Newborn scratch mittens

0 to 6 months, palm 4¼ in (11 cm) round · US terms



Finished size
About 4¼ in (11 cm) round the palm and 4¼ in (11 cm) long
To fit a palm of 4¼ in (11 cm)

Skill
Easy
Tiny soft mittens in fine yarn that keep a newborn from scratching.

Yarn
Fine (2), 2 colors

Hook
3 mm

Gauge
24 stitches and 28 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: white, main color	**about 45 yd (41 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: dusty pink, contrast	**about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**

Hook: 3 mm. Also: a stitch marker, a yarn needle and scissors.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. The estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge.

Sizes

Size	Palm	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
0 to 6 months (this file)	**4¼ in (11 cm)**	**4¼ in (11 cm) round, 4¼ in (11 cm) long**	**about 70 yd (64 m)**
6 to 12 months	4¾ in (12 cm)	4¾ in (12 cm) round, 5 in (12.5 cm) long	about 85 yd (77 m)

Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

sl st	slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
FPdc	front post double crochet
BPdc	back post double crochet
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
sc2tog	single crochet 2 stitches together
ch	chain stitch

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Gauge

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Before you start

- Measure round the palm just above the thumb, without the thumb, and choose the size nearest to it.
- The pattern makes a pair. It is worked from the cuff up.
- In a joined round, the ch at the start does not count as a stitch: the first stitch goes into the stitch the ch stands on (a post stitch goes round its post), and the sl st that closes the round goes into the top of that first stitch.
- In a spiral the rounds are not joined: put a marker in the first stitch of each round and move it up every round.
- The right side faces you in every round.
- To change color, work the last stitch before the change until its last loops are on the hook, then draw the new color through them. A color that rests for 4 rounds or fewer can wait on the inside and be drawn up again; cut one that rests longer, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm). After a joined round, draw the new color through with the sl st that closes it.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line are the stitches it has.

Instructions

Chosen: 0 to 6 months, palm 4¼ in (11 cm) round. 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 round is done. In UK terms sl st is slip stitch, dc is treble and sc is double crochet.

Mitten: make 2

Yarns in order of use: A, white; B, dusty pink.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 26, taking care not to twist it, and sl st in the first ch to make a ring.	
Cuff		
☐ **Rnd 1**	**Yarn B.** Ch 2, dc in each ch around, sl st in first dc to join	**(26 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 2, **[**FPdc around next st, BPdc around next st**] 13 times**, sl st in first FPdc to join	**(13 FPdc, 13 BPdc)**
☐ **Rnds 3 to 5**	Repeat rnd 2.	

A box for each round, 3 to 5: tick them off as you go.

☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5

Hand

From here the piece is worked in a spiral: the first stitch of the next round goes into the first stitch of the last one.

☐ **Rnd 6**	With A, sc in each st around	**(26 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	Sc in each st around	**(26 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 8 to 20**	Repeat rnd 7.	

A box for each round, 8 to 20: tick them off as you go.

☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12 ☐ 13 ☐ 14 ☐ 15 ☐ 16 ☐ 17 ☐ 18 ☐ 19 ☐ 20

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☐ **Rnd 21**	**[**Sc2tog, sc in next 9 sts, sc2tog**] 2 times**	**(22 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 22**	Sc in each st around	**(22 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 23**	**[**Sc2tog, sc in next 7 sts, sc2tog**] 2 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 24**	Sc in each st around	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 25**	**[**Sc2tog, sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog**] 2 times**	**(14 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 26**	**[**Sc2tog, sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog**] 2 times**	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 27**	**[**Sc2tog, sc in next st, sc2tog**] 2 times**	**(6 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 12 in (30.5 cm). Flatten the top with the decreases at the two sides and sew the 3 pairs of stitches of the last round together.	

Finishing

- Make the second piece the same; left and right are alike.
- Weave in every tail on the inside.

In all: 2 pieces; 1,260 stitches; 4 ends to weave in.

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