Raspberry Romper

Raspberry Romper is worked top down. You start with the yoke, the collar is worked later. At this point it is very important to make sure you are working foundation chain loosely to make it elastic so that the child's head passes through easily. Normally, chains are not elastic, for this reason you need to work them loosely. At first they might look too loose and not pretty, but it will be all fixed when the collar is made.

This romper has long sleeves and it's very suitable for colder days.

Size and measurements of the finished garment

Size	Chest	Length	Sleeve Length to underarm
0-3m	40cm/15 ¾ in	35cm/13 ¼ in	14cm/5 ½ in
6-9m	45cm/17 ¾ in	40cm/15 ¾ in	16cm/6 ¼ in
12-18m	51cm/20 in	43cm/17 in	18cm/7 in
18-24m	53cm/21 in	45cm/17 ¾ in	20cm/8 in

Gauge

19sts and 10rows in dc to measure 10x10cm or 4x4in using 3.5mm hook, or size required to obtain the gauge

Stitches and abbreviations

st(s) – stitch(es)
ch – chain stitch
sc – single crochet
dc – double crochet

sp - space
sl st – slip stitch
WS – wrong side
RS – right side

Materials

approx. 400 (450, 500, 575) m or 435 (489, 544, 625) yards of any DK weight or light worsted weight yarn

Suggested yarns:

Lana Gatto Super Soft, 100% Merino Wool, 50g (1.8oz), 125m (136yds), shade 14393

- crochet hook 3.5mm or size needed to obtain gauge
- 2 buttons (1,8 cm)
- tapestry needle

Special stitches

Front post double crochet (FPdc)

Yo, insert hook from front to back around next stitch, yo, pull through *(photo 1),* three loops on hook *(photo 2);* finish front post double crochet (FPdc) as normal dc *(photo 3)*

photo 1   photo 2   photo 3

Back post double crochet (BPdc)

Yo, insert hook from back to front around next stitch, yo, pull through *(photo 1),* three loops on hook *(photo 2);* finish back post double crochet (BPdc) as normal *dc (photo 3)*

photo 1   photo 2   photo 3

Bobble (bo)

yo, insert hook in specified st and pull up a loop, yarn over and pull through 2 loops; two loops on hook *(photo1),* repeat from * three more times working in same stitch, *(photo 2)* yarn over and pull through all five loops *(photo 3)*

photo 1   photo 2   photo 3

Shell

(dc, ch1, dc, ch1, dc) in specified stitch

START

Pattern is written for 0-3m, changes for sizes 6-9m, 12-18m, 18-24m are in (…)

Ch1 at the beginning of each round doesn't count as a stitch

Yoke

Yoke is worked in rounds but on both WS and RS, turn after each rnd

Foundation: work loosely, it has to pass over baby's head, ch 64 (64, 68, 72), join with sl st in first ch

Rnd 1 (RS): ch1, pull it to the height of dc (here and throughout where next st is dc), dc in first ch, dc in each next ch, join with sl st in first dc, turn; 64 (64, 68, 72) dc

Rnd 2 (WS): ch1, sc in first st, sc in next st, *bo in next st, sc in each of next 3sts*, repeat from * 14 (14, 15, 16) more times, bo in next st, sc in next st, join with sl st in first sc, turn; 16 (16, 17, 18) bo made; *photo 1*

Rnd 3 (RS): ch1, dc in first st, dc in next st, *3dc in top of next bo, dc in each of next 3sts*, repeat from * 14 (14, 15, 16) more times, 3dc in top of next bo, dc in next st, join with sl st in first dc, turn; 96 (96, 102, 108) sts; *photo 2*

Rnd 4 (WS): ch1, sc in first st and in each next st, join with sl st in first sc, turn; 96 (96, 102, 108) sts

Rnd 5 (RS): ch1, dc in first st, dc in each next st, (for size 12-18m evenly increase by 2sts) join with sl st in first dc, turn; 96 (96, 104, 108) sts

