Infant Santa Suit & Hat

LW2075

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Instructions are for size Small (up to 3 months); changes for Medium (up to 6 months), Large (up to 9 months) and Extra Large (up to 12 months) are in parentheses.

Finished Chest Measurement: 22 (23, 24, 25)"
Hat Circumference: 14½ (15½, 16½, 17)"

RED HEART® "Soft Yarn": 2 (2, 3, 3) balls 9925 Really Red A; 1 ball each 4614 Black B and 4601 Off White C.

Crochet Hook: 5.5mm [US I-9].
Yarn needle; sewing needle and thread; seven ½" black buttons.

GAUGE: 14 sts = 4"; 15 rows = 4" in sc. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.

Special Abbreviations
inc (increase) = 2 sc in next sc.

dec (decrease) = draw up a loop in next 2 sc, yo and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

SANTA SUIT
Left Leg-Cuff
With B, ch 15 (15, 17, 17).
Row 1 (Right Side): Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across; turn – 14 (14, 16, 16) sc.

Rows 2 and 3: * Ch 1, inc in first sc, sc in each sc to last sc, inc in last sc; turn – 18 (18, 20, 20) sc at end of Row 3.

Sizes Small and Medium Only-Row 4: Repeat Row 2 changing to A in last sc – 20 sc. Cut B.

Sizes Large and Extra Large Only-Row 4: Ch 1, sc in each sc across changing to A in last sc; turn. Cut B.

All Sizes-Next Row: Ch 1, sc in each sc to last sc, inc in last sc; turn – 21 sc.
Repeat last row 15 (17, 19, 21) more times – 36 (38, 40, 42) sc. Fasten off.

Right Leg
Work the same as for the Left Leg except do not fasten off.

Join Legs for Body
Continuing on Right Leg, ch 1, sc in each sc across, ch 3, with right side facing, sc in each sc across Left Leg; turn.

Next Row: Ch 1, sc in each sc and each ch across; turn – 75 (79, 83, 87) sc.
Work even in sc for 11 (12, 13, 14) more rows changing to B in last sc of last row. For Belt with B work 4 rows even in sc changing to A in last sc of last row. With A work 13 (14, 15, 16) more rows even end by working a wrong side row.

Divide for Fronts and Back
Right Front
Ch 1, sc in first 16 (17, 18, 19) sc; turn. Work even in sc on these sts for 15 (17, 19, 21) more rows. Fasten off.
Shape Neck: Skip first 8 (8, 9, 9) sc, join A in next sc; ch 1, sc in same sc and in each sc across; turn.
Next Row: Ch 1, sc in 6 (6, 7, 7) sc, dec. Fasten off.

Back
With right side facing, skip next 4 sc of last long row; join A in next sc; ch 1, sc in same sc and in next 34 (36, 38, 40)
sc; turn – 35 (37, 39, 41) sc. Work even in sc on these sts for 17 (19, 21, 23) more rows. Fasten off.

**Left Front**

With right side facing skip next 4 sc of last long row; join A in next sc; ch 1, sc in same sc and in each sc to end; turn – 16 (17, 18, 19) sc. Work even in sc for 15 (17, 19, 21) more rows.

**Shape Neck:** Ch 1, sc in first 8 (8, 9, 9) sc; turn.

**Next Row:** Ch 1, dec, sc in last 6 (6, 7, 7) sc. Fasten off.

**Assembly**

Sew shoulder seams across 8 (8, 9, 9) sts. Sew inseam of Legs, leaving the 3 sc of crotch free.

**Front Bands**

**Row 1:** With right side facing, join C at corner of Left Front; ch 1, work sc evenly down Left Front, across the 3 sts at crotch and up the Right Front; turn.

**Row 2:** Mark positions for 7 evenly-spaced buttonholes. Ch 1, sc in each sc to marker working dec at each inside corner at crotch, [ch 3, skip 2 sc, sc to next marker] 6 times, ch 3, skip 2 sc, sc in each sc to end; turn.

**Row 3:** Ch 1, [sc in each sc to ch-3 space, 2 sc in ch-3 space] 7 times, sc in each sc to top of Right Front dec as before at crotch to keep work flat; do not turn, but pivot to work collar.

**Collar**

**Row 1:** Ch 1, work sc evenly across neck edge and across bands; turn.

**Rows 2-5:** Ch 1, sc in each sc across; turn. Fasten off.

**Sleeves**

**Round 1:** With right side facing, join A at center of armhole; ch 1, work 35 (39, 43, 47) sc evenly spaced around armhole; join with a slip st to first sc; turn.

**Round 2:** Ch 1, dec at each end of round; join; turn – 33 (37, 41, 45) sc.

Repeat last round 1 (2, 2, 3) times more – 31 (35, 37, 39) sc.

**Next Decrease Round:** Ch 1, dec at each end of round; join; turn

**Next 2 Rounds:** Ch 1, sc in each sc around; join; turn.

**Sizes Small and Medium Only:** Repeat last 3 rounds until 19 sc remain changing to C in last sc of last round. Cut A. Work 2 rounds even. Repeat Decrease Round – 17 sc. Work 1 round even. Fasten off.

**Sizes Large and Extra Large Only:** Repeat last 3 rounds until 21 sc remain. Work 1 round even changing to C in last sc. Cut A. Work 1 round even. Repeat Decrease Round – 19 sc. Work 2 rounds even. Fasten off.

**FINISHING**

Weave in ends. Sew on buttons opposite buttonholes.

**HAT**

**Round 1:** With A, ch 2; 3 sc in 2nd ch from hook; join with a slip st to first sc.

**Round 2:** Ch 1, [inc] 3 times; join – 6 sc.

**Round 3:** Ch 1, [sc in next sc, inc] 3 times; join – 9 sc.

**Round 4:** Ch 1, [sc in next 2 sc, inc] 3 times; join – 12 sc.

**Round 5:** Ch 1, [sc in next 3 sc, inc] 3 times; join – 15 sc.

**Round 6:** Ch 1, [sc in next 4 sc, inc] 3 times; join – 18 sc.

**Rounds 7-17 (7-18, 7-19, 7-20):** Continue in this manner, increasing 3 sc every round and working one more sc between increases until there are 51 (54, 57, 60) sc.

**Rounds 18-26 (19-30, 20-34, 21-38):** Ch 1, sc in each sc around; join. Change to C in last sc of last round. Cut A. With C, work 5 rounds even in sc. Fasten off.

**Ball Adornment**

**Round 1:** With C, ch 2; 3 sc in 2nd ch from hook; join with a slip st to first sc.

**Round 2:** Ch 1, [inc] 3 times; join – 6 sc.

**Round 3:** Ch 1, [inc] 6 times; join – 12 sc.

**Round 4:** Ch 1, sc in each sc around; join.

**Round 5:** Ch 1, [dec] 6 times; join – 6 sc. Stuff ball with extra C yarn to make it puffy.

**Round 6:** Ch 1, [dec] 3 times; join – 3 sc. Fasten off.

Attach Ball Adornment to tip of hat. Weave in ends.
RED HEART® “Soft Yarn”, Art. E728
available in solid color 5 oz (140 g),
256 yd (234 m) and print 4 oz (113 g),
204 yd (187 m) balls.

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

Diagram showing the garment, before folding over the legs
and stitching the inseams and shoulders.

Join here for Buttonband for
right-handers; the opposite
side for left-handers.