Bunny baby hanger cover

12 inch · US terms



Finished size
About 12 × 1½ in (30 × 4 cm)
About 12 in (30.5 cm) from tip to tip and 3 in (7.5 cm) round. To fit a hanger 11¼ in (28.5 cm) to 12¼ in (31 cm) wide

Skill
Easy
Everything is single crochet in rounds and rows; the head is stuffed, and the head, its ears and its bow are sewn on.

Yarn
Medium (4), 4 colors

Hook
4 mm (US G-6)

Gauge
16 stitches and 18 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: sage green, the arms	**about 45 yd (41 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: cream, the head and the ears	**about 35 yd (32 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: blush, the ear linings, the bow and the nose	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: dark brown, the eyes and the mouth	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 4 mm (US G-6), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a wooden baby hanger with no bar below the arms, stuffing, a handful, a stitch marker, pins, 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, with 30 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Fits	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
10 inch	a hanger 9¾ in (25 cm) to 10½ in (26.5 cm) wide	10¼ × 1½ in (26 × 4 cm)	about 90 yd (82 m)
11 inch	a hanger 10½ in (26.5 cm) to 11¼ in (28.5 cm) wide	11 × 1½ in (28 × 4 cm)	about 90 yd (82 m)
12 inch (this file)	**a hanger 11¼ in (28.5 cm) to 12¼ in (31 cm) wide**	**12 × 1½ in (30 × 4 cm)**	**about 95 yd (87 m)**

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Abbreviations

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

ch	chain stitch
sl st	slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
sc2tog	single crochet 2 stitches together: [insert hook in next st, yo, pull up a loop] 2 times, yo, pull through all 3 loops (UK dc2tog)
MR	magic ring
st	stitch
rnd	round
RS	right side
yo	yarn over (UK yrh, yarn round hook)

Gauge

16 stitches and 18 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

> **The swatch.** A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. Lay it flat and count the stitches over 4 in (10 cm) in its middle. There should be 16 stitches; rows worked back and forth are not quite as tall as rounds, so go by the stitches. If you count more stitches than that, change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, change to a smaller hook. The swatch can be pulled out and its yarn used again.
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> | **Swatch foundation** | Ch 25. | |
> | **Swatch row 1 (RS)** | Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across | **(24 sc)** |
> | **Swatch rows 2 to 27** | Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across | **(24 sc)** |

Before you start

- Begin with a magic ring: wind the yarn once round two fingers, put the hook through the ring, draw up a loop and chain 1 to hold it, which does not count as a stitch. Work round 1 into the ring, then pull the tail to draw the ring closed.
- The rounds of the arms and of the head are not joined: work in a spiral, and move a marker up to the first stitch of each round.
- The ears and their linings are worked in joined rounds along both sides of the foundation chain: along one side, 3 stitches in the last chain, then back along the other side; the last 2 stitches go into the chain that has the first stitch in it. The chain of 1 at the start of round 2 does not count as a stitch; the first stitches of round 2 go into the stitch the round before was joined in. The chain of 1 at the start of a row of the bow does not count either.
- Measure your hanger from tip to tip and round one arm at its thickest. The 10 inch cover is for a hanger 9¾ in (25 cm) to 10½ in (26.5 cm) wide. The 11 inch cover is for a hanger 10½ in (26.5 cm) to 11¼ in (28.5 cm) wide. The 12 inch cover is for a hanger 11¼ in (28.5 cm) to 12¼ in (31 cm) wide. Each of them goes round an arm of 2¼ in (5.5 cm) to 3 in (7.5 cm).
- Whip stitch: put the needle through both edges from back to front, one stitch for each stitch or row, and draw the yarn snug.

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Instructions

Chosen: 12 inch. 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, sc is double crochet and sc2tog is dc2tog.

Arm: make 2

Yarn A, sage green.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 3 to 27**	Sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**

A box for each round, 3 to 27: tick them off as you go.

☐ 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

☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch to level the edge. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 16 in (40.5 cm) for sewing on the first arm and of 6 in (15 cm) on the second.	

Head

Yarn B, cream.

The head is worked from the middle of the face to its back, and it is stuffed before it is finished. Work rounds 1 to 12, stuff the head as step 3 of Assembly says, and only then work rounds 13 and 14.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sc in next 2 sts	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 6 to 11**	Sc in each st around	**(30 sc)**

A box for each round, 6 to 11: tick them off as you go.

☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11

☐ **Rnd 12**	**[**Sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**

> **Stop here, after round 12.** Stop after round 12 and stuff the head, as step 3 of Putting it together says. Then go on with round 13.

☐ **Rnd 13**	Sc in next st, sc2tog, **[**sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog**] 5 times**, sc in next st	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 14**	**[**Sc in next st, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(12 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 36 in (91 cm) for sewing.	

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Ear: make 2

Yarn B, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 10.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 7 chs, 3 sc in last ch, working along the other side of the foundation ch, sc in next 7 chs, 2 sc in last ch, sl st in first sc to join	**(20 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in each of next 3 sts, sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in each of next 2 sts, sl st in first sc to join	**(26 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 14 in (35.5 cm) for sewing.	

