Santa hat and diaper cover set

3-6 months, to fit waist 17½ in (44.5 cm) · US terms



Finished size

About 15 in (38 cm) at the hat and about 9¾ in (25 cm) at the hat from point to edge

To fit a waist of 17½ in (44.5 cm) and a hip of 18 in (45.5 cm), head 16½ in (42 cm)

Skill

Easy

Basic stitches, simple shaping and two short seams

Yarn

Light (3), 4 colors

Hook

4.5 mm (US 7)

Gauge

16 stitches and 13½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)

In half double crochet (UK half treble).

What you need

Yarn A: scarlet, main color	**about 225 yd (206 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: snow, contrast	**about 70 yd (64 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: soft black, the belt	**about 30 yd (27 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: brass, the buckle	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 130 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 250 yd (229 m).

Hook: 4.5 mm (US 7), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: yarn needle, scissors, tape measure, a little fiberfill stuffing and pins.

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.

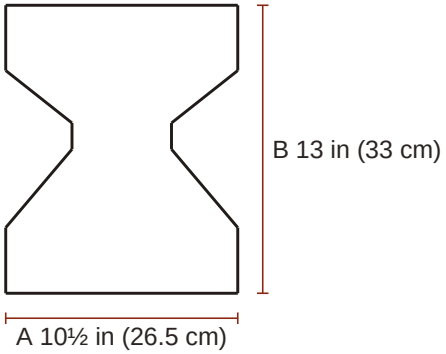
Sizes

Size	Waist	Yarn, an estimate	Hat around	Hat from point to edge, laid straight	Cover around the hip	Around the waistband	Front waist to the middle of the crotch	Back waist to the middle of the crotch	Around each leg opening
Newborn	13½ in (34.5 cm)	about 235 yd (215 m)	13 in (33 cm)	8¾ in (22 cm)	17 in (43 cm)	15 in (38 cm)	5¼ in (13.5 cm)	5¾ in (14.5 cm)	7 in (18 cm)
0-3 months	16½ in (42 cm)	about 295 yd (270 m)	14 in (35.5 cm)	9¼ in (23.5 cm)	20 in (51 cm)	18 in (45.5 cm)	6½ in (16.5 cm)	7½ in (19 cm)	8 in (20.5 cm)
3-6 months (this file)	**17½ in (44.5 cm)**	**about 335 yd (306 m)**	**15 in (38 cm)**	**9¾ in (25 cm)**	**21 in (53.5 cm)**	**19 in (48.5 cm)**	**7 in (18 cm)**	**8¼ in (21 cm)**	**8½ in (21.5 cm)**

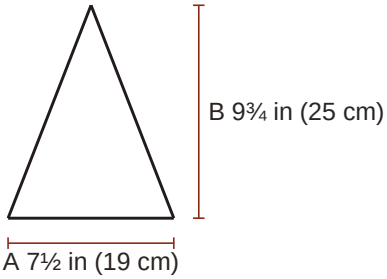
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6-12 months	18½ in (47 cm)	about 360 yd (329 m)	16 in (40.5 cm)	10 in (25.5 cm)	22 in (56 cm)	20 in (51 cm)	7¼ in (18.5 cm)	8½ in (21.5 cm)	9 in (23 cm)

Schematic



Cover
A half the cover the hip
B from top to bottom



Hat, laid flat
A half the hat
B the hat from point to edge, laid straight

Gauge

16 stitches and 13½ 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 25; begin in the 2nd ch from the hook and work 20 rows of half double crochet on 24 sts, about 6 in (15 cm) wide and 6 in (15 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. Edgings: 16 sts to 4 in (10 cm) in double crochet (UK: treble); one round of single crochet, one of double crochet and one of puff stitches are about 1 1/8 in (2.9 cm) high together. Hat: the rounds of half double crochet have the same gauge as the rows of the cover. Brim: two rounds of puff stitches and three rounds of single crochet are about 1 3/8 in (3.5 cm) high together. Pompom, belt and buckle: single crochet (UK: double crochet), about 18½ rounds or rows to 4 in (10 cm); work them firmly.

Notes

- The hat is ½ to 1½ in (1.5 to 4 cm) smaller around than the head it is for, and stretches. The hip of the cover is 3 in (7.5 cm) wider than the body measurement at each size, to go over a diaper (UK: nappy). Choose by the finished measurement you like; no fit is promised beyond the measurements given.
- The cover is worked in rows that are turned. The ch 1 at the start of a row never counts as a stitch: work the first stitch of the row into the first stitch, at the base of the ch 1.
- The waistband and the leg edgings are worked in rounds that are not turned; the right side always faces you. The chain at the start of a round never counts as a stitch: work the first stitch into the stitch at its base.
- A decrease counts as one stitch.
- The rounds of the hat, the pompom, the belt and the buckle are not turned either. The hat is worked from its point down.
- Sew every part on firmly, through the fabric several times, weave the ends in well, and look at them before each wear. The hat is for a baby who is awake and watched; take it off for sleep.

