Kids' sleeping bag

Child · US terms



Finished size

About 26¼ in (67 cm) wide; 43¾ in (111 cm) long from the foot to the opening and 54 in (137 cm) with the pillow

Skill

Easy

Post stitches, increases and decreases, and sewing

Yarn

Bulky (5), 3 colors

Hook

6.5 mm (US K-10½)

Gauge

11 stitches and 9½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)

In half double crochet (UK half treble).

What you need

Yarn A: navy **about 1,560 yd (1,426 m), an estimate**

Yarn B: cream, part of the front, part of the back and the small star point **about 530 yd (485 m), an estimate**

Yarn C: gold, the large star point **about 80 yd (73 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 1,650 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 130 yd (119 m).

Hook: 6.5 mm (US K-10½), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a yarn needle, scissors, a tape measure, 8 stitch markers or safety pins and washable polyester stuffing for the pillow: about 8 oz (225 g) for Child, 10 oz (285 g) for Big kid.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Child (this file)	**26¼ in (67 cm) wide, 43¾ in (111 cm) long**	**about 2,170 yd (1,984 m)**
Big kid	29¾ in (76 cm) wide, 54¾ in (139 cm) long	about 2,890 yd (2,643 m)

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Gauge

11 stitches and 9½ rows to 4 in (10 cm) in half double crochet. Along a row, count every stitch and every chain between stitches as one.

Work the test piece, lay it flat without stretching it, and measure in its middle. If it has more stitches and rows to 4 in (10 cm), use a larger hook; if it has fewer, a smaller one. The stars are worked on the same hook, in single crochet.

> **The swatch.** A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. The test piece takes about 20 yd (19 m) of A, which the amounts do not count. Undo it when you have measured it and use its yarn again, or buy that much more.
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> | **Swatch foundation** | With A, ch 16. | |
> | **Swatch row 1 (RS)** | Hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across | (15 hdc) |
> | **Swatch rows 2 to 12** | Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across | (15 hdc) |

Instructions

Child. US terms.

hdc half double crochet (UK htr), **ch** chain, **dc** double crochet (UK tr), **sc** single crochet (UK dc), **FPdc** dc round the stitch below, hook in and out at the front, **BPdc** dc round the stitch below, hook in and out at the back, **sc2tog** 2 sc made into one, **st** stitch.

2 sc in first st: **both in one stitch**. Sc in next 5 sts: one in each.

The ch 1 is not a stitch. Work in the **very first stitch**.

[ ] 35 times: 35 times in all. (2 dc, 35 FPdc, 35 BPdc): the row now has that many; a check, not a step.

Also: RS right side, yo yarn over.

Every stitch, drawn: flossfield.com/crochet/stitches.

Front

☐ **Start**	With A, make a slip knot and ch 73.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(72 hdc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 104**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(72 hdc)

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 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

Ribbed flap

☐ **Row 105**	With B, ch 2, turn; dc in each st across	(72 dc)
☐ **Rows 106 to 116**	Ch 2, turn; dc in first st, **[**FPdc around next st, BPdc around next st**] 35 times**, dc in last st	(2 dc, 35 FPdc, 35 BPdc)

106 107 108 109 110 111 112 113 114 115 116

☐	Fasten off.	

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Back

☐ **Start**	With A, ch 73.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(72 hdc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 104**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(72 hdc)

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 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

Pillow

☐ **Row 105**	With B, ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(72 hdc)
☐ **Rows 106 to 152**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(72 hdc)

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
134 135 136 137 138 139 140 141 142 143 144 145 146 147 148 149 150 151 152

☐	Fasten off.	

Large star point: make 5

Yarn C, gold.

☐ **Start**	With C, ch 2.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook	(1 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st	(2 sc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across	(3 sc)
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st, sc in next st, 2 sc in last st	(5 sc)
☐ **Rows 5 to 6**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across	(6, 7 sc)

5 6

☐ **Row 7**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st, sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in last st	(9 sc)
☐ **Rows 8 to 9**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across	(10, 11 sc)

8 9

☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st, sc in next 9 sts, 2 sc in last st	(13 sc)
☐ **Row 11**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in each st across	(11 sc, 1 sc2tog)
☐ **Row 12**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in each st across	(10 sc, 1 sc2tog)
☐ **Row 13**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in each st across	(9 sc, 1 sc2tog)
☐ **Row 14**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in each st across	(8 sc, 1 sc2tog)
☐ **Row 15**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in each st across	(7 sc, 1 sc2tog)
☐ **Row 16**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in each st across	(6 sc, 1 sc2tog)
☐ **Row 17**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in each st across	(5 sc, 1 sc2tog)
☐ **Row 18**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in each st across	(4 sc, 1 sc2tog)

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☐ **Row 19**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in each st across	(3 sc, 1 sc2tog)
☐ **Row 20**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in each st across	(2 sc, 1 sc2tog)
☐ **Row 21**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in each st across	(1 sc, 1 sc2tog)
☐ **Row 22**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog	(1 sc2tog)
☐	Fasten off.	

Small star point: make 10

Yarn B, cream.

