

Leaping Crochet Baby Hoodie – UK Version

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Materials:

- US - J, 6.0 mm hook
- 420 - 735 meters worsted weight yarn (Red Heart Soft shown)
- 7 cm buttons (or size desired)

Notes:

- Odd numbered rows/rounds: RS; Even numbered: WS
- Gauge: 12 sts x 9 rows = 4 inches/10 cm in htr
- Sizes: 6 mths (12 mths, 18 mths, 2T)
- Video tutorials that may help you are linked on the live blog post at mooglyblog.com
- Special Stitch: STTR – Standing Treble Crochet
- If you prefer not to use the STDC, substitute a ch 3 and treat it as the first tr of the round.

YOKE ROWS (With Main Color):

Row 1: Ch 43 (47, 49, 53). Htr in the 2nd ch from hook and next 6 (7, 8, 9) ch, then htr 3 in the next ch (make corner), and place maker (pm) in the center of these 3 sts. Htr in the next 6 ch, make corner and pm in the next ch, htr in the next 12 (14, 14, 16) ch, make corner and pm in the next ch, htr in the next 6 ch, and make corner and pm in the next ch. Htr in the last 7 (8, 9, 10) ch. Turn. (50 (54, 56, 60) sts)

Row 2: Ch 1, htr in the first 8 (9, 10, 11) sts, make corner and pm (move up from previous row), htr in

the next 8 sts, make corner and pm. Htr in the next 14 (16, 16, 18) sts, make corner and pm. Htr in the next 8 sts, make corner and pm. Htr in the last 8 (9, 10, 11) sts. Turn. (58 (62, 64, 68) sts)

Row 3: Ch 1, htr in the first 9 (10, 11, 12) sts, make corner and pm, htr in the next 10 sts, make corner and pm. Htr in the next 16 (18, 18, 20) sts, make corner and pm. Htr in the next 10 sts, make corner and pm. Htr in the last 9 (10, 11, 12) sts. Turn. (66 (70, 72, 76) sts)

Row 4: Ch 1, htr in the first 10 (11, 12, 13) sts, make corner and pm, htr in the next 12 sts, make corner and pm. Htr in the next 18 (20, 20, 22) sts, make corner and pm. Htr in the next 12 sts, make corner and pm. Htr in the last 10 (11, 12, 13) sts. Turn. (74 (78, 80, 84) sts)

Row 5: Ch 1, htr in the first 11 (12, 13, 14) sts, make corner and pm, htr in the next 14 sts, make corner and pm. Htr in the next 20 (22, 22, 24) sts, make corner and pm. Htr in the next 14 sts, make corner and pm. Htr in the last 11 (12, 13, 14) sts. Turn. (82 (86, 88, 92) sts)

Row 6: Ch 1, htr in the first 12 (13, 14, 15) sts, make corner and pm, htr in the next 16 sts, make corner and pm. Htr in the next 22 (24, 24, 26) sts, make corner and pm. Htr in the next 16 sts, make corner and pm. Htr in the last 12 (13, 14, 15) sts. Turn. (90 (94, 96, 100) sts)

FOR SIZES:

6 mths and 12 mths, skip to Armpit Row below.

18 mths and 2T, continue with Row 7.

Row 7 (sizes 18 mths (2T) only): Ch 1, htr in the first 15 (16) sts, make corner and pm, htr in the next 18 sts, make corner and pm. Htr in the next 26 (28) sts, make corner and pm. Htr in the next 18 sts, make corner and pm. Htr in the last 15 (16) sts. Turn. (104 (108) sts)

Row 8 (sizes 18 mths (2T) only): Ch 1, htr in the first 16 (17) sts, make corner and pm, htr in the next 20 sts, make corner and pm. Htr in the next 28 (30) sts, make corner and pm. Htr in the next 20 sts, make corner and pm. Htr in the last 16 (17) sts. Turn. (104 (108) sts)

ARMPIT ROW/ROUND: Ch 1, htr in the first 13 (14, 17, 18) sts, htr in the marked st (remove 1st marker), ch 5 (5, 6 6), skip to st with next marker. Htr in marked st (remove 2nd marker). Htr in the next 24 (26, 30, 32) sts, htr in the next marked st (remove 3rd marker), ch 5 (5, 6, 6), skip to st with next marker. Htr in last marked st (remove 4th marker). Htr in the last 13 (14, 17, 18) sts. Break yarn and seamless join to 2nd hdc of the row (this connects the two front flaps for working in the round. (54 (58, 68, 72) htr and 10 (10, 12, 12) ch)

TRUNK/MIDSECTION ROUNDS: (Begin Leaping Stripes and Blocks Pattern)

Round 1: With next color, STTR in one of the middle ch of either armpit of last Row/Round. Tr in the next st, ch 2, skip 2. *Tr in the next 2 sts, ch 2, skip 2. Repeat from * to end. Join with a sl st in the STTR. (64 (68, 80, 84) sts)

