Toddler ripple cowl

Toddler · US terms



Finished size

About 22½ in (57 cm) around the lower edge, 16¾ in (43 cm) around the neck, which stretches, and 7 in (18 cm) deep, measured straight up

To fit a head of 18 to 19½ in (46 to 50 cm)

Skill

Easy

Half double crochet with increases and decreases, color changes and a ribbed edge

Yarn

Light (3), 7 colors

Hook

4 mm (US G-6)

Gauge

17 stitches and 13 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)

In half double crochet ripples.

What you need

Yarn A: warm white, main color	**about 70 yd (64 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: soft lilac, stripe	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: baby blue, stripe	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: mint green, stripe	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: buttercup, stripe	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Yarn F: melon, stripe	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Yarn G: candy pink, stripe	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 70 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 250 yd (229 m).

Hook: 4 mm (US G-6), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a yarn needle, scissors, a tape measure and a stitch marker.

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, with 15 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Head	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Baby	a head of 16 to 18 in (41 to 46 cm)	19¼ in (49 cm) around the lower edge, 14½ in (37 cm) around the neck, 4¾ in (12 cm) deep	about 99 yd (91 m)
Toddler (this file)	**a head of 18 to 19½ in (46 to 50 cm)**	**22½ in (57 cm) around the lower edge, 16¾ in (43 cm) around the neck, 7 in (18 cm) deep**	**about 170 yd (155 m)**

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Small child	a head of 19½ to 21 in (50 to 53 cm)	25½ in (65 cm) around the lower edge, 19¼ in (49 cm) around the neck, 8¾ in (22 cm) deep	about 245 yd (224 m)

Gauge

17 stitches and 13 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in half double crochet ripples.

13 rounds of ripples to 4 in (10 cm), and one ripple of 16 stitches about 3¼ in (8.1 cm) wide from point to point. Check it on the cowl itself, laid flat as a doubled tube and not stretched, when 4 rounds are done: in Toddler it is about 11¼ in (29 cm) across the scallops; in Baby it is about 9½ in (24 cm) across the scallops; in Small child it is about 12¾ in (32 cm) across the scallops; and the 4 rounds are about 1¼ in (3 cm) deep. (Worked flat in rows, the same half double crochet comes to 17 stitches to 4 in (10 cm).) If they measure more, start again with a smaller hook; if they measure less, with a larger one.

Notes

- The cowl is worked from the lower edge up, in joined rounds. Do not turn: the side that faces you is the right side, and it is the outside.
- The ch 1 or ch 2 at the start of a round does not count as a stitch.
- Work the foundation chain loosely, so that the lower edge can make its scallops.
- The first stitch of a round goes into the stitch that the joining sl st went into (in round 1, into the same chain); where a round begins with "2 hdc in next st", both go there. The joining sl st itself is not a stitch and is not worked into.
- One ripple is the words in the brackets. The two "2 hdc in next st" that meet, the end of one ripple and the start of the next, make a point that stands up; the two hdc2tog side by side make the hollow between two points. Every round begins and ends on a point. At the lower edge the hollows hang down as scallops.
- In round 1 work each hdc2tog over the next 2 chains. In every later round it goes over the next 2 stitches, and it counts as one stitch.
- To change yarn, make the joining sl st of the round before with the new yarn: put the hook in the first stitch, take the new yarn over the hook and pull it through.
- The white yarn A is not cut between its rounds: leave it hanging on the inside and bring it up loosely to the next round that names it. Join it with a tail of about 6 in (15 cm). Every other color is cut when its rounds are done, and has a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) at both ends.
- Put the marker into the first stitch of each round and move it up.
- Choose the size by the head, measured round over the forehead and the ears. A head right between two sizes takes the larger. The ribbed neck is smaller than the head and stretches over it.
- Take the cowl off for sleep and in a car seat.
- Buy whole balls from one dye lot.

Instructions

Toddler. US terms.

ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **hdc** half double crochet (UK half treble), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **tr** treble crochet (UK double treble), **Rnd** round, **st** stitch.

FPdc round the stitch below, from the front, **BPdc** round the stitch below, from the back, **hdc2tog** 2 hdc made into one, **yo** yarn over the hook.

2 hdc in next st: both in one stitch. **hdc in next 5 sts**: one in each.

[ ] 7 times: work what is inside 7 times in all.

(98 hdc, 14 hdc2tog): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

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Yarns in order of use: B, soft lilac; A, warm white; C, baby blue; D, mint green; E, buttercup; F, melon; G, candy pink.