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- 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.
- Whip stitch: hold the two edges together, put the needle through both from back to front, bring the yarn over the edges and go in again from the back, one stitch along.

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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.
RS right side, the one that shows.
2 hdc in next st: both in one stitch. **hdc in next 2 sts**: one in each.
[ ] 4 times: work what is inside 4 times in all.
(8 hdc): the stitches you have when the round 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.

dc2tog (double crochet 2 stitches together (UK treble 2 together)): [yarn over, insert the hook in the next stitch and pull up a loop, yarn over and pull through 2 loops] twice (3 loops on the hook); yarn over and pull through all 3 loops.

puff (puff stitch): Yarn over, insert the hook in the stitch or space named, yarn over and pull up a tall loop; do this 3 times in the same place (7 loops on the hook); yarn over and pull through all 7 loops.

Hat

Yarn A, scarlet.

☐ **Foundation**	The hat begins at its point. Rnds 1 to 28 are the hat; rnds 29 to 33 are the fur brim. With yarn A, ch 3; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring. Colors: rnds 1 to 28 yarn A; rnds 29 to 33 yarn B.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1; 8 hdc in ring; join with sl st in first hdc	(8 hdc)
☐ **Rnds 2 to 3** 2 3	Ch 1; hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc	(8 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1; **[**hdc in next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 4 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(12 hdc)
☐ **Rnds 5 to 7** 5 6 7	Ch 1; hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc	(12 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 8**	Ch 1; hdc in next 2 sts, **[**2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 2 sts**] 3 times**, 2 hdc in next st; join with sl st in first hdc	(16 hdc)
☐ **Rnds 9 to 11** 9 10 11	Ch 1; hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc	(16 hdc)

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☐ **Rnd 12**	Ch 1; hdc in next st, **[**2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 3 sts**] 3 times**, 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 2 sts; join with sl st in first hdc	(20 hdc)
☐ **Rnds 13 to 14** 13 14	Ch 1; hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc	(20 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 15**	Ch 1; **[**hdc in next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 4 times**, **[**hdc in next 2 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 4 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(28 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 16**	Ch 1; hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc	(28 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 17**	Ch 1; **[**hdc in next 2 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 4 times**, **[**hdc in next 3 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 4 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(36 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 18**	Ch 1; hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc	(36 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 19**	Ch 1; hdc in next 2 sts, **[**2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 3 sts**] 4 times**, **[**2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 4 sts**] 3 times**, 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 2 sts; join with sl st in first hdc	(44 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 20**	Ch 1; hdc in next 3 sts, **[**2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 10 sts**] 3 times**, 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 7 sts; join with sl st in first hdc	(48 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 21**	Ch 1; **[**hdc in next 5 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 8 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(56 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 22**	Ch 1; hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc	(56 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 23**	Ch 1; **[**hdc in next 13 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 4 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(60 hdc)
☐ **Rnds 24 to 28** 24 25 26 27 28	Ch 1; hdc in each st around; join with sl st in first hdc	(60 hdc)
☐ **Rnd 29**	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(60 sc)
☐ **Rnd 30**	Ch 1; **[**puff in next st, sc in next st**] 30 times**; join with sl st in first puff	(30 puffs, 30 sc)
☐ **Rnd 31**	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(60 sc)
☐ **Rnd 32**	Ch 1; **[**sc in next st, puff in next st**] 30 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(30 sc, 30 puffs)
☐ **Rnd 33**	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(60 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Cover

Yarn A, scarlet.

☐ **Foundation**	The cover is one piece: it begins at the front waist, goes down to the crotch and up again to the back waist. Rows 1 to 10 are the front, above the legs; rows 11 to 18 shape the front leg edges; rows 19 to 22 are the crotch; rows 23 to 34 shape the back leg edges; rows 35 to 44 are the back, above the legs. With yarn A, ch 43.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(42 hdc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 10** 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(42 hdc)

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☐ **Rows 11 to 14** 11 12 13 14	Ch 1, turn; hdc2tog twice, hdc in each st across to last 4 sts, hdc2tog twice	(26 hdc)
☐ **Rows 15 to 18** 15 16 17 18	Ch 1, turn; hdc2tog, hdc in each st across to last 2 sts, hdc2tog	(18 hdc)
☐ **Rows 19 to 22** 19 20 21 22	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(18 hdc)
☐ **Rows 23 to 26** 23 24 25 26	Ch 1, turn; 2 hdc in each of next 2 sts, hdc in each st across to last 2 sts, 2 hdc in each of next 2 sts	(34 hdc)
☐ **Row 27**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(34 hdc)
☐ **Row 28**	Ch 1, turn; 2 hdc in next st, hdc in each st across to last st, 2 hdc in next st	(36 hdc)
☐ **Rows 29 to 34** 29 30 31 32 33 34	Repeat Rows 27 and 28, 3 more times (38, 40, 42 hdc at the ends of the repeats)	(42 hdc)
☐ **Rows 35 to 44** 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(42 hdc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an end of about 12 in (30 cm) for sewing. Side seams: fold the piece at the crotch, right sides together, so that the foundation chain lies along row 44. At each side sew the ends of rows 1 to 10 to the ends of rows 44 to 35, row 1 to row 44 and row 10 to row 35, with the long end at one side and a new length of yarn A at the other. Turn the right side out.	

