

Crocheted Baby Sweater by Bernice

Boys and Girls versions

(Photos are at end of pattern)

Size F or G hook

Sport weight (#3) yarn. This may be only 1 color or you may do the yoke a different color or putting a couple of stripes in for a boy is cute.

NOTES: Double crochet rows: First DC is made by chaining 3.

Single crochet rows: First ch 1 is not counted as a stitch. You should ch 1, then sc in the first stitch (count this sc as the first stitch). This will make sense as you do the first row.

Turn each row. This is not written in the pattern.

Increases are either 3 dc in a stitch or 3 sc in a stitch.

GIRLS:

YOKE:

Chain 49.

1. Dc all - dc in 4th chain from hook (counts as 2 dc), 6 dc in next stitches, 3 dc in next st (inc), 6 dc in next stitches, 3 dc in next st (inc), 16 dc in next stitches, 3 dc in next st (inc), 6 dc in next stitches, 3 dc in next st (inc), 8 dc in last 8 stitches.
2. Sc all - ch 1(not counted as a stitch), 9 sc, inc, 8 sc, inc, 18 sc, inc, 8 sc, inc, 9 sc.
3. Dc all - 10, inc, 10, inc, 20, inc, 10, inc, 10
4. Sc all - ch1 11, inc, 12, inc, 22, inc, 12, inc, 11
5. Dc all - 12, inc, 14, inc, 24, inc, 14, inc, 12
6. Sc all - ch 1, 13, inc, 16, inc, 26, inc, 16, inc, 13
7. DC all - 14, inc, 18, inc, 28, inc, 18, inc, 14
8. Sc all - ch1, 15, inc, 20, inc, 30, inc, 20, inc, 15
9. Dc all - 16, inc, 22, inc, 32, inc, 22, inc, 16
10. Sc all - ch 1, 17, inc, 24, inc, 34, inc, 24, inc, 17
11. ARMHOLE Row - sc all - sc 1, sc 19, ch 5 for underarm, skip 26 st for sleeve, sc 38, ch 5 for underarm, skip 26 for sleeve, sc 19 - stitches.

End off yarn if you want a different color for the body, otherwise, continue on with the body.

BODY:

1. Ch 3, skip 1 st, 5 dc in next st, skip 2 st, *dc in next st, skip 1 st, 5 dc in next st, skip 2 st* repeat across to end with dc in last st. If this doesn't quite work out, skip 1 st between 2 extra groups. You'll have 17 5dc groups.
- 2-11. ch 3, *5 dc in center of 5 dc, dc on top of dc* around. End off yarn if you want a different color for the edging, otherwise continue onto edging.

EDGING:

Ch 1, sc up the front (about 30-32 st), 3 sc in corner, sc in each st around neck. (To do this around the neck, on first row of edging, decrease 4 st at each sleeve so it lays flat) You'll have 42 st around the neck. Then do 3 sc in corner, sc down the other front side (about 30-32 st).

Row 2 – sc in each sc around doing 3 sc in corner. Do buttonholes on right front for girl (left front for boy). Buttonhole is ch 2, skip 2 sc. I normally put 2 buttons on near the top

Row 3 – sc in each sc around doing 3 sc in corner. Do 2 dc in each 2 ch spaces for buttonhole

Row 4 – sc in each sc around doing 3 sc in corner. End off yarn.

SLEEVES:

1. Join yarn at the middle of the 5 underarm chains. Start with ch 3 and do 4 dc in same st. *Skip 2 st, dc in next st, skip 1 st, 5 dc in next st* around. Join on top of 1st ch 3 with a slip st. You will have 6 5dc groups around the sleeve. Again, you may need to “fudge” a few stitches to get 6 groups.
- 2-9 – Ch 3, *5 dc in center of 5 dc group, dc on top of dc* around. Join on top of ch 3 with a slip st. End off after row 9

BOYS:

YOKE:

Do same as for girl sweater

BODY:

1. Ch 3, dc in each st around. 5 dc in underarms.
- 2-14. – ch 3, dc in each dc around. End off yarn if you want to change color, otherwise, do edging.

EDGING:

Do same as girl sweater except put the buttonholes on the left side.

SLEEVES:

Join yarn in center st of 5 underarm stitches. Dc in each st around, decreasing stitches until you have 27 st left. Join on top of dc with a slip stitch.

TO DECREASE: Yarn over hook as to do a dc, put hook in first st, pull yarn through, put hook in next st, pull yarn through, yarn over and pull off 3 strands, yarn over and pull off last 2 strands. This will decrease your stitches by one.

Rows 2-11: ch 3, dc around, joining at top of ch 3. End off yarn.

Boys sweater may also have ribbing at bottom of sweater and sleeves. This is done by alternating dc front post and dc back post stitches across the row. Do 3 or 4 rows of this.

This pattern was put together from many others and changed to fit better. To change the pattern, just change the body of the sweater to a different pattern (bobbles are nice). You can also use one color for the yoke and one color for the body and sleeves. Or put a few stripes in here and there. Extra rows added to the yoke will add increases and width to the sweater for a larger size. You can also use worsted weight yarn (#4) to make a larger sweater (use a larger hook also).