Rnd 6 (WS): ch1, sc in first st, sc in next st, *bo in next st, sc in each of next 3sts*, repeat from * 22 (22, 24, 25) more times, bo in next st, sc in next st, join with sl st in first sc, turn; 24 (24, 26, 27) bo made

Rnd 7 for size 0-3m(RS): ch1, dc in first st, dc in next st, *2dc in next st, dc in each of next 7sts*, repeat from * 10 more times, 2dc in top of next bo, dc in each of next 5 sts, join with sl st in first dc, turn; 108 sts

Rnd 7 for other sizes (RS): ch1, dc in first st, dc in next st, *2dc in top of next bo, dc in each of next 3sts*, repeat from * (22, 24, 25) more times, 2dc in top of next bo, dc in next st, join with sl st in first dc, turn; (120, 130, 135) sts

Rnd 8 (WS): ch1, sc in first st and in each next st, join with sl st in first sc, turn; 108 (120, 130, 135) sts

Rnd 9 for size 0-3m (RS): ch1, sc in first st, sc in each next st, join with sl st in first sc, turn; 108 sts

Rnd 9 for other sizes (RS): ch1, dc in first st, dc in each next st, (for size 12-18m evenly increase by 6sts, for size 18-24m evenly increase by 9sts) join with sl st in first dc, turn; (120, 136, 144) sts

Rnd 10 (WS): ch1, sc in first st, sc in each of next 2sts, *bo in next st, sc in each of next 3sts*, repeat from * 25 (28, 32, 34) more times, bo in next st, join with sl st in first sc, turn; 27 (30, 34, 36) bo made

Rnd 11 (RS): ch1, dc in first st, dc in each next st, join with sl st in first dc; 108 (120, 136, 144) dc

For sizes 0-3m and 6-9m work Last Rnd

For size 12-18m repeat Rnd 11 once, for size 18-24m repeat Rnd 11 twice and work Last Rnd

Last Rnd (RS): ch1, BPdc around first dc, BPdc around each next dc, join with sl st in first BPdc; 108 (120, 136, 144) BPdc; *photo 3,* fasten off

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Divide for sleeves and body

Worked on RS and WS, turn after each rnd except after Rnd 1

Rnd 1 (RS): skip 12 (13, 14, 15) sts from the joining line *(this is necessary to leave the joining line on the shoulder)* and join yarn into the next st, ch1, dc in st at the base of ch1, dc in next 29 (33, 39, 41) sts, ch6 (6, 6, 6), skip next 24 (26, 28, 30) sts for an armhole, dc in each of next 30 (34, 40, 42) sts, ch6 (6, 6, 6), skip next 24 (26, 28, 30) sts for an armhole, including the ones you skipped at the beginning of rnd and join with sl st in first dc; 72 (80, 92, 96) sts; *photo 4*

Rnd 2 (RS): ch1, dc in first st, *skip next st, shell in next st, skip next st, dc in next st*, repeat from * to end, but in last repeat instead of last dc join with sl st in first dc, turn; 18 (20, 23, 24) shells made; *photo 5*

Rnd 3 (WS): ch1, (dc, ch1, dc) in first dc, *skip next dc, BPdc around next dc, skip next dc, shell in next dc*, repeat from * to end, but instead of last shell work dc, in same st as first 2dc, ch1 and join with sl st in first dc, turn; 18 (20, 23, 24) shells made *photo 6*

Rnd 4 (RS): ch1, FPdc around first dc, *skip next dc, shell in next dc, skip next dc, FPdc around next dc*, repeat from * to end, but instead of last FPdc join with sl st in first FPdc, turn; 18 (20, 23, 24) shells made *photo 7*

Repeat rnds 3 and 4 – four (five, seven, eight) more times or until desired body length and continue with Back Decreasing

