Newborn cocoon with puff stitch bands

Newborn · US terms



Finished size
About 17¼ in (44 cm) round and about 16¼ in (41.5 cm) long

Skill
Easy
Basic stitches in rounds, with puffs and a post stitch rib

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: camel, main color **about 145 yd (133 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: cream, contrast **about 145 yd (133 m), an estimate**
By weight: about 150 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 and tape measure.

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	Around	Length to the fold	Depth of the cuff, turned down	Yarn, an estimate
Preemie	14¾ in (37.5 cm)	10½ in (26.5 cm)	1¾ in (4.5 cm)	about 160 yd (146 m)
Newborn (this file)	**17¼ in (44 cm)**	**16¼ in (41.5 cm)**	**2¼ in (5.5 cm)**	**about 290 yd (265 m)**
0 to 3 months	22¼ in (56.5 cm)	19½ in (49.5 cm)	2½ in (6.5 cm)	about 450 yd (411 m)

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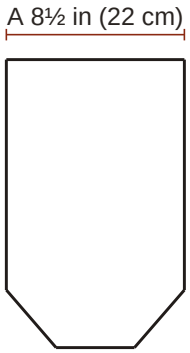
Schematic



Cocoon, laid flat
A half the around

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. Single crochet (UK: double crochet) rounds: about 15 rounds to 4 in (10 cm); a round with big puffs is as tall as a round of half double crochet. Cuff: about 7 rounds to 4 in (10 cm). The cuff has the same stitches to 4 in (10 cm) as the cocoon, and stretches.

Notes

- Three sizes, chosen by the length.
- No fit is promised beyond the measurements given. Choose by the distance around the baby, dressed, and the length.
- The rounds are not turned; the right side always faces you.
- The chain at the start of a round (ch 1 for single and half double crochet, ch 2 for double crochet) never counts as a stitch. Work the first stitch of the round into the stitch at its base.
- In the round after the puffs, work 1 sc in the top of each big puff. With a finger push each one out to the right side.
- A cocoon is for a baby who is awake and watched all the time, as for a picture taken with someone close by. It is not for sleep, for a car seat or for carrying.
- Color changes in rounds: work the sl st that joins the round before with the new yarn. Cut the old yarn, leaving an end of about 6 in (15 cm), or, if it is needed again within 6 rnds, carry it loosely up the inside at the join.
- Around 17¼ in (44 cm).

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Instructions

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ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **hdc** half double crochet (UK half treble), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **Rnd** round, **st** stitch.
2 hdc in next st: both in one stitch. **hdc in each of next 8 sts**: one in each.
[ ] 8 times: work what is inside 8 times in all.
(8 hdc): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Special stitches

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.

bpuff (big puff stitch (UK the same)): Yarn over, insert the hook in the stitch named, yarn over and pull up a tall loop; do this 5 times in the same stitch (11 loops on the hook); yarn over and pull through all 11 loops.

Cocoon

Yarn A, camel.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn A, ch 3; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring. Colors: rnds 1 to 13 yarn A; then, counted from rnd 14: 3 rnds yarn B, 3 rnds yarn A; repeat these 6 rnds to the end (the last repeat may stop part way).	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1; 8 hdc in ring; join with sl st in first hdc	(8 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1; 2 hdc in each of next 8 sts; join with sl st in first hdc	(16 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1; **[**hdc in next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 8 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(24 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1; **[**hdc in next 2 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 8 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(32 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 1; **[**hdc in next 3 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 8 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(40 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	Ch 1; **[**hdc in next 4 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 8 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(48 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	Ch 1; **[**hdc in next 5 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 8 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(56 hdc)
☐ **Rnds 8 to 13**	Ch 1; hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc	(56 hdc)
	8 9 10 11 12 13	
☐ **Rnd 14**	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(56 sc)
☐ **Rnd 15**	Ch 1; **[**sc in next st, bpuff in next st**] 28 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(28 sc, 28 bpuffs)
☐ **Rnd 16**	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(56 sc)
☐ **Rnds 17 to 40**	Repeat Rnds 11 to 16, 4 more times	(56 sc)
	17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40	
☐ **Rnd 41**	Ch 1; hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc	(56 hdc)
☐ **End**	Work the sl st that joins the last rnd with yarn B.	

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Cuff

Yarn A, camel.

☐ **Foundation**	Go on from rnd 41 of the cocoon.	
☐ **Rnd 42**	Ch 2; dc in each st around; join with sl st in first dc	(56 dc)
☐ **Rnds 43 to 49**	Ch 2; **[**fpdc around next st, bpdc around next st**] 28 times**; join with sl st in first fpdc	(28 fpdcs, 28 bpdcs)
	43 44 45 46 47 48 49	
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Putting it together

Turn the top half of the cuff down to the outside.

Finishing

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

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