Front post row baby blanket

Standard · US terms



Finished size
About 32 × 40 in (81 × 102 cm)

Skill
Intermediate
Stripes, post stitches

Yarn
Medium (4), 2 colors

Hook
5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge
14½ stitches and 7½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In front post double crochet rows.

You will need

Yarn A: ivory, main	**about 1,175 yd (1,074 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: apricot, contrast	**about 225 yd (206 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9). 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 × 40 in (81 × 102 cm)**	**about 1,400 yd (1,280 m)**
Small	30 × 36¼ in (76 × 92 cm)	about 1,200 yd (1,098 m)
Large	36 × 44¼ in (91 × 112 cm)	about 1,775 yd (1,623 m)
Extra large	40 × 50 in (102 × 127 cm)	about 2,200 yd (2,011 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
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
FPdc	front post double crochet (UK FPtr, front post treble)
RS	right side
st	stitch
yo	yarn over

Gauge

14½ stitches and 7½ rows to 4 in (10 cm) in front post double crochet rows. Along a row, count every stitch and every chain between stitches as one.

To count your gauge in the middle of the test piece: 14 stitches side by side are about 3.9 in (9.8 cm) wide, and 8 rows are about 4.3 in (10.8 cm) tall.

The pattern also stops you to measure after row 6.

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. The test piece is about 6 in (15 cm) wide and 5¾ in (15 cm) tall, so that you can count over 4 in (10 cm) in the middle of it.

Swatch foundation	With A, ch 24.	
Swatch row 1 (RS)	Dc in 4th ch from hook (skipped chs count as dc) and in each ch across	**(22 dc)**
Swatch rows 2 to 11	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; FPdc around next 20 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(2 dc, 20 FPdc)**

For another width, chain more or fewer: each chain adds one stitch to every row. Measure your own stitches to 4 in (10 cm) first.

Before you start

- The ch 3 at the start of a row counts as a dc. It stands on the first st of the row below; the next st is the second. The last stitch of the next row is worked into the top of it. In row 2 that is the top of the skipped chs: the last ch you made of the foundation.
- To work an FPdc: yo, insert the hook from front to back to front around the post (the upright part) of the st, yo, pull up a loop, [yo, pull through 2 loops] 2 times. The front is the side that faces you as you work.
- FPdc around next 114 sts is one FPdc around each of them.
- Row 1 is the right side.
- Change yarn in the last yarn over of the last stitch of the row before.
- Cut a yarn when its stripe is done, leaving a tail of about 6 in (15 cm), and work over the tails as you go or weave them in at the end.
- 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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Instructions

Chosen: Standard. 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 dc is treble and FPdc is front post treble.

Yarn A, ivory.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 118.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Dc in 4th ch from hook (skipped chs count as dc) and in each ch across	**(116 dc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 6**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; FPdc around next 114 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(2 dc, 114 FPdc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 6: tick them off as you go. The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

2 3 4 5 **6**

> **Stop and measure now, after row 6.** Width, across the middle of the rows and not along the chain edge: about 32 in (81 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.

☐ **Row 7**	With B, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; FPdc around next 114 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(2 dc, 114 FPdc)**
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; FPdc around next 114 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(2 dc, 114 FPdc)**
☐ **Row 9**	With A, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; FPdc around next 114 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(2 dc, 114 FPdc)**
☐ **Row 10**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; FPdc around next 114 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(2 dc, 114 FPdc)**
☐ **Row 11**	With B, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; FPdc around next 114 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(2 dc, 114 FPdc)**
☐ **Row 12**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; FPdc around next 114 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(2 dc, 114 FPdc)**
☐ **Row 13**	With A, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; FPdc around next 114 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(2 dc, 114 FPdc)**
☐ **Row 14**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; FPdc around next 114 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(2 dc, 114 FPdc)**
☐ **Row 15**	With B, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; FPdc around next 114 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(2 dc, 114 FPdc)**
☐ **Row 16**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; FPdc around next 114 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(2 dc, 114 FPdc)**
☐ **Row 17**	With A, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; FPdc around next 114 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(2 dc, 114 FPdc)**
☐ **Rows 18 to 58**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; FPdc around next 114 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(2 dc, 114 FPdc)**

A box for each row, 18 to 58: tick them off as you go.

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

☐ **Row 59**	With B, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; FPdc around next 114 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(2 dc, 114 FPdc)**
☐ **Row 60**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; FPdc around next 114 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(2 dc, 114 FPdc)**

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☐ **Row 61**	With A, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; FPdc around next 114 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(2 dc, 114 FPdc)**
☐ **Row 62**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; FPdc around next 114 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(2 dc, 114 FPdc)**
☐ **Row 63**	With B, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; FPdc around next 114 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(2 dc, 114 FPdc)**
☐ **Row 64**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; FPdc around next 114 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(2 dc, 114 FPdc)**
☐ **Row 65**	With A, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; FPdc around next 114 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(2 dc, 114 FPdc)**
☐ **Row 66**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; FPdc around next 114 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(2 dc, 114 FPdc)**
☐ **Row 67**	With B, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; FPdc around next 114 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(2 dc, 114 FPdc)**
☐ **Row 68**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; FPdc around next 114 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(2 dc, 114 FPdc)**
☐ **Row 69**	With A, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; FPdc around next 114 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(2 dc, 114 FPdc)**
☐ **Rows 70 to 75**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; FPdc around next 114 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(2 dc, 114 FPdc)**

A box for each row, 70 to 75: tick them off as you go.

☐ 70 ☐ 71 ☐ 72 ☐ 73 ☐ 74 ☐ 75

☐ **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: 75 rows; 8,700 stitches; 26 ends to weave in.

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