Watermelon stripe baby blanket

Standard · US terms



Finished size
About 30¼ × 34 in (77 × 86 cm)

Skill
Easy
Stripes, back loop only

Yarn
Medium (4), 3 colors

Hook
5.5 mm (US I-9)

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

You will need

Yarn A: leaf green, contrast	**about 250 yd (229 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: white, contrast	**about 145 yd (133 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: coral, main	**about 700 yd (640 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. To measure your own: work the swatch and measure it, mark the yarn where the swatch begins and ends, pull the swatch out and measure the yarn it took; divide by the area of the swatch and multiply by the area of the piece.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Standard (this file)	**30¼ × 34 in (77 × 86 cm)**	**about 1,095 yd (1,002 m)**
Small	24 × 28 in (61 × 71 cm)	about 725 yd (663 m)
Large	36 × 42 in (91 × 107 cm)	about 1,625 yd (1,486 m)

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Abbreviations

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

ch	chain stitch
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
BLO	back loop only
RS	right side
st	stitch

Gauge

13 stitches and 16 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet rib. Along a row, count every stitch and every chain between stitches as one.

To count your gauge in the middle of the test piece: let it lie flat and do not pull the ribs apart. A row has no chains between its stitches.

The pattern also stops you to measure after row 12.

> **The swatch.** A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. The test piece is about 6¼ in (16 cm) wide and 6 in (15 cm) tall, so that you can count over 4 in (10 cm) in the middle of it.
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> | **Swatch foundation** | With A, ch 21. | |
> | **Swatch row 1 (RS)** | Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across | **(20 sc)** |
> | **Swatch rows 2 to 24** | Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across | **(20 sc)** |

For another width, make the chain longer or shorter: each chain is one more stitch. Measure your own gauge first.

Before you start

- The ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch: the first stitch of the row goes into the first st of the row below.
- Row 1 is the right side.
- The back loop is the loop of the stitch that is farther from you as you work.
- Change yarn in the last yarn over of the last stitch of the row before.
- Cut a yarn when its stripe is done, leaving a tail of about 6 in (15 cm), and work over the tails as you go or weave them in at the end. The estimates include the tails.
- Leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) when you begin, and weave it in at the end with the others. Join a new ball at the end of a row, with the same tails: each join adds two ends.

Instructions

Chosen: Standard. 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 sc is double crochet.

Yarn A, leaf green.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 99.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(98 sc)**

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☐ **Rows 2 to 6**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 6: tick them off as you go.

2 3 4 5 6

☐ **Row 7**	With B, ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**
☐ **Row 9**	With C, ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**
☐ **Rows 10 to 28**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**

A box for each row, 10 to 28: tick them off as you go. The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

10 11 **12** 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

> **Stop and measure when you have worked row 12.** Width, across the middle of the rows and not along the chain edge: about 30¼ in (77 cm). If it is wider, start again with a smaller hook; if it is narrower, with a larger one. If only the chain edge is tight, make the chain with a larger hook.

☐ **Row 29**	With B, ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**
☐ **Row 30**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**
☐ **Row 31**	With A, ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**
☐ **Rows 32 to 36**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**

A box for each row, 32 to 36: tick them off as you go.

32 33 34 35 36

☐ **Row 37**	With B, ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**
☐ **Row 38**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**
☐ **Row 39**	With C, ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**
☐ **Rows 40 to 58**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**

A box for each row, 40 to 58: tick them off as you go.

40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58

☐ **Row 59**	With B, ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**
☐ **Row 60**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**
☐ **Row 61**	With A, ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**
☐ **Rows 62 to 66**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**

A box for each row, 62 to 66: tick them off as you go.

62 63 64 65 66

☐ **Row 67**	With B, ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**
☐ **Row 68**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**
☐ **Row 69**	With C, ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**
☐ **Rows 70 to 88**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**

A box for each row, 70 to 88: tick them off as you go.

70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85 86 87 88

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☐ **Row 89**	With B, ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**
☐ **Row 90**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**
☐ **Row 91**	With A, ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**
☐ **Rows 92 to 96**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**

A box for each row, 92 to 96: tick them off as you go.

☐ 92 ☐ 93 ☐ 94 ☐ 95 ☐ 96

☐ **Row 97**	With B, ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**
☐ **Row 98**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**
☐ **Row 99**	With C, ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**
☐ **Rows 100 to 118**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**

A box for each row, 100 to 118: tick them off as you go.

☐ 100 ☐ 101 ☐ 102 ☐ 103 ☐ 104 ☐ 105 ☐ 106 ☐ 107 ☐ 108 ☐ 109 ☐ 110 ☐ 111 ☐ 112 ☐ 113 ☐ 114 ☐ 115 ☐ 116 ☐ 117 ☐ 118

☐ **Row 119**	With B, ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**
☐ **Row 120**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**
☐ **Row 121**	With A, ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**
☐ **Rows 122 to 126**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**

A box for each row, 122 to 126: tick them off as you go.

☐ 122 ☐ 123 ☐ 124 ☐ 125 ☐ 126

☐ **Row 127**	With B, ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**
☐ **Row 128**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**
☐ **Row 129**	With C, ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**
☐ **Rows 130 to 136**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(98 sc)**

A box for each row, 130 to 136: tick them off as you go.

☐ 130 ☐ 131 ☐ 132 ☐ 133 ☐ 134 ☐ 135 ☐ 136

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.

Finishing

- Weave in the ends.
- Lay the piece flat, pull it gently to its size, dampen it and let it dry.

In all: 136 rows; 13,328 stitches; 38 ends to weave in.

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