# Lavender V-stitch baby blanket

Standard · US terms



Finished size
**About 31¾ × 37¾ in (81 × 96 cm)**
With its border. The panel alone: about 31 × 37 in (79 × 94 cm)

Skill
**Easy**
Blocks of color, chain spaces, groups in one place, a border

Yarn
**Light (3), 4 colors**

Hook
**4.5 mm (US 7)**

Gauge
**15 stitches and 8½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)**
In v-stitch.

## You will need

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| Yarn A: violet, main | **about 225 yd (206 m), an estimate** |
| Yarn B: lavender, contrast | **about 225 yd (206 m), an estimate** |
| Yarn C: lilac, contrast | **about 250 yd (229 m), an estimate** |
| Yarn D: white, contrast | **about 250 yd (229 m), an estimate** |

Hook: 4.5 mm (US 7). 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 |
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| **Standard (this file)** | **31¾ × 37¾ in (81 × 96 cm)** | **about 950 yd (870 m)** |
| **Small** | 26¼ × 29¾ in (67 × 76 cm) | about 590 yd (539 m) |
| **Large** | 38¼ × 44 in (97 × 112 cm) | about 1,250 yd (1,142 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) |
| **dc** | double crochet (UK tr, treble) |
| **rnd** | round |
| **RS** | right side |
| **sk** | skip |
| **sp** | space |
| **st** | stitch |

## Gauge

**15 stitches and 8½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)** in v-stitch. Along a row, count every stitch and every chain between stitches as one.

To count your gauge in the middle of the test piece: 15 stitches and chains side by side are about 4 in (10 cm) wide, and 8 rows are about 3.8 in (9.6 cm) tall.

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.
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> **Swatch foundation** — With A, ch 25.
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> **Swatch row 1 (RS)** — (Dc, ch 1, dc) in 5th ch from hook (skipped chs count as dc), **[**sk next 2 chs, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch**] 6 times**, sk next ch, dc in next ch **(16 dc, 7 ch-1 sps)**
>
> **Swatch rows 2 to 13** — Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-1 sp**] 7 times**, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch **(16 dc, 7 ch-1 sps)**

For another width, add or take away 3 chains at a time: each 3 chains adds one more repeat of the bracketed group. 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 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. Of the 4 chs skipped in row 1, the 3 nearest the hook stand as the dc; the other is a foundation ch left unworked.
- 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.
- Change yarn in the last yarn over of the last stitch of the row before.
- Cut a yarn when its block 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. The estimates include the tails.


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- 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.
- 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.
- Along the foundation edge every ch counts, skipped or not; the last one is the lowest of the 3 chs that stand as the first dc of row 1.
- 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.
- Where a round names a new yarn, change to it in the slip stitch that joins the round before, and cut the old yarn, leaving a tail of about 6 in (15 cm).

## Instructions

Chosen: Standard. Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. Round brackets ( ) inside a line hold stitches that all go into one place. 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 dc is treble.

### Baby blanket

**Yarn A, violet.**

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| ☐ **Foundation** | With A, ch 118. | |
| ☐ **Row 1 (RS)** | (Dc, ch 1, dc) in 5th ch from hook (skipped chs count as dc),<br>**[**sk next 2 chs, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch**] 37 times**, sk next ch, dc in next ch | **(78 dc, 38 ch-1 sps)** |
| ☐ **Rows 2 to 20** | Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-1 sp**] 38 times**, sk next st,<br>dc in top of turning ch | **(78 dc, 38 ch-1 sps)** |

A box for each row, 2 to 20: 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

**Stop and measure when you have worked row 6.** Width, across the middle of the rows and not along the chain edge: about 31 in (79 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.

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| ☐ **Row 21** | With B, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-1 sp**] 38 times**, sk next st,<br>dc in top of turning ch | **(78 dc, 38 ch-1 sps)** |
| ☐ **Rows 22 to 40** | Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-1 sp**] 38 times**, sk next st,<br>dc in top of turning ch | **(78 dc, 38 ch-1 sps)** |

A box for each row, 22 to 40: tick them off as you go.

22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40

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| ☐ **Row 41** | With C, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-1 sp**] 38 times**, sk next st,<br>dc in top of turning ch | **(78 dc, 38 ch-1 sps)** |
| ☐ **Rows 42 to 60** | Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-1 sp**] 38 times**, sk next st,<br>dc in top of turning ch | **(78 dc, 38 ch-1 sps)** |

A box for each row, 42 to 60: tick them off as you go.

42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60

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| ☐ **Row 61** | With D, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-1 sp**] 38 times**, sk next st,<br>dc in top of turning ch | **(78 dc, 38 ch-1 sps)** |


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| ☐ **Rows 62 to 78** | Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-1 sp**] 38 times**, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch | **(78 dc, 38 ch-1 sps)** |

A box for each row, 62 to 78: tick them off as you go.

62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78

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| ☐ **Row 79** | Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next st**] 38 times**, sc in top of turning ch | **(116 sc)** |
| ☐ **End** | Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail. | |

### Border

**Yarn D, white.**

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| ☐ **Foundation** | Right side facing and row 79 at the top, join D with sl st in the first st of row 79, at the top right corner. | |
| ☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)** | Ch 1, 3 sc in first st, sc in next 114 sts, 3 sc in last st, **[**2 sc in end of each of next 3 rows, sc in end of next row**] 19 times**, 2 sc in end of each of next 3 rows, 3 sc in first ch of foundation edge, sc in next 114 chs, 3 sc in last ch of foundation edge, **[**2 sc in end of each of next 3 rows, sc in end of next row**] 19 times**, 2 sc in end of each of next 3 rows, sl st in first sc to join | **(518 sc)** |
| ☐ **Rnd 2 (RS)** | With C, ch 1, sc in next st, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 116 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 141 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 116 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 140 sts, sl st in first sc to join | **(526 sc)** |
| ☐ **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; 7,244 stitches (6,200 in the baby blanket, 1,044 in the border); 12 ends to weave in.

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