16.5 cm)	4¼ in (11 cm)	13¾ in (35 cm)
6-12 months (this file)	**18½ in (47 cm)**	**about 490 yd (448 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)**	**4¾ in (12 cm)**	**14¾ in (37.5 cm)**
12-18 months	19½ in (49.5 cm)	about 565 yd (517 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)	5 in (12.5 cm)	15¼ in (38.5 cm)
18-24 months	20 in (51 cm)	about 640 yd (585 m)	22 in (56 cm)	24 in (61 cm)	9 in (23 cm)	14 in (35.5 cm)	8 in (20.5 cm)	9¾ in (25 cm)	5¼ in (13.5 cm)	16 in (40.5 cm)

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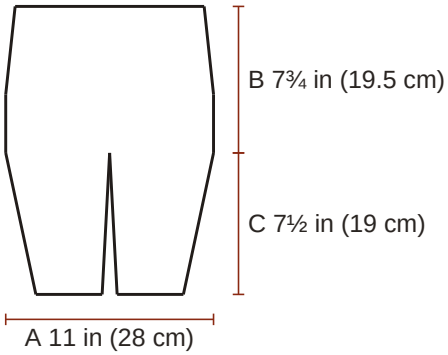
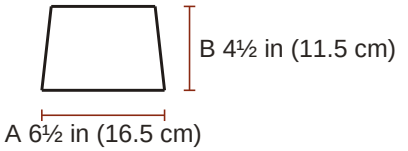
Schematic



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



Bib, before it is edged
A half the way around each leg at the top
B from top to bottom

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

- On a baby: sew every button on very firmly, and look at each one before every wear.
- The hip is 3 in (7.5 cm) wider than the body measurement, to go over a diaper (UK: nappy). The waist is 1 in (2.5 cm) wider than the hip measurement, so that the overalls pull on. There is no opening at the legs. Choose by the finished measurement you like; no fit is promised beyond the measurements given.
- The body and the legs are worked in rounds that are not turned; the right side always faces you. The bib, the straps and the pocket are worked in rows that are turned.
- 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.
- A decrease counts as one stitch.
- To work 3 sc in a ch-3 sp, put the hook into the space under the chain, not into the chs.
- To work a post stitch around a dc2tog, take the hook around both of its legs together.
- Color changes in rows: work the last yarn over of the last stitch of the row before with the new yarn. Cut the old yarn, leaving an end of about 6 in (15 cm), or, if it is needed again at the same edge within 6 rows and that edge is straight, carry it loosely up the edge.
- 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), **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-3 sp**: the gap under three chains; the hook goes in the gap.

[ ] 8 times: work what is inside 8 times in all.

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

Special stitches

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 A, sienna.

☐ **Foundation**	Work the foundation chain loosely: it must open as wide as the hips. With yarn A, ch 80; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring, taking care not to twist the chain.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1; sc in each ch around; join with sl st in first sc	(80 sc)
☐ **Rnds 2 to 3** 2 3	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(80 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1; **[**hdc in next 9 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 8 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(88 hdc)
☐ **Rnds 5 to 27** 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27	Ch 1; hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc	(88 hdc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

First leg

Yarn A, sienna.

☐ **Foundation**	With the right side facing, join yarn A in the 45th st of rnd 27, 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)

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☐ **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, sienna.

☐ **Foundation**	With the right side facing, join yarn A in the st of rnd 27 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)
☐ **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.	

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Bib

Yarn A, sienna.

☐ **Foundation**	The bib goes up from the front waist. Turn the overalls so that the foundation chain of the body is uppermost, with the right side of the front facing. The chs of that chain are counted as they were made: the middle of the front lies between chs 40 and 41. Join yarn A in ch 53; the bib is worked in rows on chs 53 to 28, along their free side (26 chs).	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Ch 1; hdc in each st across	(26 hdc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 4**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(26 hdc)
	2 3 4	
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn; hdc2tog, hdc in each st across to last 2 sts, hdc2tog	(24 hdc)
☐ **Rows 6 to 9**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(24 hdc)
	6 7 8 9	
☐ **Rows 10 to 14**	Repeat Rows 5 to 9, once more	(22 hdc)
	10 11 12 13 14	
☐ **Row 15**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(22 hdc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Strap: make 2

Yarn A, sienna.

