Bobble stitch baby blanket

Standard · US terms



Finished size
About 32¼ × 40 in (82 × 102 cm)

Skill
Intermediate
The pattern has bobbles

Yarn
Medium (4)

Hook
5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge
13 stitches and 14½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In bobble stitch.

What you need

Yarn: any color, medium (4) **about 1,575 yd (1,440 m), an estimate**
By weight: about 790 g, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).
Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9). Also: yarn needle, scissors and tape measure.

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Gauge

13 stitches and 14½ rows to 4 in (10 cm) in bobble stitch.

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.

To count your gauge in the middle of the test piece: three repeats of the bracketed group side by side (12 foundation chains' worth) are about 3¾ in (9.5 cm) wide, and 16 rows are about 4 3/8 in (11 cm) tall.

The pattern also stops you to measure after row 11.

> **The swatch.** Work the test piece first. This piece is wide, and starting again after the first place to stop means working its first rows a second time. A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. Gauge is counted over 4 in (10 cm), so make the swatch bigger than that: about 6 in (15 cm) each way, and count in the middle of it.
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> | **Swatch foundation** | Ch 22. | |
> | **Swatch row 1 (RS)** | Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across | (21 sc) |
> | **Swatch row 2** | Ch 1, turn; sc in next 2 sts, **[**bo in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 4 times**, bo in next st, sc in next 2 sts | (16 sc, 5 bo) |
> | **Swatch row 3** | Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across | (21 sc) |
> | **Swatch row 4** | Ch 1, turn; sc in next 4 sts, **[**bo in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 4 times**, sc in next st | (17 sc, 4 bo) |
> | **Swatch row 5** | Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across | (21 sc) |
> | **Swatch rows 6 to 21** | Repeat swatch rows 2 to 5 in order, over and over. The last row, swatch row 21, is worked as swatch row 5. | |

For another width, add or take away 4 chains at a time: each 4 chains adds one more repeat of each bracketed group, and 4 more stitches to a row that has no brackets. Measure your own gauge first.

Instructions

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sc single crochet (UK dc), **ch** chain, **st** stitch.
The ch 1 is not a stitch. Work in the **very first stitch**.
[ ] 25 times: 25 times in all. (79 sc, 26 bo): the row now has that many; a check, not a step. **How to read a pattern**
Also: sp space, yo yarn over.
Every stitch, drawn: flossfield.com/crochet/stitches.

Special stitches

bo (Bobble): [yo, insert hook in the st or sp, yo, pull up a loop, yo, pull through 2 loops] 5 times in the same place, yo, pull through all 6 loops on hook.

☐ **Start**	Ch 106.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(105 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 2 sts, **[**bo in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 25 times**, bo in next st, sc in next 2 sts	(79 sc, 26 bo)

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☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(105 sc)
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 4 sts, **[**bo in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 25 times**, sc in next st	(80 sc, 25 bo)
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(105 sc)
☐ **Rows 6 to 11**	Repeat rows 2 to 5 in order, over and over. The last row before you stop, row 11, is worked as row 3.	

The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

6 7 8 9 10 **11**

> **Stop and measure now, after row 11.** Width, across the middle of the rows and not along the chain edge: about 32¼ in (82 cm). If it is wider, start again with a smaller hook; if it is narrower, with a larger one. If only the chain edge is tight, make the chain with a larger hook.

☐ **Rows 12 to 145** — Go on repeating rows 2 to 5 in order, over and over. Row 12 is worked as row 4. The last row, row 145, is worked as row 5.

Repeat until the piece measures about 40 in (102 cm), ending with a row worked as row 5: at our gauge that is row 145. Go by the tape measure, not the count.

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 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67
68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95
96 97 98 99 100 101 102 103 104 105 106 107 108 109 110 111 112 113 114 115 116 117 118 119 120 121 122 123
124 125 126 127 128 129 130 131 132 133 134 135 136 137 138 139 140 141 142 143 144 145

☐ Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.

Finishing

- Weave in the ends.
- This pattern has no border, and every size given here is without one.

In all: 145 rows; 2 ends to weave in.

Also makes: bobble stitch throw, from the same stitch pattern. See the pattern's page at flossfield.com/crochet/patterns/bobble-stitch-baby-blanket/.

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 and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added. To measure your own: work the swatch and measure it, mark the yarn where the swatch begins and ends, pull the swatch out and measure the yarn it took; divide by the area of the swatch and multiply by the area of the piece.

Notes

- The ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.
- Row 1 is the right side.
- The number of rows is our estimate: yours may differ, and the length does not change the stitch count.
- The bobbles are made on wrong-side rows and push out to the right side; the single crochet after each one holds it there.
- Leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) when you begin, and weave it in at the end with the others.

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