# Men's one piece romper with buttons

Size M · US terms



Finished size

**About 46¼ in (117.5 cm) at the chest and about 69 in (175.5 cm) at the torso**

Skill

**Intermediate**

Rows with simple shaping, ribs worked sideways, picked-up bands, a gusset and seams

Yarn

**Medium (4), 2 colors**

Hook

**5.5 mm (US I-9)**

Gauge

**13 stitches and 11 rows to 4 in (10 cm)**

In half double crochet (UK half treble).

## What you need

Yarn A: navy, main color — **about 1,550 yd (1,417 m), an estimate**

Yarn B: oat, contrast — **about 625 yd (572 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 1,100 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: yarn needle, scissors, tape measure, stitch markers, pins, oat or wooden buttons, ¾ in (20 mm) across: 8 for sizes S, M and L, 9 for the larger sizes and sewing thread and a sewing needle.

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.

## Sizes

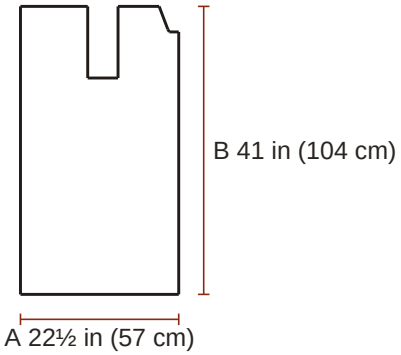
| Size | Yarn, an estimate | Chest | Torso, all the way round | From the shoulder to the crotch | Across the back above the armholes | Armhole depth | Sleeve with the rib | Upper sleeve | Back neck | Inseam with the rib | Around the thigh, without the gusset |
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| **Size S** | about 1,975 yd (1,806 m) | 42½ in (108 cm) | 66 in (167.5 cm) | 29¾ in (75.5 cm) | 17¾ in (45 cm) | 9½ in (24 cm) | 9 in (23 cm) | 19 in (48.5 cm) | 6¾ in (17 cm) | 10¼ in (26 cm) | 20½ in (52 cm) |
| **Size M (this file)** | **about 2,175 yd (1,989 m)** | **46¼ in (117.5 cm)** | **69 in (175.5 cm)** | **31¼ in (79.5 cm)** | **19 in (48.5 cm)** | **10¼ in (26 cm)** | **9¾ in (25 cm)** | **20¼ in (51.5 cm)** | **7½ in (19 cm)** | **9¾ in (25 cm)** | **22½ in (57 cm)** |
| **Size L** | about 2,400 yd (2,195 m) | 50½ in (128.5 cm) | 71¾ in (182 cm) | 32¾ in (83 cm) | 20¼ in (51.5 cm) | 11 in (28 cm) | 9¾ in (25 cm) | 21½ in (54.5 cm) | 7½ in (19 cm) | 9 in (23 cm) | 24½ in (62 cm) |
| **XL** | about 2,675 yd (2,446 m) | 54¼ in (138 cm) | 75¼ in (191 cm) | 34¼ in (87 cm) | 21½ in (54.5 cm) | 11 in (28 cm) | 10½ in (26.5 cm) | 21½ in (54.5 cm) | 7½ in (19 cm) | 9¾ in (25 cm) | 26½ in (67.5 cm) |



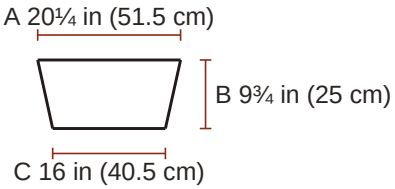
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| **2X** | about 2,950 yd (2,697 m) | 58½ in (148.5 cm) | 78¼ in (199 cm) | 35¾ in (91 cm) | 22¼ in (56.5 cm) | 11¾ in (30 cm) | 11¼ in (28.5 cm) | 23½ in (59.5 cm) | 8 in (20.5 cm) | 9 in (23 cm) | 28½ in (72.5 cm) |
| **3X** | about 3,125 yd (2,858 m) | 61¾ in (157 cm) | 79¾ in (202.5 cm) | 36¼ in (92 cm) | 23½ in (59.5 cm) | 12¼ in (31 cm) | 11¼ in (28.5 cm) | 24½ in (62 cm) | 8 in (20.5 cm) | 9 in (23 cm) | 30¼ in (77 cm) |

