

Easy No-Seams Double Crochet Baby Sweater

Worsted yarn: 2 3½ oz skeins for 1 sweater.
3 skeins will make 2 sweaters.

Crochet hook: E

Guage: 8 dc = 2" 4 rows = 2"



Yoke: Starting at neck edge, ch 61. Dc in 4th ch from hook and in each of next 10 ch. (left front), in next ch work 1 dc, ch 1 and 1 dc in same stitch. (Single increase made), dc in each of next 8 ch (left sleeve) work single increase in next ch, dc in each of next 16 ch (back), work single inc in next ch, dc in each of next 8 ch (right sleeve), work single inc in next ch, dc in each of next 11 ch for right front. (63 dc, counting turning ch as 1 dc) Ch 3, turn.

2nd row:

Skip first dc, *dc in each dc to next ch-1 sp. In ch-1 sp work dc, ch-1 and dc (single inc made), Repeat from * 3 times more, dc in each dc across, dc in turning ch; ch 3, turn. Repeat 2nd row 6 times more. This will give you 8 rows of dc.

Bodice: 1st row: Skip first dc, dc in each of next 19 dc, dc in ch 1 space (left front,) skip next 24 dc (sleeve), dc in ch 1 space and in each of the next 33 dc (back) dc in ch 1 space, skip next 24 dc (sleeve), dc in ch 1 space and in each of the next 19 dc.

2nd row: Skip first dc, dc in each dc across, dc in turning ch; ch 3, turn. Repeat this row 11 or 12 times until sweater length is about 10 to 11 inches. Break off.

Sleeves: 1st row: Start at underarm, form loop on hook, chain 3, dc in each dc around arm edge (24 dc) and dc three more dc in bodice stitches which are at base of armhole to give a total of 27 dc for the sleeve. Join to 3rd stitch of ch 3 at beginning of row. TURN. (Make sure pattern row sequence continues same as yoke)

2nd row: Chain 3, dc in each of 27 dc, join to 3rd stitch of ch 3 at beginning of row. TURN. Repeat about 9 times turning at the end of each row..

A shell stitch may be done around the front and bottom of the sweater and sleeve edge. This is more attractive if done in contrasting color. To make shell: ch 2, skip 1 st, 2 dc in next st, ch 2, skip 1 st, sl st. Repeat. (7 shells) Suggestion: Can work a sc border instead of a shell border

Make 2 chain ties approx 9" long. Attach at front neck edge. Can finish tie with tassels or pom-poms.

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