Waistband

Yarn B, snow.

☐ **Foundation**	With the right side facing and the waist uppermost, join yarn B at the right side seam (as worn); ch 1, beginning in the st next to the seam, sc in each of the 42 sts of row 44 of the cover piece, across the back, then sc in each of the 42 chs of the foundation chain of the cover piece, along their free side, across the front (84 sc); the ch skipped at the start of row 1 stays free; join with sl st in first sc. This is rnd 1.	
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 2; **[**dc in next 8 sts, dc2tog**] 4 times**, **[**dc in next 9 sts, dc2tog**] 4 times**; join with sl st in first dc	(76 dc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1; **[**puff in next st, sc in next st**] 38 times**; join with sl st in first puff	(38 puffs, 38 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

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Leg edging: make 2

Yarn B, snow.

☐ **Foundation**	With the right side facing, join yarn B at the lower end of a side seam; ch 2, work along the leg edge, in the ends of the 24 rows that go from this seam down to the crotch and up again to this seam (at the right side seam, as worn, from row 11 to row 34; at the left side seam from row 34 to row 11): [dc in the end of each of next 2 rows, 2 dc in the end of next row] 4 times, [dc in the end of next row, 2 dc in the end of next row] 6 times (34 dc); join with sl st in first dc. This is rnd 1.	
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1; **[**puff in next st, sc in next st**] 17 times**; join with sl st in first puff	(17 puffs, 17 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off. Work the second leg edging in the same way at the other side seam.	

Pompom

Yarn B, snow.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn B, ch 3; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1; 6 sc in ring; join with sl st in first sc	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1; 2 puff in each of next 6 sts; join with sl st in first puff	(12 puffs)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1; **[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1; **[**puff in next st, sc in next st**] 9 times**; join with sl st in first puff	(9 puffs, 9 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 1; sc2tog 9 times; join with sl st in first sc2tog	(9 sc)
☐ **End**	Stuff the pompom lightly with fiberfill, so that it is a flat ball. Fasten off, leaving an end of about 24 in (60 cm). Draw the end through the 9 sts of the last rnd, pull it tight to close the hole, and fasten it with a stitch. Do not cut it: it sews the pompom on.	

Belt

Yarn C, soft black.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn C, ch 84; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring, taking care not to twist the chain.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1; sc in each ch around; join with sl st in first sc	(84 sc)
☐ **Rnds 2 to 4** 2 3 4	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(84 sc)
☐ **End**	The belt is about 7/8 in (2.2 cm) wide. Fasten off, leaving an end of about 108 in (275 cm) for sewing.	

Buckle

Yarn D, brass.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn D, ch 16; join with sl st in first ch to form a ring, taking care not to twist the chain.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1; **[**sc in next 3 sts, 3 sc in next st**] 4 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(24 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1; **[**sc in next 4 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 4 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(32 sc)
☐ **End**	The buckle is a square frame, about 1 7/8 in (4.8 cm) across, with an opening of 1 in (2.5 cm). Fasten off, leaving an end of about 32 in (80 cm) for sewing.	

Assembly

1. The rnds of the hat are counted from the point, and the sts of a rnd from its first st, at the middle of the back. The middle of the front lies between sts 30 and 31 of a rnd of 60 sts. Point: lay the hat flat, its front up and the brim toward you, and bend the point over to the left as you look at it, in a curve, until its tip lies on rnd 24 toward the side of the hat, over st 18. Pin it. Sew the under side of rnds 1 to 3 of the point to the hat with a length of yarn A about 20 in (50 cm) long, going all round twice.

2. Pompom: lay the pompom on the tip of the point, with its closed side down, so that it covers rnds 1 and 2 of the hat. Sew it down all round its edge, through the point and the hat, with its own end, going round twice, so that nothing hangs loose.

3. Belt: lay the cover with its front up and the waist uppermost. Rows are counted from the foundation chain, and the middle of the front lies between sts 21 and 22 of a row. Slip the belt over the cover, right side out, with its foundation chain uppermost and the beginning of its rnds at the right side seam (as worn). Its upper edge lies on row 7 at the front and on row 38 at the back; its 84 sts lie over the 42 sts of the front and the 42 sts of the back. Pin it flat and sew down both edges all round with whip stitch, with its own end and, when that is used up, with new lengths of yarn C.

4. Buckle: lay the buckle on the belt, right side up, with its middle over the middle of the front and over the middle of the belt, two of its sides straight up and down. Sew down its outer edge and its inner edge all round with whip stitch, with its own end. With a length of yarn D about 10 in (25 cm) long make two straight stitches side by side from the middle of the opening to the middle of the left side of the buckle as you look at it, over the belt, for the pin.

Finishing

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

In all: 4 pieces.

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