One piece sideways baby cardigan

6-12 months, to fit chest 18 in (45.5 cm) · US terms



Finished size
About 21¼ in (54 cm) at the chest and about 11 in (28 cm) long
To fit a chest of 18 in (45.5 cm)

Skill
Easy
One stitch in back loops, simple shaping, two seams

Yarn
Light (3), 7 colors

Hook
4.5 mm (US 7)

Gauge
16 stitches and 13 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In half double crochet rib.

You will need

Yarn A: cream, main	**about 250 yd (229 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: rose, contrast	**about 40 yd (37 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: peach, color 3	**about 40 yd (37 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: butter, color 4	**about 40 yd (37 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: mint, color 5	**about 40 yd (37 m), an estimate**
Yarn F: sky, color 6	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Yarn G: lilac, color 7	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**

Hook: 4.5 mm (US 7), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: yarn needle, scissors, tape measure, stitch markers, 5 buttons, 5/8 in (15 mm) across 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	To fit chest	Chest (buttoned)	Length from the shoulder	Armhole depth	Sleeve	Upper sleeve	From cuff to cuff	Back neck (before the neckband)	Yarn, an estimate
0-3 months	16 in (40.5 cm)	18¾ in (47.5 cm)	9½ in (24 cm)	3¾ in (9.5 cm)	6 in (15 cm)	7½ in (19 cm)	21 in (53.5 cm)	4¼ in (11 cm)	about 345 yd (315 m)
3-6 months	17 in (43 cm)	20 in (51 cm)	10½ in (26.5 cm)	4 in (10 cm)	6½ in (16.5 cm)	8 in (20.5 cm)	22¾ in (58 cm)	5 in (12.5 cm)	about 405 yd (370 m)

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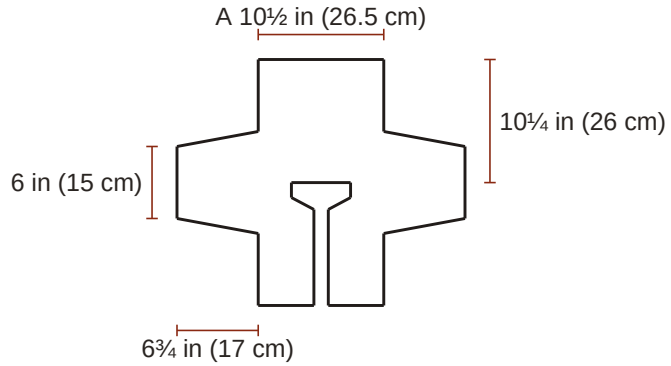
6-12 months (this file)	**18 in (45.5 cm)**	**21¼ in (54 cm)**	**11 in (28 cm)**	**4¼ in (11 cm)**	**7½ in (19 cm)**	**8½ in (21.5 cm)**	**25¼ in (64 cm)**	**5 in (12.5 cm)**	**about 440 yd (402 m)**
12-18 months	19 in (48.5 cm)	22½ in (57 cm)	11½ in (29 cm)	4½ in (11.5 cm)	8 in (20.5 cm)	9 in (23 cm)	27¼ in (69 cm)	5½ in (14 cm)	about 495 yd (453 m)
18-24 months	20 in (51 cm)	23¾ in (60.5 cm)	12 in (30.5 cm)	4¾ in (12 cm)	8¾ in (22 cm)	9½ in (24 cm)	29 in (73.5 cm)	5½ in (14 cm)	about 540 yd (494 m)

Schematic



The piece before the seams
A half the chest (buttoned)

Abbreviations

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

hdc half double crochet (UK htr, half treble)
sl st slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
ch chain stitch
Rnd round
st stitch
sp space
back loop only under the one loop of the stitch that is farther from you

Special stitches

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. It leaves 1 hdc2tog for the next row or round.

Gauge

16 stitches and 13 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in half double crochet rib.

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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 rib on 24 sts, about 6 in (15 cm) wide and 6¼ in (16 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. Half double crochet rib is half double crochet (UK: half treble) worked in the back loop only of every st, in the swatch too. Single crochet (UK: double crochet) bands: the same sts and 18.5 rows to 4 in (10 cm).

