Lemon peel color block baby blanket

Standard · US terms



Finished size
About 31¾ × 38 in (81 × 97 cm)
With its border. The panel alone: about 30¾ × 37 in (78 × 94 cm)

Skill
Easy
Stripes, two stitches in turn, a border

Yarn
Medium (4), 3 colors

Hook
5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge
13 stitches and 10½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In lemon peel stitch.

You will need

Yarn A: butter yellow, main	**about 700 yd (640 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: ivory, contrast	**about 375 yd (343 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: sage, contrast	**about 85 yd (78 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. That is the yarn for all the colors together: divide it among them as the estimates are divided.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Standard (this file)	**31¾ × 38 in (81 × 97 cm)**	**about 1,160 yd (1,061 m)**
Small	26¼ × 30 in (67 × 76 cm)	about 770 yd (704 m)
Large	38 × 44 in (97 × 112 cm)	about 1,600 yd (1,463 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
st	stitch

Gauge

13 stitches and 10½ rows to 4 in (10 cm) in lemon peel 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: there are no chains between the stitches here, so count the stitches alone: 13 stitches side by side are about 4 in (10 cm) wide, and 10 rows are about 3.8 in (9.7 cm) tall.

The pattern also stops you to measure after row 8.

The swatch. A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. The test piece is about 6¼ in (16 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 21.	
Swatch row 1 (RS)	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, dc in next ch, **[**sc in next ch, dc in next ch**] 9 times**	**(10 sc, 10 dc)**
Swatch rows 2 to 16	Ch 1, turn; **[**sc in next st, dc in next st**] 10 times**	**(10 sc, 10 dc)**

For another width, add or take away 2 chains at a time: each 2 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 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.
- Several of one stitch named together ("3 sc in first st") are all worked into that one place.
- 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. The estimates include the tails; if you measure your own, add them.
- 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, which it calls "first st", goes along the last row to the other end, which it calls "last st", then down the left side, along the foundation edge and up the right side.
- Along the foundation edge the ch skipped at the start of row 1 is not counted: the last ch is the one under the first stitch of row 1.

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- 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. 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, butter yellow.

☐	**Foundation**	With A, ch 101.	
☐	**Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, dc in next ch, **[**sc in next ch, dc in next ch**] 49 times**	**(50 sc, 50 dc)**
☐	**Rows 2 to 32**	Ch 1, turn; **[**sc in next st, dc in next st**] 50 times**	**(50 sc, 50 dc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 32: 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

Stop and measure when you have worked row 8. Width, across the middle of the rows and not along the chain edge: about 30¾ in (78 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 33**	With C, ch 1, turn; **[**sc in next st, dc in next st**] 50 times**	**(50 sc, 50 dc)**
☐	**Row 34**	Ch 1, turn; **[**sc in next st, dc in next st**] 50 times**	**(50 sc, 50 dc)**
☐	**Row 35**	With B, ch 1, turn; **[**sc in next st, dc in next st**] 50 times**	**(50 sc, 50 dc)**
☐	**Rows 36 to 64**	Ch 1, turn; **[**sc in next st, dc in next st**] 50 times**	**(50 sc, 50 dc)**

A box for each row, 36 to 64: tick them off as you go.

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

☐	**Row 65**	With C, ch 1, turn; **[**sc in next st, dc in next st**] 50 times**	**(50 sc, 50 dc)**
☐	**Row 66**	Ch 1, turn; **[**sc in next st, dc in next st**] 50 times**	**(50 sc, 50 dc)**
☐	**Row 67**	With A, ch 1, turn; **[**sc in next st, dc in next st**] 50 times**	**(50 sc, 50 dc)**
☐	**Rows 68 to 97**	Ch 1, turn; **[**sc in next st, dc in next st**] 50 times**	**(50 sc, 50 dc)**

A box for each row, 68 to 97: tick them off as you go.

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

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

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Border

Yarn C, sage.

☐ **Foundation**	Right side facing and row 97 at the top, join C with sl st in the first st of row 97, at the top right corner.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 3 sc in first st, sc in next 98 sts, 3 sc in last st, **[**sc in end of each of next 3 rows, 2 sc in end of next row**] 24 times**, sc in end of next row, 3 sc in first ch of foundation edge, sc in next 98 chs, 3 sc in last ch of foundation edge, **[**sc in end of each of next 3 rows, 2 sc in end of next row**] 24 times**, sc in end of next row, sl st in first sc to join	**(450 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2 (RS)**	With B, ch 1, sc in next st, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 100 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 123 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 100 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 122 sts, sl st in first sc to join	**(458 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; 10,608 stitches (9,700 in the baby blanket, 908 in the border); 14 ends to weave in.

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