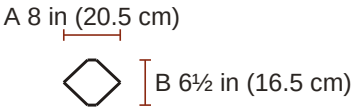
## Schematic




**Left half**
A around the thigh, without the gusset
B from top to bottom




**Sleeve (make 2)**
A the top of the sleeve, opened flat
B the sleeve
C around the cuff




**Gusset**
A the whole width
B from top to bottom

## Gauge

**13 stitches and 11 rows to 4 in (10 cm)** in half double crochet.

> **The swatch.** A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. Ch 21; begin in the 2nd ch from the hook and work 16 rows of half double crochet on 20 sts, about 6¼ in (16 cm) wide and 5¾ in (14.5 cm) high, and measure 4 in (10 cm) in the middle. Use a larger hook if your swatch is small, a smaller one if it is large. Rib worked sideways: 14 rows to 4 in (10 cm). Single crochet rows of the bands and the gusset: 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm). Post stitch row of the neckband: 7.5 rows to 4 in (10 cm).

## Notes

- Men's sizes, by chest, waist, hip and torso.
- The romper is from 6¼ in (16 cm) to 6¾ in (17 cm) wider than the larger of the chest and the hips, and its torso is from 3¼ in (8.5 cm) to 4¼ in (11 cm) longer than the body, by the size. No fit is promised beyond the measurements given.
- The turning chain (ch 1 for single and half double crochet, ch 2 for double crochet) never counts as a stitch. Work the first stitch of every row into the first stitch, at the base of the turning chain.
- Odd-numbered rows are right side rows on the sleeves, the gusset, the bands and the neckband; the words of the half say which side is outside. Mark the outside of each half with a stitch marker or a scrap of yarn.
- Left and right are those of the person who wears the romper.
- The ribs are worked sideways in single crochet in the back loop (UK: double crochet). The pieces are worked up from a long edge of a rib. The rib draws in: it is a little narrower than the piece above it.
- A decrease counts as one stitch.
- In the neckband the last row is worked with fpdc and bpdc in turn around the dc of row 2.
- To work into a chain space, insert the hook under the whole chain.


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- Torso: measure from the top of one shoulder, down the front, between the legs and up the back to the same point. Choose the size by the torso as well as by the chest and the hips: SIZES gives the torso each size is for and the finished torso, all the way round. If your chest and your torso come out at two sizes, take the larger of the two.
- Sew every seam with the yarn needle.
- Color changes in rows: work the last yarn over of the last stitch of the row before with the new yarn. Cut the old yarn, leaving an end of about 6 in (15 cm), or, if it is needed again at the same edge within 6 rows and that edge is straight, carry it loosely up the edge.
- In back loop only: insert the hook under the loop of the stitch that is farther from you, and leave the nearer loop free.
- To fit chest 39, waist 33, hip 40, torso 65½ in (99, 84, 101.5, 166.5 cm).

# Instructions

Size M. US terms.

**ch** chain, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **hdc** half double crochet (UK half treble), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **st** stitch, **sp** space.
**RS** right side, the one that shows.
**ch-2 sp**: the gap under two chains; the hook goes in the gap.
**[ ] 7 times**: work what is inside 7 times in all.
**(8 sc)**: the stitches you have when the row is done. **How to read a pattern**.

## Special stitches

**sc2tog (single crochet 2 stitches together (UK double crochet 2 together)):** Insert the hook in the next stitch and pull up a loop, insert the hook in the following stitch and pull up a loop (3 loops on the hook); yarn over and pull through all 3 loops.

**hdc2tog (half double crochet 2 stitches together (UK half treble 2 together)):** [yarn over, insert the hook in the next stitch and pull up a loop] twice (5 loops on the hook); yarn over and pull through all 5 loops.

**fpdc (front post double crochet (UK front post treble)):** Yarn over, insert the hook from the front to the back and to the front again around the post of the stitch named, pull up a loop, [yarn over and pull through 2 loops] twice. The front is the side that faces you. A post stitch takes the place of the stitch it is worked around: do not work into the top of that stitch as well.

