



Warm & Happy Crochet Vest

Here's a great baby gift idea that can be crocheted quickly and easily. The lofty yarn is super bulky weight and light as a feather so baby is comfortable during busy days.

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Directions are for size 6 months. Changes for sizes 12 months, 18 months, and 24 months are in parentheses.

To Fit Bust/Chest: 17 (18, 19, 20)".

Finished Bust/Chest: 18 (20, 21, 22)".

RED HEART® "Baby Clouds™": 1 (1, 1, 2) Skeins 9549 Orchid.

Crochet Hook: 9mm [US M-13].
Split-ring stitch marker, yarn needle.

GAUGE: 17 sts = 8"; 8 rows = 4" in pattern. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.**

SPECIAL ABBREVIATION:

Sc2tog = [draw up a loop in next st] twice, yo and draw through all 3 loops on hook

NOTE: Ch-1 spaces count as sts throughout.

VEST

Back

Ch 20 (22, 24, 25) sts.

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across; turn – 19 (21, 23, 24) sts.

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in 1st st, * ch 1, skip next st, sc in next st; repeat from * across; turn – 19 (21, 23, 24) sts.

Row 3: Ch 1, sc in 1st 2 sts, * ch 1, skip next st, sc in next ch-1 space; repeat from * across to last st, sc in last st; turn.

Rows 4-11 (12, 13, 14): Repeat Rows 2 and 3.

Shape Armholes

Row 12 (13, 14, 15): Slip st in 1st 2 sts, ch 1, work in established pattern across to last 2 sts; leave last 2 sts unworked; turn – 15 (17, 19, 20) sts.

Rows 13-16 (14-17, 15-18, 16-19): Ch 1, work in established pattern across; turn.

Rows 17-20 (18-22, 19-23, 20-25): Ch 1, sc in each st across; turn.

Shape 1st Shoulder

Row 21 (23, 24, 26): Ch 1, sc in 1st 4 (4, 5, 5) sts; turn, leaving remaining sts unworked – 4 (4, 5, 5) sts.

Row 22 (24, 25, 27): Ch 1, sc in each st across.
Fasten off.

Shape 2nd Shoulder

Row 21 (23, 24, 26): Working on same row as 1st Shoulder, skip next 7 (9, 9, 10) sts, join yarn in next st, ch 1, sc in same st as join, sc in next 3 (3, 4, 4) sts; turn – 4 (4, 5, 5) sts.

Row 22 (24, 25, 27): Ch 1, sc in each st across.
Fasten off.



Front

Work same as for Back through Row 17 (18, 19, 20).

Shape 1st Shoulder/Neck

Row 18 (19, 20, 21): Ch 1, sc in 1st 6 (7, 7, 8) sts; turn, leaving remaining sts unworked – 6 (7, 7, 8) sts.

Row 19 (20, 21, 22): Ch 1, sc2tog in first 2 sts, sc across; turn – 5 (6, 6, 7) sts.

Row 20 (21, 22, 23): Ch 1, sc across to last 2 sts, sc2tog; turn – 4 (5, 5, 6) sts.

12 Month and 24 Month Size Only

Row 22 (24): Ch 1, sc2tog, sc across; turn – 4 (5) sts.

All Sizes

Rows 21-22 (23-24, 23-25, 25-27): Ch 1, sc in each st across; turn. Fasten off on last row.

Shape 2nd Shoulder/Neck

Row 18 (19, 20, 21): Working on same row as 1st Shoulder/Neck, skip next 3 (3, 5, 4) sts, join yarn in next st, ch 1, sc in same st as join, sc in next 5, (6, 6, 7) sts; turn – 6 (7, 7, 8) sts.

Row 19 (20, 21, 22): Ch 1, sc across to last 2 sts, sc2tog; turn – 5 (6, 6, 7) sts.

Row 20 (21, 22, 23): Ch 1, sc2tog, sc across; turn – 4 (5, 5, 6) sts.

12 Month and 24 Month Size Only

Row 22 (24): Ch 1, sc across to last 2 sts, sc2tog; turn – 4 (5) sts.

All Sizes

Rows 21-22 (23-24, 23-25, 25-27): Ch 1, sc in each st across; turn. Fasten off on last row.

FINISHING

Slip st shoulders together. Slip st side seams. Weave in all ends.

Neck Edging

Join yarn in any st in Neck edge. Ch 1, sc evenly around neck, working sc2tog at each corner so Edging lays flat.

Armhole Edging

Join yarn in any st in Armhole edge. Work same as Neck Edging. Repeat for other Armhole



RED HEART® “Baby Clouds™”, Art. E710 available in solid color 6 oz (170 g), 140 yd (128m) and multi color 4.5 oz (127 g), 105 yd (96 m) skeins.

ABBREVIATIONS: ch = chain; mm = millimeters; sc = single crochet; st(s) = stitch (es); yo = yarn over; [] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; * or ** = repeat whatever follows the * or ** as indicated.