Round 2: Ch 4, skip 2, tr 2 in the skipped sts of Round 4, enclosing the ch 2 from Round 1. *Ch 2, skip 2, tr 2 in the skipped sts of Armpit Row (enclosing the ch 2). Repeat from * to end, join with a sl st in the ch 4 sp. Break yarn and finish off. (64 (68, 80, 84) sts including chs)

Round 3: With Next Color, STTR in any skipped st of Round 1, enclosing the ch 2 sp from Round 2 in the st. Tr in the next st, ch 2, skip 2. *Tr in the next 2 sts, ch 2, skip 2. Repeat from * to end. Join with a sl st in the STTR. (64 (68, 80, 84) sts including chs)

Round 4: Ch 4, skip 2, tr 2 in the skipped sts of Round 2, enclosing the ch 2 from Round 3. *Ch 2, skip 2, tr 2 in the skipped sts of Round 2. Repeat from * to end, join with a sl st in the ch 4 sp. Break yarn and finish off. (64 (68, 80, 84) sts including chs)

Rounds 5 - 14 (16, 18, 20): Repeat Rounds 3-4, switching colors every 2 rows or as desired and working tr sts into the skipped sts from 2 rows previous.

Round 15 (17, 19, 21): With Main Color, STTR in any skipped st of 2 Rounds previous, enclosing the ch 2 sp in the st. Tr in the next st, sc in the next 2 sts. *Tr in the next 2 sts, dc in the next 2 sts. Repeat from * to end. Join with a sl st in the STTR. (64 (68, 80, 84) sts) Continue with Hip Rounds.

HIP ROUNDS (Continue with Main Color):

Round 1 - 2: Ch 1, htr in each st around. Join with a sl st in the 1st st. (64 (68, 80, 84) sts)

Round 3: Ch 2, fptr in 1st st and bptr in next st. *Fptr in next st, bptr in next st. Repeat from * around. Break yarn and seamless join. (64 (68, 80, 84) sts)

SLEEVES: (If omitting sleeves, work a row of dc around each arm opening)

Round 1: From RS of sweater, join with main color with a sl st - join to the center st of the armpit for the left arm (as worn), join to the center st of the top of the shoulder for the right arm (as worn). Ch 1, htr 26 (26, 32, 32) sts evenly around arm opening. Join to 1st st with a sl st. (26 (26, 32, 32) sts)

Round 2 - 16 (17, 18, 19): Ch1, htr in each st around. Join to 1st st with a sl st. (26 (26, 32, 32) sts)

Round 17 (18, 19, 20): Ch 2, fptr in 1st st and bptr in next st. *Fptr in next st, bptr in next st. Repeat from * around. Break yarn and seamless join. (26 (26, 32, 32) sts)

HOOD:

Row 1: From WS of sweater, join to the 1st st of the neckline (on the unused side of the starting ch) with a sl st. Ch 1 and htr in each st of starting ch/neckline. Turn. (42 (46, 48, 52)

Row 2: Ch 1, htr in the 1st 20 (22, 23, 25) sts, [2 htr in the next st] twice, htr in the last 20 (22, 23, 25) sts. Turn. (44 (48, 50, 54) sts)

Row 3: Ch 1, htr in each st across. Turn. (44 (48, 50, 54) sts)

Row 4: Ch 1, htr in the 1st 21 (23, 24, 26) sts, [2 htr in the next st] twice, htr in the last 21 (23, 24, 26) sts. Turn. (46 (50, 52, 56) sts)

Row 5: Ch 1, htr in each st across. Turn. (46 (50, 52, 56) sts)

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Row 6: Ch 1, htr in the 1st 22 (24, 25, 27) sts, [2 htr in the next st] twice, htr in the last 22 (24, 25, 27) sts. Turn. (48 (52, 54, 58) sts)

Row 7: Ch 1, htr in each st across. Turn. (48 (52, 54, 58) sts)

Row 8: Ch 1, htr in the 1st 23 (25, 26, 28) sts, [2 htr in the next st] twice, htr in the last 23 (25, 26, 28) sts. Turn. (50 (54, 56, 60) sts)

Row 9 - 17 (18, 18, 19): Ch 1, htr in each st across. Turn. (50 (54, 56, 60) sts)

Row 18 (19, 19, 20): Ch 1, htr in each st across. Break yarn, leaving an 45 cm tail. Fold top of hood in half, WS together, and seam together with mattress stitch using the tail. Weave in ends.

EDGING AND BUTTONS:

Round 1: Join with main color with a sl st at the right side (as worn) of the base of the V of the neck opening. Ch 1 and dc evenly up the V opening, continue to dc along the edge of the hood, and down the other side of the V of the neck opening. Break yarn and seamless join to first dc of the edging. Do not turn.

Round 2: Join with a contrasting color with a sl st to the first st of the previous Round. Ch 1 and dc evenly along Round 1, working 2 dc 6 button loops opposite where you wish to sew on the buttons (for other size buttons ch as appropriate, and be sure to test your loop on your chosen button before continuing the edging). Continue with dc to end of round. Break yarn and seamless join to first dc of the round.

Weave in all your ends and you're done! I hope you all enjoy this pattern for the Leaping Crochet Baby Hoodie – I can't wait to see all the colors and variations and creativity I know you'll all bring to it!

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