**bpdc (back post double crochet (UK back post treble)):** As fpdc, but insert the hook from the back to the front and to the back again around the post.

## Leg rib: make 2

**Yarn A, navy.**

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| ☐ **Foundation** | With yarn A, ch 9. | |
| ☐ **Row 1 (RS)** | Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across | (8 sc) |
| ☐ **Rows 2 to 73** | Ch 1, turn; sc in back loop only of each st across | (8 sc) |

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

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| ☐ **End** | Fasten off. | |


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## Half: make 2, alike

**Yarn A, navy.**

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| ☐ **Foundation** | Each half is one leg and one side of the body, front and back, worked up from its leg rib. Both halves are worked from these words, with the two parts that follow. With the odd-numbered rows on the outside the piece is the left half, as worn; turn the second piece over, so that its even-numbered rows are on the outside, and it is the right half. Odd-numbered rows begin at the back edge and end at the front edge; even-numbered rows begin at the front edge. Colors, counted from row 1: 4 rows yarn A, 2 rows yarn B; repeat these 6 rows to the end (the last repeat may stop part way). Work the last yarn over of row 78 with yarn A, which row 79 begins with. With the right side of the rib facing, join yarn A in the end of row 1 of a leg rib; ch 1, then work this edge: along rows 1 to 73 of the leg rib, sc in the end of each of the next 73 rows (73 sc). There are 73 sc in all. This is row 1. | |
| ☐ **Rows 2 to 78** | Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across | (73 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

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| ☐ **End** | The half is about 22½ in (57 cm) wide. Do not fasten off. | |

## Back of the half: make 2, alike

**Yarn A, navy.**

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| ☐ **Foundation** | Go on from row 78 of the half, with the yarn that is there. This part is called the left back or the right back, as worn. The next row begins at the back edge and leaves 14 sts for the underarm and the 28 sts of the front. Colors, counted from row 79: 4 rows yarn A, 2 rows yarn B; repeat these 6 rows to the end (the last repeat may stop part way). | |
| ☐ **Row 79** | Ch 1, turn; hdc in next 31 sts, leave the last 42 sts unworked | (31 hdc) |
| ☐ **Rows 80 to 106** | Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across | (31 hdc) |

80 81 82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96 97 98 99 100 101 102 103 104 105 106

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| ☐ **End** | Of the 31 sts of row 106, the 19 at the armhole end are the shoulder, and the 12 at the back edge are the neck. Fasten off. | |

## Front of the half: make 2, alike

**Yarn A, navy.**

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| ☐ **Foundation** | This part is called the left front or the right front, as worn. Go back to row 78 of the half, with the side facing that faces you as you work an odd-numbered row. Skip the next 14 unworked sts of that row for the underarm and join yarn A in the next st: the front is worked on the 28 sts from there on, to the end of the row. The front edge is at the end of odd-numbered rows. Colors, counted from row 79: 4 rows yarn A, 2 rows yarn B; repeat these 6 rows to the end (the last repeat may stop part way). | |
| ☐ **Row 79** | Ch 1; hdc in each st across | (28 hdc) |
| ☐ **Rows 80 to 96** | Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across | (28 hdc) |

80 81 82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96

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| ☐ **Row 97** | Ch 1, turn; hdc in next 23 sts, leave the last 5 sts unworked | (23 hdc) |
| ☐ **Row 98** | Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across | (23 hdc) |
| ☐ **Row 99** | Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across to last 2 sts, hdc2tog | (22 hdc) |


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| ☐ **Rows 100 to 105** | Repeat Rows 98 and 99, 3 more times (21, 20, 19 hdc at the ends of the repeats) | (19 hdc) |

100 101 102 103 104 105

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| ☐ **Row 106** | Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across | (19 hdc) |
| ☐ **End** | The 19 sts left are the shoulder. Fasten off. | |

## Cuff rib: make 2

**Yarn A, navy.**

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| ☐ **Foundation** | With yarn A, ch 7. | |
| ☐ **Row 1 (RS)** | Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across | (6 sc) |
| ☐ **Rows 2 to 52** | Ch 1, turn; sc in back loop only of each st across | (6 sc) |