Ear lining: make 2

Yarn C, blush.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 8.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 5 chs, 3 sc in last ch, working along the other side of the foundation ch, sc in next 5 chs, 2 sc in last ch, sl st in first sc to join	**(16 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 18 in (45.5 cm) for sewing.	

Bow

Yarn C, blush.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 5.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(4 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 10**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(4 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 10: tick them off as you go.

☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 36 in (91 cm) for the middle of the bow and for sewing.	

Assembly

1. Weave in the starting tails of the arms, the ears, the ear linings and the bow on the wrong side. The starting tail of the head stays inside it. All the other tails are left for the steps that follow.

2. The arms. Slide an arm over each end of the hanger, right side outside, so that the two open ends meet at the hook. Bring the 12 stitches of one to the 12 stitches of the other, in front of the hook, under it and behind it, and with the long tail of the first arm whip stitch them together all the way round, stitch to stitch, through both loops; at the top the foot of the hook stands between two stitches. Fasten off and draw both tails inside.

3. The head. After round 12 stuff it firmly: press the stuffing to the sides, so that the face is a flat dome about 1½ in (4 cm) deep. Put the hook back in its loop and work rounds 13 and 14. Put in a little more stuffing, run the long tail through the 12 stitches of round 14, pull the hole shut and take one stitch across it. Do not cut the tail.

4. The face. The place where the rounds begin and end is under the chin. Hold the head with that place down and the closed ring of round 1 in the middle of the face. Think of the face as a clock. Each piece of yarn goes in at the back of the head, at the closed hole, and comes out there again; leave 4 in (10 cm) of it hanging at both ends. Nose: with an 18 in (45.5 cm) length of C, 4 straight stitches from side to side, one close below the other: the first just above the closed ring,

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the second over it, the third and the fourth below it. The first is ¼ in (0.5 cm) wide and each of the others is a little shorter than the one above it, so that the nose is a small triangle with its point down. Straight stitch: one plain stitch, up at one end and down at the other. Mouth: with a 24 in (61 cm) length of D, three straight stitches, none of them on top of the nose. Bring the needle up right below the fourth stitch of the nose, at the middle of that stitch, and take it down ¼ in (0.5 cm) straight below that place. Then from the lower end of this stitch work one stitch to the left and one to the right, each ¼ in (0.5 cm) long and slanting up. Eyes: with one more 18 in (45.5 cm) length of D, for both eyes, one French knot at ten o'clock and one at two o'clock, between rounds 2 and 3. French knot: bring the needle up, wind the yarn three times round it, put it down again right beside where it came up, and pull the yarn through the windings while you hold them. Then knot the two ends of each of the three lengths together at the back and draw them into the head.

5. The ears. Lay a lining on an ear, right sides up, its middle on the middle of the ear, both joined ends at the bottom. Sew it down all round with its long tail: bring the needle up from below through the ear and under both loops of a stitch at the edge of the lining, and take it down through the ear alone, just outside that stitch. Work one such stitch for each of the 16 stitches of the lining. Fasten off at the back. Fold the bottom of the ear in half, lining inside, and take two stitches through the fold with the long tail of the ear. Do not cut that tail. Set the two ears on the head at half past ten and at half past one, the folded end of each over rounds 7 and 8, the linings to the front, the tips leaning outward, so that there is room between them for the hook. Pin them. Sew each on with the rest of its tail, 8 stitches round its folded end, each through the ear and through the head. Fasten off and draw the end into the head.

6. Hold the head in front of the cover, the closed hole at its back on the middle of the seam between the two arms, its chin below the lower edge of the cover, the hook between the two ears. With the long tail of the head sew it to the cover in a ring round the closed hole: 12 stitches, one for each of the 12 stitches of round 14. Each goes under a stitch of round 14, beside the hole, and then through the front of the arms, right behind it. Go round once more in the same places. Fasten off and draw the end into the head.

7. The bow. Lay the strip with its right side up. Run its long tail along the edge of the rows, from row 10 down to the middle, between rows 5 and 6. There run it across the strip with three running stitches and pull them tight, so that the strip is drawn together. Running stitch: in and out, in a line. Then wind the tail 8 times round the middle, the turns lying side by side, pull it snug and take it through to the back of the bow under the turns. Hold the bow below the face, its right side to the front and its two wide ends to the left and the right. Its middle is straight below the mouth, and the upper edge of its middle lies against rounds 5 and 6 of the head, at six o'clock, where the face rounds down to the chin; the rest of the bow hangs below that place, in front of the chin, and looks to the front as the face does. Sew it there by the upper edge of its middle only: with the rest of the tail work 6 stitches, each through the back of the 8 turns close to their upper edge and then through a stitch of round 5 or 6 of the head. The lower edge of the bow is not sewn. Fasten off and draw the end into the head.

Finishing

- The hanger is for the closet. The bunny and its bow are not a toy for a baby to play with.

In all: 8 pieces; 1,124 stitches (318 in each arm, 324 in the head, 46 in each ear, 16 in each ear lining, 40 in the bow).

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