

# adorable booties

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## what you'll need

### YARN

#### Blue booties

RED HEART *Soft Yarn*, 5oz/140g skeins, each approx 256yd/234m (acrylic)

■ 1 skein #2541 Blue Sky (A)

#### Pink booties

MODA DEA, *Dream*, 1½oz/50g balls, each approx 93yd/85m (nylon/acrylic)

■ 1 ball in #3701 Waterlily (B)

### CROCHET HOOK

■ Size K/10½ (6.5mm) crochet hook or any size to obtain correct gauge

### NOTIONS

- 1yd/1m of ¼"/16mm-wide matching ribbon for each pair of booties
- Matching sewing thread
- Sewing needle
- Yarn needle

### THE YARN



*Soft Yarn* in Blue Sky.



*Dream* in Waterlily.

Keep tiny toes warm with these cutie booties. They're so quick and easy, you'll want to make two pairs!



**SKILL LEVEL:** easy

One size fits infants 3–6 months.

### finished measurements

Length of sole: 3 ½"/9cm

Width of foot: 2"/5cm

### gauge

11 sts and 12 rows to 4"/10cm over sc using 2 strands of A held together and size K/10½ (6.5mm) crochet hook.

11 sts and 12 rows to 4"/10cm over hdc using B and size K/10½ (6.5mm) crochet hook.

*Remember to check gauge for best results!*

### how to make a gauge swatch

With 2 strands of A held together (or 1 strand of B), ch 12 (13).

**Row 1** Sc (hdc) in 2nd (3rd) ch from hook and in each ch across—11 sts. Ch 1 (2), turn.

**Row 2** Sc (hdc) in each st across. Ch 1 (2), turn. Repeat row 2 10 times more. Swatch should measure 4" x 4"/10 x 10cm. If necessary, adjust hook size to get the correct gauge.

### notes

**1** Blue booties are worked in sc and pink booties are worked in hdc. Directions for pink booties are in parentheses.

**2** Use one strand of A throughout.

**3** Use 2 strands of B held together throughout.

**4** To join yarn with a sc, make a slipknot and place on hook. Insert hook into st, yo and draw up a loop,

## Abbreviations used in this pattern

- ch chain(s)
- hdc half double crochet
- sc single crochet
- sl st slip stitch
- st(s) stitch(es)
- yo yarn over

### special abbreviations

**sc2tog** (sc 2 sts together) [Insert hook in next st, yo and draw up a loop] twice, yo and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

**hdc2tog** (hdc 2 sts together) [Yo, insert hook in next st, yo and draw up a loop] twice, yo and draw through all 5 loops on hook.

yo and draw through 2 loops on hook.

**5** To join yarn with a hdc, make a slipknot and place on hook. Yo, insert hook into st, yo and draw up a loop, yo and draw through 3 loops on hook.

## BOOTIES

### sole

With 2 strands of A (1 strand of B), ch 6 (7).

**Round 1** (right side) Work 2 sc (hdc) in 2nd (3rd) ch from hook, sc (hdc) in next 3 ch, work 3 sc (hdc) in last ch, turn to bottom loops of beginning ch, work 2 sc (hdc) in first loop, sc (hdc) in next 3 loops, work 2 sc (hdc) in last loop, join round with a sl st in first st—15 sts. Ch 1 (2), turn.

**Round 2** Work 2 sc (hdc) in first st, sc (hdc) in next 3

You'll have enough leftover yarn to crochet additional sets of booties. Why not whip up a bunch and donate them to a children's charity? See page 9 for one good cause.

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sts, [work 2 sc (hdc) in next st, sc (hdc) in next st] 4 times, sc (hdc) in next 2 sts, work 2 sc (hdc) in last st, join round with a sl st in first st—21 sts. Ch 1 (2), turn.

**Round 3** Sc (hdc) in first st, work 2 sc (hdc) in next st, sc (hdc) in next 5 sts, work 2 sc (hdc) in next st, sc (hdc) in next st, [work 2 sc (hdc) in next st] 3 times, sc (hdc) in next st, work 2 sc (hdc) in next st, sc (hdc) in next 5 sts, work 2 sc (hdc) in next st, sc (hdc) in last st, join round with a sl st in first st—28 sts. Ch 1 (2), turn.

### sides

**Round 4** (wrong side) Working in front loops only, sc (hdc) in 28 sts around, join round with a sl st in front loop of first st. Ch 1 (2), turn.

