Easy chunky baby blanket

Standard · US terms



Finished size
About 32 × 38¼ in (81 × 97 cm)
With its border. The panel alone: about 30½ × 36¾ in (77 × 93 cm)

Skill
Beginner
One stitch, worked in every place, a border

Yarn
Bulky (5), 2 colors

Hook
8 mm (US L-11)

Gauge
10 stitches and 8½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In half double crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: oatmeal, main — **about 975 yd (892 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: terracotta, contrast — **about 95 yd (87 m), an estimate**
Hook: 8 mm (US L-11). Also: yarn needle, scissors and tape measure.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. 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.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Standard (this file)	**32 × 38¼ in (81 × 97 cm)**	**about 1,070 yd (979 m)**
Small	26 × 30¼ in (66 × 77 cm)	about 700 yd (641 m)
Large	38 × 44 in (97 × 112 cm)	about 1,460 yd (1,335 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)
hdc	half double crochet (UK htr, half treble)
rnd	round
RS	right side
st	stitch

Gauge

10 stitches and 8½ rows to 4 in (10 cm) in half double crochet.

The pattern also stops you to measure after row 6.

The swatch. A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. The test piece is about 6 in (15 cm) wide and 6 in (15 cm) tall, so that you can count over 4 in (10 cm) in the middle of it.

Swatch foundation	With A, ch 17.	
Swatch row 1 (RS)	Hdc in 3rd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(15 hdc)**
Swatch rows 2 to 13	Ch 2, turn; hdc in each st across	**(15 hdc)**

For another width, make the chain longer or shorter: each chain is one more stitch. Measure your own gauge first. The border is worked into whatever the edge has: count your own stitches and row ends for its first round.

Before you start

- The ch 2 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch: the first stitch of the row goes into the first st of the row below.
- Row 1 is the right side.
- Several of one stitch named together ("3 sc in first st") are all worked into that one place.
- Leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) when you begin, and weave it in at the end with the others.
- The border is worked in rounds with the right side facing. Rnd 1 begins in the st just joined (its first st), goes along the last row to the other end (its last st), down the left side, along the foundation edge and up the right side.
- The chain at the start of a round does not count as a stitch. After rnd 1, the first stitch of a round goes into the stitch that the slip stitch joined: that stitch is the first of the next stitches.

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Instructions

Chosen: Standard. 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 row is done. In UK terms sl st is slip stitch, sc is double crochet and hdc is half treble.

Baby blanket

Yarn A, oatmeal.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 78.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Hdc in 3rd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(76 hdc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 78**	Ch 2, turn; hdc in each st across	**(76 hdc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 78: tick them off as you go. The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

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	56	57	58	59
60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78										

> **Stop and measure when you have worked row 6.** Width, across the middle of the rows and not along the chain edge: about 30½ in (77 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.

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

Border

Yarn B, terracotta.

☐ **Foundation**	Right side facing and row 78 at the top, join B with sl st in the last st of row 78, at the top right corner.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 3 sc in first st, sc in next 74 sts, 3 sc in last st, **[**sc in end of each of next 5 rows, 2 sc in end of next row**] 13 times**, 3 sc in first ch of foundation edge, sc in next 74 chs, 3 sc in last ch of foundation edge, **[**sc in end of each of next 5 rows, 2 sc in end of next row**] 13 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(342 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2 (RS)**	Ch 2, hdc in next st, 3 hdc in next st, hdc in next 76 sts, 3 hdc in next st, hdc in next 93 sts, 3 hdc in next st, hdc in next 76 sts, 3 hdc in next st, hdc in next 92 sts, sl st in first hdc to join	**(350 hdc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.	

Finishing

- Weave in the ends.
- Lay the piece flat, pull it gently to its size, dampen it and let it dry.

In all: 2 pieces; 6,620 stitches (5,928 in the baby blanket, 692 in the border); 4 ends to weave in.

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