Before you start

- On a baby: sew every button on very firmly, and look at each one before every wear.
- The finished chest is from 2¾ in (7 cm) to 3¾ in (9.5 cm) wider than the body measurement, by the size. Choose by the finished measurement you like; no fit is promised beyond the measurements given.
- The turning chain (ch 1 for single and half 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.
- The cardigan is worked in one piece from the left cuff to the right cuff, so the rows stand upright on the body. Rows worked in the back loops make ridges and look the same on both faces; the words of the back say which face is the outside.
- Where a stitch is added in the first or the last st of a row, or a row goes over chains, work under the whole top of the st or under two strands of the ch; everywhere else in the rows work in the back loop only, as the rows say.
- A decrease counts as one stitch. To work a hdc2tog in back loops only, insert the hook in the back loop of each of the two sts.
- A row end is the side of the first or the last stitch of a row: work under two strands of it.
- The color notes hold from one piece to the next too: the last yarn over of the row that a piece goes on from is worked with the color of the next row.
- Sew the seams with the yarn needle and yarn A.
- 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.

Instructions

Chosen: 6-12 months, to fit chest 18 in (45.5 cm). 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 hdc is half treble, sl st is slip stitch and sc is double crochet.

Left sleeve

Yarn E, mint.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn E, ch 25. Colors: rows 1 and 2 yarn E; rows 3 and 4 yarn A; rows 5 and 6 yarn D; rows 7 and 8 yarn A; rows 9 and 10 yarn C; rows 11 and 12 yarn A; rows 13 and 14 yarn B; rows 15 and 16 yarn A; rows 17 and 18 yarn G; rows 19 and 20 yarn A; rows 21 and 22 yarn F.	
☐ **Row 1**	Hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(24 hdc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in back loop only of each st across	**(24 hdc)**
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; 2 hdc in first st, hdc in back loop only of each st across to last st, 2 hdc in last st	**(26 hdc)**

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☐ **Rows 4 to 6**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in back loop only of each st across	**(26 hdc)**

A box for each row, 4 to 6: tick them off as you go.

4 5 6

☐ **Rows 7 to 22**	Repeat Rows 3 to 6, 4 more times (28, 30, 32, 34 hdc at the ends of the repeats)	**(34 hdc)**

A box for each row, 7 to 22: tick them off as you go.

7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22

☐ **End**	Do not fasten off.

Left side

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Go on from row 22 of the left sleeve. Do not fasten off. A chain is added now at each end, for the back and the front below the arm. Put a marker in the loop on the hook and let it go. With a separate end of yarn A, sl st in the first st of row 22, at the other end of the row, and ch 24; fasten off. Take up the marked loop again and ch 24. The ch 1 of row 23 is the turning chain: the first hdc goes in the 2nd ch from the hook. Colors: rows 23 and 24 yarn A; rows 25 and 26 yarn E; rows 27 and 28 yarn A; rows 29 and 30 yarn D; row 31 yarn A.	
☐ **Row 23**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in next 24 chs, hdc in back loop only of next 34 sts, hdc in next 24 chs	**(82 hdc)**
☐ **Rows 24 to 31**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in back loop only of each st across	**(82 hdc)**

A box for each row, 24 to 31: tick them off as you go.

24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31

☐ **End**	Do not fasten off.

Back

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Go on from row 31 of the left side. The back is worked on the first 41 sts of the next row, from the lower edge to the neck; the other 41 sts wait for the left front. The face that is toward you in row 32 is the outside of the cardigan: put a marker on it. Colors: row 32 yarn A; rows 33 and 34 yarn C; rows 35 and 36 yarn A; rows 37 and 38 yarn B; rows 39 and 40 yarn A; rows 41 and 42 yarn B; rows 43 and 44 yarn A; rows 45 and 46 yarn C; row 47 yarn A.	
☐ **Row 32**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in back loop only of next 41 sts, leave the last 41 sts unworked	**(41 hdc)**
☐ **Rows 33 to 47**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in back loop only of each st across	**(41 hdc)**

A box for each row, 33 to 47: tick them off as you go.

33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47

☐ **End**	Row 47 ends at the lower edge. Do not fasten off: put a marker in the loop and leave this piece for now.