Back Decreasing

Row 1 (WS): ch1, skip first BPdc, *skip next dc, BPdc around next dc, skip next dc, shell in next dc*, repeat from * 9 (10, 11, 12) more times, skip next dc, BPdc around next dc, turn; 10 (11, 12, 13) shells made *photo 8*

Row 2 (RS): ch1, skip first FPdc, *skip next dc, FPdc around next dc, skip next dc, shell in next dc*, repeat from * 8 (9, 10, 11) more times, skip next dc, FPdc around next dc, turn; 9 (10, 11, 12) shells made

Row 3 (WS): ch1, skip first BPdc, *skip next dc, BPdc around next dc, skip next dc, shell in next dc*, repeat from * 7 (8, 9, 10) more times, skip next dc, BPdc around next dc, turn; 8 (9, 10, 11) shells made

Row 4 (RS): ch1, skip first FPdc, *skip next dc, FPdc around next dc, skip next dc, shell in next dc*, repeat from * 6 (7, 8, 9) more times, skip next dc, FPdc around next dc, turn; 7 (8, 9, 10) shells made

Row 5 (WS): ch1, skip first BPdc, *skip next dc, BPdc around next dc, skip next dc, shell in next dc*, repeat from * 5 (6, 7, 8) more times, skip next dc, BPdc around next dc, turn; 6 (7, 8, 9) shells made

Row 6 (RS): ch1, skip first FPdc, *skip next dc, FPdc around next dc, skip next dc, shell in next dc*, repeat from * 4 (5, 6, 7) more times, skip next dc, FPdc around next dc, turn; 5 (6, 7, 8) shells made

Row 7 (WS): ch1, skip first BPdc, *skip next dc, BPdc around next dc, skip next dc, shell in next dc*, repeat from * 3 (4, 5, 6) more times, skip next dc, BPdc around next dc, turn; 4 (5, 6, 7) shells made

Row 8 (RS): ch1, skip first FPdc, *skip next dc, FPdc around next dc, skip next dc, shell in next dc*, repeat from * 2 (3, 4, 5) more times, skip next dc, FPdc around next dc, turn; 3 (4, 5, 6) shells made

Row 9 (WS): ch1, skip first BPdc, *skip next dc, BPdc around next dc, skip next dc, shell in next dc*, repeat from * 1 (2, 3, 4) more times, skip next dc, BPdc around next dc, turn; 2 (3, 4, 5) shells made

For size 0-3m continue with Crotch

Row 10 (RS): ch1, skip first FPdc, *skip next dc, FPdc around next dc, skip next dc, shell in next dc*, repeat from * (1, 2, 3) more times, skip next dc, FPdc around next dc, turn; (2, 3, 4) shells made

For size 6-9m continue with Crotch

Row 11 (WS): ch1, skip first BPdc, *skip next dc, BPdc around next dc, skip next dc, shell in next dc*, repeat from * (1, 2) more times, skip next dc, BPdc around next dc, turn; (2, 3) shells made

For size 12-18m continue with Crotch

Row 12 (RS): ch1, skip first FPdc, *skip next dc, FPdc around next dc, skip next dc, shell in next dc*, repeat from * (1) more times, skip next dc, FPdc around next dc, turn; (2) shells made, *continue with Crotch*

Crotch

For sizes 0-3m and 12-18m

Row 1 (RS): ch1, (dc, ch1, dc) in first st, skip next dc, FPdc around next dc, skip next dc, shell in next dc, skip next dc, FPdc around next dc, (dc, ch1, dc) in last st, turn; 1 shell made *photo 9*

Row 2 (WS): ch1, hdc in first st, skip next dc, shell in next dc, skip next dc, BPdc around next dc, skip next dc, shell in next dc, skip next dc, hdc in last st, turn; 2 shells made

Row 3 (RS): ch1, (dc, ch1, dc) in first st, skip next dc, FPdc around next dc, skip next dc, shell in next dc, skip next dc, FPdc around next dc, (dc, ch1, dc) in last st, turn; 1 shell made *photo 10*

