



CROCHET SKILL LEVEL INTERMEDIATE



What you will need:

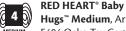
RED HEART[®] Baby Hugs[™] Medium: 1 ball each 4830 Pool A, 4001 Frosting B, and 4410 Dolphin **C**

Susan Bates[®] Crochet Hook: 5.5mm [US I-9]

Susan Bates[®] split lock stitch markers

Yarn needle

GAUGE: 12 dc = 4" (10 cm); $8\frac{1}{2}$ dc rows = 4" (10 cm) when worked in Camel stitch (see Notes). CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.



Hugs[™] Medium, Art E404 Oeko-Tex Certified 100% Acrylic baby yarn available in 4.5 oz (127 g) 247 yds (225 m) balls

SHOP KIT



Toddler's Perfect Poncho

Children who want to look as fashionable as their parents will love wearing this sweet poncho. Parents will love that it is crocheted with varn that has been tested for harmful substances.

Directions are for size 2T; changes for sizes 3T, 4T, and 5T are in parentheses.

Circumference at top: 20" (51 cm) Circumference at bottom: 40 (42, 44, 46)" (101.5 (106.5, 112, 117) cm) Length: 12 (13½, 15, 16½)" (30.5 (34, 38, 42) cm)

NOTES

Poncho is worked from the bottom up in joined rounds with the right side always facing.

All stitches are worked through the back loop and the third loop (the strand below the back loop, also known as Camel stitch). To change color, work last stitch of old color to last yarn over. Yarn over with new color and draw through all loops on hook to complete stitch. Proceed with new color.

SPECIAL STITCHES

dc2tog = [Yarn over, insert hook in next stitch, yarn over and pull up loop, yarn over, draw through 2 loops] twice, yarn over, draw through all loops on hook

COLOR SEQUENCE

4 rounds with C 2 rounds with **B** [1 round with **A** (**C**, **A**, **C**) 2 rounds with **B** 1 round with **C** (**A**, **C**, **A**) 2 rounds with **B**] 3 (3, 4, 4) times 0 (1, 0, 1) round with **A** (**C**, **A**, **C**) 0 (2, 0, 2) rounds with **B** 1 round with **A** 1 round with **B** 1 round (edging) with **C** - 26 (29, 32, 35) rounds total

PONCHO

With A, ch 120 (126, 132, 138), join with a slip st to the first ch to work in the round. Change colors as you work following the Color Sequence above.

Round 1: Ch 2 (does not count as a st), dc in each ch around, join with slip st in beg dc. Next 5 (8, 11, 14) rounds: Ch 2, dc in each dc around, join with slip st in beg dc.

Next round (dec round): Ch 2, dc in each of first 28 (30, 31, 33) dc), [dc2tog over next 2 dc] twice and mark the 2 dc2tog just made, dc in each of next 56 (58, 62, 64) dc, [dc2tog over next 2 dc] twice and mark the 2 dc2tog just made, dc in each dc to end of round -116 (122, 128, 134) sts.

** Work 2 rounds evenly.

Next round (dec round): * Ch 2, dc in each dc to 3 sts before marked st, [dc2tog over next 2 dc] 4 times and mark the center 2 dc2tog of the 4 just made; repeat from * once more, dc in each dc to end of round – 108 (114, 120, 126) sts.

Repeat from ** twice more - 92 (98, 104, 110) sts.

Remove all markers.

Work 3 (3, 3, 1) rounds evenly.

** Next round (dec round): Place 8 (10, 11, 10) markers evenly spaced around previous round, ch 2, * dc in each dc to marked st, dc2tog over next 2 sts, remove marker; repeat from * 7 (9, 10, 9) more times, dc in each dc to end of round, join with slip st in beg dc - 84 (88, 93, 100) sts.

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Work 1 round evenly. Repeat from ** 2 (2, 2, 3) more times – 68 (68, 71, 70) sts.

Next round (dec round): Place 8 (8, 11, 10) markers evenly spaced around previous round, ch 2, * dc in each dc to marked st, dc2tog over next 2 sts, remove marker; repeat from * 7 (7, 10, 9) more times, dc in each dc to end of round, join with slip st in beg dc – 60 sts.

Last round (edging): Ch 1, sc in each st around, join with a slip st in first sc. Fasten off.

FLOWER EMBELLISHMENTS

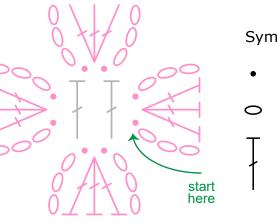
Choose points in the poncho where you want to add a flower. Join yarn with a slip st around the post of the dc where the rightmost petal will be, (ch 3, 3 dc, ch 3, slip st) around that same post, turn work 90 degrees, (slip st, ch 3, 3 dc, ch 3, slip st) in space between dc sts on row above, turn work 90 degrees, (slip st, ch 3, 3 dc, ch 3, slip st) around post of next dc, turn work 90 degrees (slip st, ch 3, 3 dc, ch 3, slip st) in space between dc sts on row below. Fasten off.

FINISHING

Weave in all loose ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

A, B, C = Color A, Color B, Color C etc; ch = chain; dc = double crochet; dec = decrease; sc = single crochet; st(s) = stitch(es); [] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; * or ** = repeat whatever follows the * or ** as indicated.



Symbol Key:

- Slip st
- ⊃ Ch

Dc

