Lace fan baby blanket

Standard · US terms



Finished size
About 32¼ × 38 in (82 × 97 cm)

Skill
Intermediate
Chain spaces, groups in one place

Yarn
Light (3)

Hook
4.5 mm (US 7)

Gauge
15 stitches and 9½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In fan lace.

What you need

Yarn: any one color (blush in the picture), light (3) **about 775 yd (709 m), an estimate**
By weight: about 310 g, an estimate, where 100 g is 250 yd (229 m).
Hook: 4.5 mm (US 7). Also: yarn needle, scissors and tape measure.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Small	26 × 30 in (66 × 76 cm)	about 500 yd (457 m)
Standard (this file)	**32¼ × 38 in (82 × 97 cm)**	**about 775 yd (709 m)**
Large	38¾ × 43¾ in (98 × 111 cm)	about 1,075 yd (983 m)

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Gauge

15 stitches and 9½ rows to 4 in (10 cm) in fan lace.

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: two fans side by side, each with the single crochet beside it (16 foundation chains), are about 4¼ in (11 cm) wide, and 10 rows are about 4¼ in (10.5 cm) tall. The gauge counts foundation chains: a row has more stitches or fewer.

The pattern also stops you to measure after row 7.

> **The swatch.** A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. The test piece is about 6¾ in (17 cm) wide and 6¼ in (16 cm) tall, so that you can count over 4 in (10 cm) in the middle of it.
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> **Swatch foundation** — Ch 26.
>
> **Swatch row 1 (RS)** — Sc in 2nd ch from hook,
> **[**sk next 3 chs, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch, sk next 3 chs, sc in next ch**] 3 times**
> (4 sc, 18 dc, 3 ch-2 sps)
>
> **Swatch row 2** — Ch 5 (counts as dc and ch-2 sp), turn;
> **[**sc in next ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk next 3 sts, dc in next st, ch 2**] 2 times**,
> sc in next ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk next 3 sts, dc in last st (4 dc, 6 ch-2 sps, 3 sc)
>
> **Swatch row 3** — Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sk next ch-2 sp, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next st,
> **[**sk next ch-2 sp, sc in next st, sk next ch-2 sp, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next st**] 2 times**,
> sk next ch-2 sp, sc in 3rd ch of turning ch (4 sc, 18 dc, 3 ch-2 sps)
>
> **Swatch rows 4 to 15** — Repeat swatch rows 2 and 3 in turn: every even-numbered row is worked as swatch row 2, every odd-numbered row as swatch row 3.

For another width, add or take away 8 chains at a time: each 8 chains adds one more repeat of the bracketed group. Measure your own gauge first.

Instructions

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sc single crochet (UK dc), **ch** chain, **dc** double crochet (UK tr), **sk** skip, **st** stitch.
ch-2 sp: the hole under two chains. The hook goes in the hole, never into a chain.
The ch 5 is the first dc: skip the first stitch; the last dc goes in the **top of the 5 chains**.
[ ] 15 times: 15 times in all. ( ) in one place: all of it there. (16 sc, 90 dc, 15 ch-2 sps): the row now has that many; a check, not a step. **How to read a pattern**
Also: sp space.
Every stitch, drawn: flossfield.com/crochet/stitches.

☐ **Start** — Ch 122.

☐ **Row 1** — Sc in 2nd ch from hook,
[sk next 3 chs, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch, sk next 3 chs, sc in next ch**] 15 times**
(16 sc, 90 dc, 15 ch-2 sps)

☐ **Row 2** — Ch 5 (counts as dc and ch-2 sp), turn;
[sc in next ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk next 3 sts, dc in next st, ch 2**] 14 times**,
sc in next ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk next 3 sts, dc in last st (16 dc, 30 ch-2 sps, 15 sc)

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☐ **Row 3**

Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sk next ch-2 sp, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next st,
[sk next ch-2 sp, sc in next st, sk next ch-2 sp, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next st**] 14 times**,
sk next ch-2 sp, sc in 3rd ch of turning ch (16 sc, 90 dc, 15 ch-2 sps)

☐ **Rows 4 to 7**

Repeat rows 2 and 3 in turn: every even-numbered row is worked as row 2, every odd-numbered row as row 3.

The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

4 5 6 **7**

Stop and measure now, after row 7. 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 8 to 90**

Repeat rows 2 and 3 in turn: every even-numbered row is worked as row 2, every odd-numbered row as row 3.

Repeat until the piece measures about 38 in (97 cm), ending with a row worked as row 2: at our gauge that is row 90. Go by the tape measure, not the count.

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

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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: 90 rows; 6,165 stitches; 2 ends to weave in.

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 5 at the start of a row counts as a dc and a ch-2 sp. 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 3rd of those 5 chains.
- The ch 1 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.
- A stitch worked into a chain space passes over any stitches that lie before the space; they are left unworked.
- Stitches in parentheses, or several of one stitch, are all worked into the one place named after them.
- The number of rows is our estimate: yours may differ, and the length does not change the stitch count.
- Leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) when you begin, and weave it in at the end with the others. Join a new ball at the end of a row, with the same tails: each join adds two ends.
- Buy whole balls from one dye lot.

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