For sizes 6-9m and 18-24m

Row 1 (WS): ch1, (dc, ch1, dc) in first st, skip next dc, BPdc around next dc, skip next dc, shell in next dc, skip next dc, BPdc around next dc, (dc, ch1, dc) in last st, turn; 1 shell made *photo 9*

Row 2 (RS): ch1, hdc in first st, skip next dc, shell in next dc, skip next dc, FPdc around next dc, skip next dc, shell in next dc, skip next dc, hdc in last st, turn; 2 shells made

Row 3 (WS): ch1, (dc, ch1, dc) in first st, skip next dc, BPdc around next dc, skip next dc, shell in next dc, skip next dc, BPdc around next dc, (dc, ch1, dc) in last st, turn; 1 shell made *photo 10*

For sizes 0-3m and 12-18m repeat Row 2 once more and continue with Edging, for sizes 6-9m and 18-24m continue with Edging after Row 3

Edging

Rnd 1 (RS): ch1, 3dc in first st, dc in each next dc and FPdc, skip all ch1, 6dc in last st *photo 11*, continue to work dc evenly across the diagonal line of the back decreasing *photo 12*, not too close to each other, not too far, continue to work dc evenly across the front, in each dc and in each FPdc, skip all ch1, work across the other diagonal line (approximately the same amount of sts as for the other side) and 3dc in same st as first 3dc, join with sl st in first dc; *photos 13 and 14,* stitch amount is not important here, but it has to be even number

Rnd 2 (RS): on the crotch mark two sts where you are going to make button holes, ch1, FPdc around first dc, *BPdc around next dc, FPdc around next dc*, repeat from * to marked st, ch1, skip marked st, FPdc around next dc, repeat from * to next marked st, ch1, skip marked st, FPdc around next dc, *photo 15,* repeat from * to last st, BPdc around last dc and join with sl st in first dc

Rnd 3 (RS): ch1, work FPdc around each FPdc, BPdc around each BPdc, work sc in each ch1sp, join with sl st in first dc and fasten off

Sleeves

Join yarn in the middle of the underarm and work, photo 16

Rnd 1 (RS): ch1, dc in first st, *skip next 2sts, shell in next st, skip next 2sts (where you don't have sts, skip sp approximately equivalent to 2sts, you might have to try a couple of times to get it right and to get the right amount of shells)*, dc in next st*, repeat from * to end, but in last repeat instead of last dc join with sl st in first dc, turn; 7 (7, 8, 8) shells made,; *photo 17*

Rnd 2 (WS): ch1, (dc, ch1, dc) in first dc, *skip next dc, BPdc around next dc, skip next dc, shell in next dc*, repeat from * to end, but instead of last shell work dc, in same st as first 2dc, ch1 and join with sl st in first dc, turn; 7 (7, 8, 8) shells made

Rnd 3 (RS): ch1, FPdc around first dc, *skip next dc, shell in next dc, skip next dc, FPdc around next dc*, repeat from * to end, but instead of last FPdc join with sl st in first FPdc, turn; 7 (7, 8, 8) shells made

Repeat Rnds 2 and 3 - five (six, eight, nine) more times or until desired length, fasten off, *photo 18*

Collar

On RS, join yarn into the joining line on the shoulder, into remaining loop of foundation ch and work as follows

Rnd 1: ch1, FPdc around first dc, *BPdc around next dc, FPdc around next dc*, *photo 19,* repeat from * to last st, BPdc around last dc and join with sl st in first FPdc; 64 (64, 68, 72) sts

Rnd 2: ch1, FPdc around first FPdc, *BPdc around next BPdc, FPdc around next FPdc*, repeat from * to last st, BPdc around last BPdc and join with sl st in first FPdc; 64 (64, 68, 72) sts

Repeat Rnd 2 once more or until desired length, *photo 20*

Fasten off and weave in all ends

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