Left front

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Go back to row 31 of the left side, with the same side facing you as for row 32 of the back. Skip the next 5 unworked sts of row 31 for the neck and join yarn A in the next st. The first st of row 32 goes in the joining st; the row goes from the neck to the lower edge. Colors: row 32 yarn A; rows 33 and 34 yarn C; rows 35 and 36 yarn A; rows 37 and 38 yarn B.	
☐ **Row 32**	Ch 1; hdc in back loop only of each st across	**(36 hdc)**

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☐ **Row 33**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in back loop only of each st across to last 2 sts, hdc2tog in back loops only	**(35 hdc)**
☐ **Row 34**	Ch 1, turn; hdc2tog in back loops only, hdc in back loop only of each st across	**(34 hdc)**
☐ **Rows 35 to 36**	Repeat Rows 33 and 34, once more	**(32 hdc)**

A box for each row, 35 to 36: tick them off as you go.

35 36

☐ **Rows 37 to 38**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in back loop only of each st across	**(32 hdc)**

A box for each row, 37 to 38: tick them off as you go.

37 38

☐ **End**	The 32 sts of the last row are the front edge. Fasten off.

Right front

Yarn B, rose.

☐ **Foundation**	This piece begins at the front edge. Row 1 goes from the lower edge to the neck; the neck edge is the end at which the sts are added. With yarn B, ch 33. Colors: rows 1 and 2 yarn B; rows 3 and 4 yarn A; rows 5 and 6 yarn C; row 7 yarn A.	
☐ **Row 1**	Hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(32 hdc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 3**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in back loop only of each st across	**(32 hdc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 3: tick them off as you go.

2 3

☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; 2 hdc in first st, hdc in back loop only of each st across	**(33 hdc)**
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in back loop only of each st across to last st, 2 hdc in last st	**(34 hdc)**
☐ **Rows 6 to 7**	Repeat Rows 4 and 5, once more	**(36 hdc)**

A box for each row, 6 to 7: tick them off as you go.

6 7

☐ **End**	Row 7 ends at the neck edge. Ch 5 for the neck and fasten off.

Right side

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Go on from row 47 of the back. Row 48 joins the right front to the back: it goes across the back from the lower edge to the neck, with the outside facing, then over the 5 chs at the neck edge of the right front, then across the right front from the neck to its lower edge. Hold the right front beside the back, with its last row at the top and its 5 chs next to the neck edge of the back. Colors: row 48 yarn A; rows 49 and 50 yarn D; rows 51 and 52 yarn A; rows 53 and 54 yarn E; rows 55 and 56 yarn A.	
☐ **Row 48**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in back loop only of next 41 sts, hdc in next 5 chs, hdc in back loop only of next 36 sts	**(82 hdc)**
☐ **Rows 49 to 56**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in back loop only of each st across	**(82 hdc)**

A box for each row, 49 to 56: tick them off as you go.

49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56

☐ **End**	Do not fasten off.

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Right sleeve

Yarn F, sky.

☐ **Foundation**	Go on from row 56 of the right side. The sleeve is worked on the middle 34 sts. It begins with a new join: do not change the yarn at the end of row 56. Colors: rows 57 and 58 yarn F; rows 59 and 60 yarn A; rows 61 and 62 yarn G; rows 63 and 64 yarn A; rows 65 and 66 yarn B; rows 67 and 68 yarn A; rows 69 and 70 yarn C; rows 71 and 72 yarn A; rows 73 and 74 yarn D; rows 75 and 76 yarn A; rows 77 and 78 yarn E.	
☐ **Row 57**	Fasten off and turn. Skip the first 24 sts and join yarn F in the next st; ch 1, and beginning in that st, hdc in back loop only of next 34 sts, leave the last 24 sts unworked	**(34 hdc)**
☐ **Rows 58 to 60**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in back loop only of each st across	**(34 hdc)**

A box for each row, 58 to 60: tick them off as you go.

☐ 58 ☐ 59 ☐ 60

☐ **Row 61**	Ch 1, turn; hdc2tog in back loops only, hdc in back loop only of each st across to last 2 sts, hdc2tog in back loops only	**(32 hdc)**
☐ **Rows 62 to 77**	Repeat Rows 58 to 61, 4 more times (30, 28, 26, 24 hdc at the ends of the repeats)	**(24 hdc)**

A box for each row, 62 to 77: tick them off as you go.