Rounds 1 to 17 are the ripples. Rounds 6 and 12 are worked without the increases: each takes 2 stitches out of every ripple. Round 18 fills the hollows with taller stitches, so that the edge becomes level, and rounds 19 to 22 are the neck.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, ch 112, join with sl st in first ch to make a loop, without twisting the chain.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1, **[**2 hdc in next ch, hdc in next 5 chs, hdc2tog, hdc2tog, hdc in next 5 chs, 2 hdc in next ch**] 7 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(98 hdc, 14 hdc2tog)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, **[**2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 5 sts, hdc2tog, hdc2tog, hdc in next 5 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 7 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(98 hdc, 14 hdc2tog)
☐ **Rnd 3**	With A, ch 1, **[**2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 5 sts, hdc2tog, hdc2tog, hdc in next 5 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 7 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(98 hdc, 14 hdc2tog)
☐ **Rnd 4**	With C, ch 1, **[**2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 5 sts, hdc2tog, hdc2tog, hdc in next 5 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 7 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(98 hdc, 14 hdc2tog)
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 1, **[**2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 5 sts, hdc2tog, hdc2tog, hdc in next 5 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 7 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(98 hdc, 14 hdc2tog)
☐ **Rnd 6**	With A, ch 1, **[**hdc in next 6 sts, hdc2tog, hdc2tog, hdc in next 6 sts**] 7 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(84 hdc, 14 hdc2tog)
☐ **Rnd 7**	With D, ch 1, **[**2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 4 sts, hdc2tog, hdc2tog, hdc in next 4 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 7 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(84 hdc, 14 hdc2tog)
☐ **Rnd 8**	Ch 1, **[**2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 4 sts, hdc2tog, hdc2tog, hdc in next 4 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 7 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(84 hdc, 14 hdc2tog)
☐ **Rnd 9**	With A, ch 1, **[**2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 4 sts, hdc2tog, hdc2tog, hdc in next 4 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 7 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(84 hdc, 14 hdc2tog)
☐ **Rnd 10**	With E, ch 1, **[**2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 4 sts, hdc2tog, hdc2tog, hdc in next 4 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 7 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(84 hdc, 14 hdc2tog)
☐ **Rnd 11**	Ch 1, **[**2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 4 sts, hdc2tog, hdc2tog, hdc in next 4 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 7 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(84 hdc, 14 hdc2tog)

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☐ **Rnd 12**	With A, ch 1, **[**hdc in next 5 sts, hdc2tog, hdc2tog, hdc in next 5 sts**] 7 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(70 hdc, 14 hdc2tog)
☐ **Rnd 13**	With F, ch 1, **[**2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 3 sts, hdc2tog, hdc2tog, hdc in next 3 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 7 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(70 hdc, 14 hdc2tog)
☐ **Rnd 14**	Ch 1, **[**2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 3 sts, hdc2tog, hdc2tog, hdc in next 3 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 7 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(70 hdc, 14 hdc2tog)
☐ **Rnd 15**	With A, ch 1, **[**2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 3 sts, hdc2tog, hdc2tog, hdc in next 3 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 7 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(70 hdc, 14 hdc2tog)
☐ **Rnd 16**	With G, ch 1, **[**2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 3 sts, hdc2tog, hdc2tog, hdc in next 3 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 7 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(70 hdc, 14 hdc2tog)
☐ **Rnd 17**	Ch 1, **[**2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 3 sts, hdc2tog, hdc2tog, hdc in next 3 sts, 2 hdc in next st**] 7 times**; join with sl st in first hdc	(70 hdc, 14 hdc2tog)
☐ **Rnd 18**	With A, ch 1, **[**sc in next 2 sts, hdc in next st, dc in next st, tr in next 4 sts, dc in next st, hdc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 7 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(28 sc, 14 hdc, 14 dc, 28 tr)
☐ **Rnd 19**	Ch 2, dc in each st around; join with sl st in first dc	(84 dc)
☐ **Rnds 20 to 22** 20 21 22	Ch 2, **[**FPdc around next st, BPdc around next st**] 42 times**; join with sl st in first FPdc	(42 FPdc, 42 BPdc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Putting it together

Weave in the ends on the inside with the yarn needle, each into its own color.

Finishing

- Dampen the cowl, lay it flat as a doubled tube, pat the scallops of the lower edge out and let it dry.

In all: 22 rounds; 2,072 stitches.

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