

Baby Shoes



Difficulty: easy

Size: approx 3 ½ inch length.

Could easily be made larger by using a larger hook and regular WW yarn

Stitches used:

Ch chain

SS slip stitch

HDC half double crochet

DC double crochet

Special stitches:

I have described the technique I used for these stitches for the benefit of those that are not familiar with them. My way is very likely not the accepted way, since I just do whatever seems to work for me. Feel free to do these stitches the way you are used to doing them. It will work out just fine.

DC 2 together (yarn over, insert hook into stitch, yarn over, pull through 2 loops on hook, yarn over, insert hook into next stitch, yarn over, pull through 2 loops on hook, yarn over, pull through last 3 loops on hook)

HDC 2 together (yarn over, insert hook into stitch, yarn over, insert hook into next stitch, yarn over, and pull through all 5 loops on hook.)

Materials:

2 colors of light worsted weight yarn (I used TLC, which is 3 ply. It seems similar to Simply Soft) (the second color is only used for the flower, you could use a button or another embellishment instead)

4 mm (size G) hook

yarn needle

Ch 11.

Sole:

Round 1:

HDC in 3rd ch from hook, and in next 7 ch.

7 HDC's in last ch.

Now begin working down other side of the chain, working into the free loops.

HDC in next 7 ch.

5 HDC in last ch, join to top of first HDC. (27 stitches)

Round 2:

Ch 2, (counts as 1st stitch), HDC in same space, 2 HDC's in next stitch, HDC in next 6 st, DC in next 2 stitches, 2 Dc in each of the next 5 stitches, DC in next 2 stitches, HDC in next 7 st,, 2 HDC in each of the next 3 stitches, join with ss to front loop of the top of the beginning ch 2. (37 stitches)

Begin sides:

Round 1:

Ch 1, Sc in same space, sc in FLO of next 8 stitches, HDC in FLO of next 5 stitches' DC in FLO of next 6 stitches, HDC in FLO of next 5 stitches, sc in last 12 stitches, join to first sc with SS. (37 stitches)

Round 2:

Ch 1, sc in same sp, sc in next 7 stitches, HDc in next 3 stitches, Dc in next st, DC 2 together x 5, DC in next st, HDC in next 3 stitches, sc in last 11 stitches, join with SS to top of first sc.

Round 3:

Ch 1, SC in same space, and in next 10 stitches, HDC in next 3 stitches, DC 2 together x 2, HDC in next 3 stitches, SC in last 11 stitches, join to top of first SC with SS

Round 4, Ch 2, HDC in next 10 stitches, DC 2 together x 4, HDC in next 9 stitches, HDC 2 together, join with SS to top of first Ch 2

Round 5, Ch 1, turn, so that you are working around the shoe from the outside, SS in same space in each stitch around, (23 stitches) Fasten off and weave in ends.

Flower:

Ch 4, join with SS to form a ring. Ch 1 and make 5 sc in ring. Work over the tail of the yarn. Join to first SC with SS.

Pull on starting yarn to tighten ring, Ch 3, join with SS to next sc, (makes a petal), repeat around so that you have 5 CH 3 petals, join last Ch 3 to first sc. Fasten off and weave in one end. Use other end to sew flower to front of shoe, before weaving in that end.

You could use a cute button or a tiny bow to embellish the shoe if you prefer. You can also change the look of the shoe by doing the SS row (last row) in a contrasting color.