Striped toddler poncho

12 to 24 months · US terms



Finished size
About 19¾ × 12½ in (50 × 32 cm)

Skill
Easy
Double crochet in rows, color changes, sewing

Yarn
Medium (4), 4 colors

Hook
5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge
13 stitches and 7 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In double crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: cream, main	**about 225 yd (206 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: strawberry, first stripe	**about 80 yd (73 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: sky, second stripe	**about 75 yd (69 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: lemon, third stripe	**about 40 yd (37 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9). Also: yarn needle, scissors and tape measure.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. The estimate is from the stitches and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Width	Length	Yarn, an estimate
12 to 24 months (this file)	**19¾ in (50 cm)**	**12½ in (32 cm)**	**about 420 yd (385 m)**
Age 2 to 3	21½ in (54.5 cm)	15 in (38 cm)	about 545 yd (498 m)
Age 4 to 5	23½ in (59.5 cm)	17 in (43.5 cm)	about 655 yd (599 m)

Abbreviations

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

ch chain stitch
dc double crochet (UK tr, treble)
RS right side
WS wrong side
st stitch

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Gauge

13 stitches and 7 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in double crochet.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After row 8 the piece, laid flat, is about 4.6 in (12 cm) tall. If yours is shorter, use a larger hook; if it is taller, use a smaller one.

Work each panel wider or longer: for another width start with any number of chains plus 2; work any number of rows. Keep the two panels alike and leave the neck opening in the middle.

Before you start

- Whip stitch (sewing): with the yarn needle go from back to front under both loops of a stitch on each of the two pieces (or, where a seam says so, under two strands at the end of a row), bring the needle over the two edges to the back and go through the next pair in the same way, without pulling tight.
- The ch 3 at the start of a row counts as a dc; the last stitch of the next row is worked into the top of it. The chain stands on the first stitch of the row, so "next st" right after it is the second stitch.
- In row 2 the turning ch is the skipped chs at the start of row 1: its top is the one that was next to the hook.
- Row 1 is a right side row. Turn once between rows: the word "turn" near the start of each row is that turn.
- To change color, work the last stitch of the old color until two loops are left on the hook and draw the new color through them. Cut the old color, leaving a tail of about 6 in (15.2 cm), and fasten in a fresh piece each time: the yarn amounts and the ends to weave in are counted this way.
- Each panel is about 19.7 in (50 cm) wide and 12.6 in (32 cm) long; make two alike.
- 22 rows in two-row stripes: A, B, A, C, A, D, and begin again.
- Ages are a guide to the size of the finished piece: go by the measurements.

Instructions

Chosen: 12 to 24 months. 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 dc is treble.

Front and back panel: make 2

Yarns in order of use: A, cream; B, strawberry; C, sky; D, lemon.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 66.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Dc in 4th ch from hook (skipped chs count as dc) and in each ch across	**(64 dc)**
☐ **Row 2 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; dc in next 62 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(64 dc)**
☐ **Rows 3 to 4**	**Yarn B.** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; dc in next 62 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(64 dc)**

A box for each row, 3 to 4: tick them off as you go.

3 4

☐ **Rows 5 to 6**	**Yarn A.** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; dc in next 62 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(64 dc)**

A box for each row, 5 to 6: tick them off as you go.

5 6

☐ **Rows 7 to 8**	**Yarn C.** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; dc in next 62 sts, dc in top of turning ch	**(64 dc)**

A box for each row, 7 to 8: tick them off as you go.

7 8

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☐ **Rows 9 to 10** **Yarn A.** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; dc in next 62 sts, dc in top of turning ch **(64 dc)**

A box for each row, 9 to 10: tick them off as you go.

9 10

☐ **Rows 11 to 12** **Yarn D.** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; dc in next 62 sts, dc in top of turning ch **(64 dc)**

A box for each row, 11 to 12: tick them off as you go.

11 12

☐ **Rows 13 to 14** **Yarn A.** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; dc in next 62 sts, dc in top of turning ch **(64 dc)**

A box for each row, 13 to 14: tick them off as you go.

13 14

☐ **Rows 15 to 16** **Yarn B.** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; dc in next 62 sts, dc in top of turning ch **(64 dc)**

A box for each row, 15 to 16: tick them off as you go.

15 16

☐ **Rows 17 to 18** **Yarn A.** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; dc in next 62 sts, dc in top of turning ch **(64 dc)**

A box for each row, 17 to 18: tick them off as you go.

17 18

☐ **Rows 19 to 20** **Yarn C.** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; dc in next 62 sts, dc in top of turning ch **(64 dc)**

A box for each row, 19 to 20: tick them off as you go.

19 20

☐ **Rows 21 to 22** **Yarn A.** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; dc in next 62 sts, dc in top of turning ch **(64 dc)**

A box for each row, 21 to 22: tick them off as you go.

21 22

☐ **End** Fasten off.

Assembly

1. Shoulders: lay the two panels together with right sides facing and the last rows level. Thread the yarn needle with yarn B. Beginning at one side edge, whip stitch the last rows together, under both top loops of each stitch of both panels, for about 5.1 in (13 cm) toward the middle, and fasten off; do the same from the other side edge with a new piece of yarn. The middle 9.5 in (24.1 cm) stays open for the neck, which makes an opening about 19 in (48.3 cm) round. Try it on before you weave in the ends: for a larger opening undo a few stitches of each seam.

2. Sides: leave them open, or sew them for a closer fit. Keep the right sides together and match the two panels row by row. With a new piece of yarn B begin at the lower edge of one side and whip stitch the row ends together: the needle goes from back to front through the end of the row on each panel, under two strands of the last dc, or the ch 3 that stands for one, with 2 stitches to each row, up to 5 in (12.7 cm) below the shoulder seam; fasten off and sew the other side to match. The ends of the two shoulder seams are in the count below; two side seams add 4 more.

Finishing

- Weave in the ends.

In all: 2 pieces; 2,816 stitches; 48 ends to weave in.

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