☐ 62 ☐ 63 ☐ 64 ☐ 65 ☐ 66 ☐ 67 ☐ 68 ☐ 69 ☐ 70 ☐ 71 ☐ 72 ☐ 73 ☐ 74 ☐ 75 ☐ 76 ☐ 77

☐ **Row 78**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in back loop only of each st across	**(24 hdc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Hem band

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Work this at step 2 of the finishing. With the right side facing and the lower edge uppermost, join yarn A at the front edge of the left front (as worn); ch 1, work in the 66 row ends of the lower edge, across the left front, the back and the right front: [sc in each of the next 4 row ends, 2 sc in the next row end] 13 times, sc in the next row end (79 sc). This is row 1.	
☐ **Rows 2 to 4**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(79 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 4: tick them off as you go.

☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4

☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

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Neckband

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Work this at step 3 of the finishing. With the right side facing, join yarn A at the front edge of the right front (as worn), at the neck; ch 1, [sc in the next row end, 2 sc in the next row end] 3 times, sc in the next row end along the right front (10 sc), sc in each of the 5 chs at the right side of the neck, along their free side, [sc in each of the next 4 row ends, 2 sc in the next row end] 3 times, sc in the next row end along the back neck (19 sc), sc in each of the 5 unworked sts at the left side of the neck, [sc in the next row end, 2 sc in the next row end] 3 times, sc in the next row end along the left front (10 sc); 49 sc in all. This is row 1.	
☐ **Rows 2 to 4**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(49 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 4: tick them off as you go.

2 3 4

☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Button band

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Work this at step 4 of the finishing. With the right side facing, join yarn A at the neck end of the left front edge (as worn); ch 1, sc in the end of each of the 4 neckband rows, sc in each of the 32 sts of the front edge and sc in the end of each of the 4 hem band rows (40 sc). This is row 1.	
☐ **Rows 2 to 4**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(40 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 4: tick them off as you go.

2 3 4

☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Buttonhole band

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Work this at step 4 of the finishing. With the right side facing, join yarn A at the lower end of the right front edge (as worn); ch 1, sc in the end of each of the 4 hem band rows, sc in each of the 32 chs of the foundation chain of the right front piece, along their free side, and sc in the end of each of the 4 neckband rows (40 sc). This is row 1.	
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 2 sts, **[**ch 2, skip next 2 sts, sc in next 6 sts**] 4 times**, ch 2, skip next 2 sts, sc in next 4 sts	**(30 sc, 5 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 4 sts, **[**2 sc in next ch-2 sp, sc in next 6 sts**] 4 times**, 2 sc in next ch-2 sp, sc in next 2 sts	**(40 sc)**
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(40 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

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Cuff band: make 2

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Work this at step 5 of the finishing. With the right side facing and the lower edge of a sleeve uppermost, join yarn A at the sleeve seam; ch 1, sc in each of the 24 chs of the foundation chain (left sleeve) or sts of the last row (right sleeve) around (24 sc); join with sl st in first sc. This is rnd 1.	
☐ **Rnds 2 to 3**	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	**(24 sc)**

A box for each round, 2 to 3: tick them off as you go.

2 3

☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Assembly

1. Seams: the outside is the face with the marker; from here on 'right side' means the outside. Fold the piece at the shoulders with the right sides together, so that the fronts lie on the back. On each side sew one long seam: the 22 row ends of one edge of the sleeve to the 22 row ends of the other edge, from the cuff to the underarm, and then the 24 sts of the front below the arm to the 24 sts of the back, down to the lower edge (on the left side these are the chs, sewn along their free side).

2. Hem band: work it now, as written above.

3. Neckband: work it now, as written above.

4. Button band and buttonhole band: work them now, as written above.

5. Cuff bands: work them now, as written above.

6. Buttons: lap the buttonhole band over the button band, edge to edge. Mark the place under each buttonhole on the button band and sew the 5 buttons there with the sewing thread. The buttons must hold a child's pull: sew each one on, fasten the thread off, and sew through it a second time with a new thread. A loose button is a danger to a baby: see that each one is firm before every wear.

Finishing

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

In all: 4,582 stitches.

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