

## Sweetheart Jumper



This baby jumper is a mash-up of two existing crochet patterns, and while I can't take credit for either, I'll walk you through how I combined them, along with some small tweaks I made along the way.

The [Sweet Everly B Plain Jayne Sweater](#) formed the base pattern for my hybrid jumper. I used the 6–12 month size, but as long as you have at least 21 stitches across the chest by row 7 (or row 9 for this size), you're good to go.

The second inspiration came from the beautiful heart motif in the [Daisy Farm Crafts Crochet Gingham Heart Baby Sweater](#). I adapted their heart graph into the Plain Jayne sweater, using a solid-colour overlay. Because the extended single crochet (SC) stitch lengthens the shape, I also reduced a few motif rows to maintain a clean heart silhouette.

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### Yarn Used

This was a stash-busting project, and unfortunately, one yarn had long lost its label. Here's my best guess:

- Main Colour: ~2 balls of *Mondial Cotton Soft Bio* in a purple variegated colour.
- Contrast Colour: Likely *Lion Brand Cotton Bamboo Linen* in white, or a similar weight and feel.

Any contrasting colour from the Cotton Soft Bio range would also work beautifully.

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## Materials Needed (6–12 month size)

- 2 x 50g balls of main colour yarn
- 1 x 50g ball of contrast yarn
- 3.25 mm crochet hook
- 6 x stitch markers
- Heart chart from [Daisy Farm Crafts](#)
- Plain Jayne Sweater pattern from [Sweet Everly B](#)
- Tapestry needle and scissors

### Skill level: Intermediate

You'll need to be comfortable with colour changes, reading a graph chart, counting stitches, and modifying stitch placement.

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## How to Combine the Patterns

### 1. Choose Your Colour Placement

I made the cuffs and hem in the contrasting colour, which means you'll need to start the ribbed neckline in that contrast and then switch to the main colour at Body Round 1.

### 2. Make the Sweater Yoke

Follow the Plain Jayne pattern up to the end of:

- Row 9 for 6–12 months
- Row 7/8 for smaller sizes
- Row 10/11 for larger sizes

This ensures the heart sits just above the armhole for that classic chest-centred look.

### 3. Position the Heart Motif

The motif is 21 stitches wide. Since the front panel has an even stitch count, the heart won't sit perfectly centred—but don't worry, it's not noticeable when worn.

To calculate placement:

- Subtract 21 from your total front panel stitch count (e.g.,  $38 - 21 = 17$ )
- Divide by 2 → (e.g.,  $17 \div 2 = 8.5$ )

- Mark either the 8th or 9th stitch as your motif start point, depending on your centring preference.

#### **4. Work the First Row of the Heart**

Continue the next row as per the base pattern until you hit the stitch marker—this is where the motif begins. Follow the motif from top down.

Tip: Ensure colour changes are made with tails to the wrong side of your work. I carried the yarn behind the work and crocheted over it, keeping things neat. You can find a [video tutorial here](#) and a [written version here](#).

#### **5. Continue with the Motif**

Work in rounds, continuing both the main sweater pattern and the heart graph until the motif is complete. I chose to remove two rows of the heart at its widest point to keep the heart rounded. Carry yarn back along the previous row between rounds—watch how around the 2:30 mark in [this video](#).

#### **6. Ribbed Band and Finishing Touches**

For the sleeve cuffs and body hem, switch back to your contrasting colour for a pop of polish. Weave in ends and block as needed.

And that's it—you've got yourself a sweet, semi-custom baby jumper!