☐ **Start**	With B, ch 2.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook	(1 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st	(2 sc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across	(3 sc)
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st, sc in next st, 2 sc in last st	(5 sc)
☐ **Rows 5 to 6** 5 6	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across	(6, 7 sc)
☐ **Rows 7 to 11** 7 8 9 10 11	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in each st across	(5, 4, 3, 2, 1 sc, 1 sc2tog)
☐ **Row 12**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog	(1 sc2tog)
☐	Fasten off.	

Assembly

1. Large star: each point has two lower edges of 10 row ends, rows 1 to 10, one on each side. Row 1 goes to the middle of the star. Weave in the tails. Lay two points side by side with their right sides up. For each seam take a length of C about 24 in (61 cm) long and whip stitch the 10 row ends of one lower edge to the 10 row ends of the edge beside it, from row 10, the widest, to row 1. Add the other points in turn and sew the last to the first: 5 seams of 10 stitches, 5 lengths of C. Close the middle with 3 small stitches. The upper edges stay free.

2. Small stars: sew the points together in the same way, 5 for each star, along the row ends of rows 1 to 6, with a length of B about 18 in (46 cm) long for each seam: 5 seams of 6 stitches a star, 10 lengths of B for the two.

3. Lay the front flat with its right side up, the foundation chain at the bottom. Put a marker 36 stitches in from the right-hand edge in row 44: this is where the middle of the large star goes. Put the middle of one small star 16 stitches in from the right-hand edge in row 74 and the middle of the other 56 stitches in from it in row 14.

4. Turn the large star so that one point looks straight up and pin it down through its middle and its 5 points. Sew it on with a length of C about 136 in (345 cm) long: a small stitch over the edge into the front at every row end, 12 along each free edge, 120 in all. Turn each small star a little to one side and sew it on in the same way with a length of B about 72 in (183 cm) long for each: 6 stitches along each free edge, 60 in all.

5. Pillow: lay the back with its wrong side up, the cream rows at the top. Fold the cream rows in half toward you, so that the last row lies along the last row of A. At each end cut a length of B about 40 in (102 cm) long and whip stitch the two halves of the end together, row end to row end: 24 stitches.

6. Stuff the pillow loosely through the long open edge, so that it stays soft and rather flat. Close it: cut a length of B about 96 in (244 cm) long. Whip stitch the last row to the first row of B, where that row grows out of A: take the needle under both loops of a st of the last row, then around the post of the st of the first row of B that lies against it, 72

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stitches in all.

7. Lay the front on the back with the right sides outside, the foundation chains edge to edge and the last row of A of the front on the last row of A of the back; the flap and the pillow are above them. For each of the two long edges cut a length of A about 124 in (315 cm) long. Whip stitch front and back together from the foundation chain up to the last row of A, 1 stitch to each pair of row ends: 104 stitches. The flap and the pillow are not sewn to each other.

8. Foot: cut a length of A about 82 in (208 cm) long. Whip stitch the two foundation chains together, chain to chain: 72 stitches.

9. Turn the whole flap down over the front, along the line where B begins: it is about 6¼ in (16 cm) deep. Sew each of its two lower corners to the front with 3 small stitches, with a length of B about 10 in (25 cm) long for each.

Finishing

- Weave in the ends that are left with the yarn needle, changing direction once or twice.

In all: 17 pieces; 20,471 stitches (8,352 in the front, 10,944 in the back, 145 in each large star point, 45 in each small star point).

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 15 percent added.

Notes

- The bag has a front and a back, each worked in rows from the foot up. The front ends in a ribbed flap that is turned down. The back goes on in cream for the pillow, which is folded, stuffed and closed.
- The ch 1 or ch 2 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.
- The first stitch after a ch 1 or a ch 2 goes into the first st, the one right below the hook.
- The right side of every piece is the side that faces you in the odd-numbered rows.
- A post stitch is worked around the post of the st below and not into its top. In the flap the first and the last stitch of a row are plain dc, worked into the top of the st below. In the first row of post stitches they go around the dc of the row before. After that the ribs line up from row to row: an FPdc goes around a post that stands out toward you, a BPdc around one that lies back.
- Cut each yarn when the rows of its color are done. To change yarn, work the last yarn over of the last stitch of the row before with the new yarn. Cut the old yarn, leaving a tail of about 6 in (15 cm), and leave a tail of the same length on the new yarn.
- "2 sc in first st" puts both stitches in that one place. "sc2tog" at the start of a row is worked over the first 2 sts.
- Leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) when you begin and when you fasten off, unless another length is given. The ends that are not sewn with are woven in.
- When a ball runs out, join the next at the end of a row: work the last yarn over of the last stitch with the new yarn, and leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) on both.
- Whip stitch: hold the two edges side by side. With the yarn on a yarn needle, pass the needle under both loops of a stitch on one edge and under both loops of the stitch that lies against it on the other edge, and pull the yarn through. Do the same in the next stitch of each edge. On a foundation chain, go under the two free strands of each chain, whether or not a stitch was worked into it. The chain skipped at the start of row 1 is not sewn. On the ends of rows, go under two strands at the very edge of each row. Fasten each sewing length where the sewing begins and where it ends: sew 3 times into the same place.
- For a child over three, with a grown-up near. It is for lounging, reading and sleepovers indoors, and not for a baby or a toddler. Keep the top of the bag below the shoulders.

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