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

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| ☐ **End** | Fasten off. | |

## Sleeve: make 2

**Yarn A, navy.**

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| ☐ **Foundation** | Colors, counted from row 1: 4 rows yarn A, 2 rows yarn B; repeat these 6 rows to the end (the last repeat may stop part way). With the right side facing, join yarn A in the end of row 1 of a cuff rib; ch 1, then work this edge: along rows 1 to 52 of the cuff rib, sc in the end of each of the next 52 rows (52 sc). There are 52 sc in all. This is row 1, a right side row. | |
| ☐ **Row 2** | Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across | (52 hdc) |
| ☐ **Row 3** | Ch 1, turn; 2 hdc in first st, hdc in each st across to last st, 2 hdc in last st | (54 hdc) |
| ☐ **Rows 4 to 15** | Repeat Rows 2 and 3, 6 more times (56, 58, 60, 62, 64, 66 hdc at the ends of the repeats) | (66 hdc) |

4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15

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| ☐ **Rows 16 to 22** | Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across | (66 hdc) |

16 17 18 19 20 21 22

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| ☐ **End** | The sleeve is about 20¼ in (51.5 cm) across the top and 9¾ in (25 cm) long with the rib. Fasten off. | |

## Gusset

**Yarn A, navy.**

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| ☐ **Foundation** | With yarn A, ch 5. | |
| ☐ **Row 1 (RS)** | Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across | (4 sc) |
| ☐ **Rows 2 to 12** | Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across to last st, 2 sc in last st | (26 sc) |

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

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| ☐ **Row 13** | Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across | (26 sc) |
| ☐ **Rows 14 to 24** | Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in each st across to last 2 sts, sc2tog | (4 sc) |

14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24

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| ☐ **End** | The gusset is about 8 in (20.5 cm) across its middle, rows 12 and 13, and 6½ in (16.5 cm) from its foundation chain, the front end, to row 24, the back end. Fasten off. | |


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## Button band

**Yarn A, navy.**

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| ☐ **Foundation** | Work this at step 3 of Assembly. The right side of the romper faces you. With the right side facing, join yarn A in the end of row 21 of the right half, at its front edge; ch 1, then work these edges in order: along rows 21 to 78 of the right half, [sc in the end of each of the next 4 rows, 2 sc in the end of the next row] 11 times, sc in the end of each of the next 3 rows (69 sc); along rows 79 to 96 of the right front, [sc in the end of each of the next 5 rows, 2 sc in the end of the next row] 3 times (21 sc). There are 90 sc in all. This is row 1, a right side row. | |
| ☐ **Rows 2 to 5**<br>2 3 4 5 | Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across | (90 sc) |
| ☐ **End** | Fasten off. | |

## Buttonhole band

**Yarn A, navy.**

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| ☐ **Foundation** | Work this at step 3 of Assembly. The right side of the romper faces you. With the right side facing, join yarn A in the end of row 96 of the left front, at the neck; ch 1, then work these edges in order: along rows 79 to 96 of the left front, met from the last of them, [2 sc in the end of the next row, sc in the end of each of the next 5 rows] 3 times (21 sc); along rows 21 to 78 of the left half, met from the last of them, sc in the end of each of the next 3 rows, [2 sc in the end of the next row, sc in the end of each of the next 4 rows] 11 times (69 sc). There are 90 sc in all. This is row 1, a right side row. | |
| ☐ **Row 2** | Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across | (90 sc) |
| ☐ **Row 3** | Ch 1, turn; sc in next 3 sts, **[**ch 2, skip next 2 sts, sc in next 9 sts**] 7 times**, ch 2, skip next 2 sts, sc in next 8 sts | (74 sc, 8 ch-2 sps) |
| ☐ **Row 4** | Ch 1, turn; sc in next 8 sts, **[**2 sc in next ch-2 sp, sc in next 9 sts**] 7 times**, 2 sc in next ch-2 sp, sc in next 3 sts | (90 sc) |
| ☐ **Row 5** | Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across | (90 sc) |
| ☐ **End** | The 8 ch-2 sps of row 3 are the buttonholes. Fasten off. | |