☐ **Foundation**	Each strap is about 14¾ in (37.5 cm) long. Its last rows have two buttonholes, rows 56 and 63: the strap can be buttoned at either, so that it grows with the baby. With yarn A, ch 6.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(5 sc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 55**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(5 sc)
	2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55	
☐ **Row 56**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next st, ch 3, skip next 3 sts, sc in next st	(2 sc, 1 ch-3 sp)
☐ **Row 57**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next st, 3 sc in next ch-3 sp, sc in next st	(5 sc)
☐ **Rows 58 to 64**	Repeat Rows 51 to 57, once more	(5 sc)
	58 59 60 61 62 63 64	
☐ **Rows 65 to 68**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(5 sc)
	65 66 67 68	
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Pocket

Yarn A, sienna.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn A, ch 13. Colors: rows 1 to 8 yarn A; row 9 yarn B.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(12 hdc)

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☐ **Rows 2 to 8** 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(12 hdc)
☐ **Row 9**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(12 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an end of about 12 in (30 cm) of yarn B. Join a new length of yarn A, about 24 in (60 cm), for sewing.	

Assembly

1. Edging: With the right side facing and the bib uppermost, join yarn B at the middle of the back, in the last ch of the foundation chain of the body; ch 1, sc in each of the 27 chs from there to the bib, then up the side of the bib: sc in the end of each of next 7 rows, 2 sc in the end of next row, sc in the end of each of next 6 rows, 2 sc in the end of next row (17 sc); across its last row: 3 sc in the first st, sc in each of the next 20 sts, 3 sc in the last st; down the other side of the bib: sc in the end of each of next 7 rows, 2 sc in the end of next row, sc in the end of each of next 6 rows, 2 sc in the end of next row (17 sc); sc in each of the 27 chs left (114 sc in all); join with sl st in first sc. This is the only round. Fasten off.

2. Cream stitching: the pocket is embroidered before it is sewn on. With the yarn needle and yarn B work a line of chain stitch on the right side of the pocket: from the lower edge of row 9, the cream row, straight down between the first and the second st from one side, to the line between rows 1 and 2; across along that line; and straight up between the first and the second st from the other side, to the cream row again. Make each chain stitch as long as a stitch is wide, about ¼ in (6 mm). Chain stitch: bring the needle up, put it in again at the same place with the yarn held in a loop, bring it up ¼ in (6 mm) further along inside the loop, and draw up; go on from there, and end with a short stitch over the last loop. Work a line of the same chain stitch all round each leg, on the right side, along the middle of rnd 21, the last round of half double crochet, through one layer only.

3. Pocket: lay the pocket on the bib, right side up, its cream edge uppermost, with its lower edge along the top of row 2 of the bib, on the middle 12 of its 26 sts, with 7 sts free at each side. Whip stitch with yarn A along its outer edge, from the top of row 8 at one side, down that side, along the lower edge and up the other side to the top of row 8 there; leave the top open. The ends of row 9, the cream row, are sewn down with yarn B: at the side where the row ends with the end left there, and at the other side with a new length of yarn B, about 8 in (20 cm).

4. Straps: rnd 1 of the body has 80 sts, counted from the join at the middle of the back. Lay the end of a strap that has no buttonholes (the foundation chain) flat on the inside of the back waist, the foundation chain along rnd 3 of the body, so that the strap goes up past rnd 1 and its 5 sts lie over sts 5 to 9 of rnd 1, and sew it down all round with yarn A. Sew the second strap over sts 72 to 76 in the same way.

5. Buttons: sew one to each top corner of the bib, on the right side, over row 14, with the middle of the button over the 3rd st in from the side of the bib. The buttons must hold a child's pull: sew each one on with the sewing thread, fasten the thread off, and sew through it a second time with a new thread. See that each one is firm before every wear.

6. Cross the straps at the back: the strap from the right half of the back (as worn) goes over the left shoulder to the button on the left half of the bib, and the strap from the left half of the back goes over the right shoulder to the button on the right half. Button each at the buttonhole that suits.

Finishing

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

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