**Rounds 5 and 6** Sc (hdc) in 28 sts around, join round with a sl st in first st. Ch 1 (2), turn. When round 6 is completed, do not ch, fasten off.

### cuff

**Row 1** With right side facing, join yarn with a sc (hdc) in the 7th st to the right of center back joining, sc (hdc) in next 13 sts—14 sts. Ch 1 (2), turn.

**Row 2** Sc (hdc) in first st, work 2 sc (hdc) in next st, sc (hdc) in next 10 sts, work 2 sc (hdc) in next st, sc (hdc) in last st—16 sts. Ch 1 (2), turn.

**Rows 3–6** Sc (hdc) in each st across. Ch 1 (2), turn.

When row 6 is completed, do not ch, fasten off.

### instep

**Row 1** With right side facing, join yarn with a sc (hdc) in back loop of first st after left side edge of cuff, working in back loops only, sc (hdc) in next 5 sts, sc2tog (hdc2tog), sc (hdc) in last 6 sts—13 sts. Ch 1, turn.

**Row 2** Sc (hdc) in first 4 sts, sc2tog (hdc2tog), sc (hdc) in next st, sc2tog (hdc2tog), sc (hdc) in last 4 sts—11 sts. Fasten off leaving an 8"/20.5cm tail. Thread tail in yarn needle. Fold instep in half, then sew edges of last row together. Fasten off securely.

### tongue

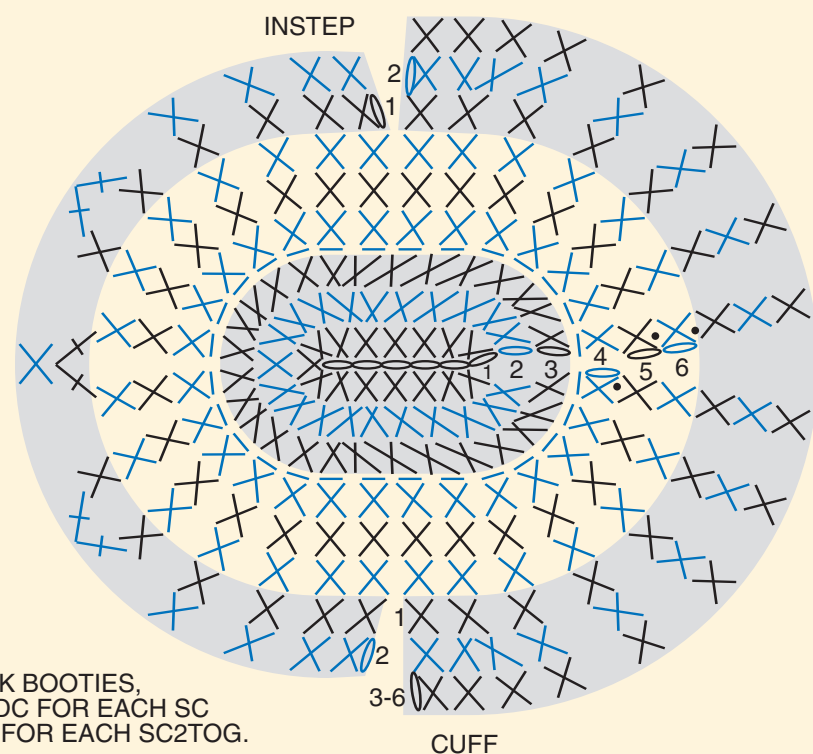
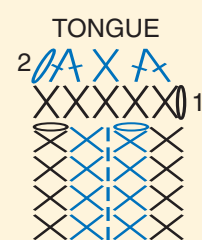
**Row 1** With right side facing, join yarn with a sc (hdc) in top right edge of instep, work 4 more sc (hdc) evenly spaced to top left edge—5 sts. Ch 1 (2), turn.

**Row 2** Sc2tog (hdc2tog), sc (hdc) in next st, sc2tog (hdc2tog). Fasten off.

### finishing

Weave in all ends. Cut ribbon in half. For each bootie, sew center of ribbon to center back of bootie to hold in place. Fold cuff over ribbon. Tie ribbon into a bow. Trim ribbon ends to desired length, cutting each at an angle. n

## stitch diagrams



**NOTE:** FOR PINK BOOTIES, SUBSTITUTE HDC FOR EACH SC AND HDC2TOG FOR EACH SC2TOG.

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