## Neckband

**Yarn A, navy.**

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| ☐ **Foundation** | Work this at step 4 of Assembly. With the right side facing, join yarn A in the end of row 5 of the button band, at its neck end; ch 1, then work these edges in order: along rows 1 to 5 of the button band, met from the last of them, sc in the end of each of the next 5 rows (5 sc); sc in each of the 5 free sts of row 96 of the right front (5 sc); up the neck edge, along rows 97 to 106 of the right front, [sc in the end of each of the next 4 rows, 2 sc in the end of the next row] twice (12 sc); sc in each of the 12 neck sts of row 106 of the right back (12 sc); sc in each of the 12 neck sts of row 106 of the left back (12 sc); down the neck edge, along rows 97 to 106 of the left front, met from the last of them, [2 sc in the end of the next row, sc in the end of each of the next 4 rows] twice (12 sc); sc in each of the 5 free sts of row 96 of the left front (5 sc); along rows 1 to 5 of the buttonhole band, sc in the end of each of the next 5 rows (5 sc). There are 68 sc in all. This is row 1, a right side row. | |
| ☐ **Row 2** | Ch 2, turn; dc in each st across | (68 dc) |
| ☐ **Row 3** | Ch 2, turn; **[**fpdc around next st, bpdc around next st**] 34 times** | (34 fpdcs, 34 bpdcs) |
| ☐ **End** | The neckband is about 1¼ in (3 cm) high. Fasten off. | |


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### Assembly

**1.** Shoulders: on each half, with its outside in, sew the 19 sts of row 106 of the front to the 19 sts of row 106 of the back at the armhole end, one to one, with yarn A.

**2.** Center back seam: lay the two halves with right sides together, back edge to back edge. With yarn A sew the ends of rows 23 to 78 of the halves and of rows 79 to 106 of the backs, row to row, up to the neck. The ends of rows 21 and 22 stay open for the gusset.

**3.** Bands: work the button band on the right half and the buttonhole band on the left half, as written above.

**4.** Neckband: work it now, as written above.

**5.** Sleeves: with right sides together, lay the middle of the top edge of a sleeve (row 22, 66 sts) at a shoulder seam, 33 sts to each side of it. Sew 33 sts to the ends of rows 79 to 106 of the back and 33 sts to the ends of rows 79 to 106 of the front, about 7 sts to every 6 row ends, with yarn A. Then sew the ends of rows 17 to 22 of each side edge of the sleeve to 7 of the 14 sts left unworked at the underarm, one side edge beside the front and the other beside the back. Sew each sleeve seam from the underarm down: row end to row end, and at the rib its 6 chs to the 6 sts of its last row. Sew the second sleeve to the other armhole in the same way.

**6.** Inseams: fold each leg with its outside in and sew, with yarn A, the front edge to the back edge, from the lower edge up: at the rib the 8 chs to the 8 sts of its last row, then the ends of rows 1 to 7, row to row. The ends of rows 8 to 20 stay open for the gusset.

**7.** Gusset: turn the romper right side out. Lap the buttonhole band over the button band so that the bands lie wholly on each other, and pin their lower ends together. With yarn A sew the 4 chs of the foundation chain of the gusset to the lower ends of the bands, through both, the 5 row ends across the 4 chs. Then sew each half of the opening: along each side of the gusset, the ends of rows 1 to 12 to the ends of rows 20 to 8 of the front edge of the leg on that side, about 12 row ends to 13, down to the top of the inseam; and from there the ends of rows 13 to 24 to the ends of rows 8 to 20 of the back edge of the same leg, in the same proportion. At the back, sew 2 of the 4 sts of row 24 to the ends of rows 21 and 22 of the left half and 2 to those of the right half, under the center back seam.

**8.** Buttons: with the sewing thread sew the 8 buttons to row 3 of the button band, each opposite a buttonhole. A buttonhole takes the place of 2 sts; counted from the neck end of the band the buttons lie between sts 4 and 5, between sts 15 and 16, between sts 26 and 27, between sts 37 and 38, between sts 48 and 49, between sts 59 and 60, between sts 70 and 71, and between sts 81 and 82.

## Finishing

- Weave in all the ends. Wash as the yarn label says and lay flat to the measurements to dry.

In all: 5 pieces.

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