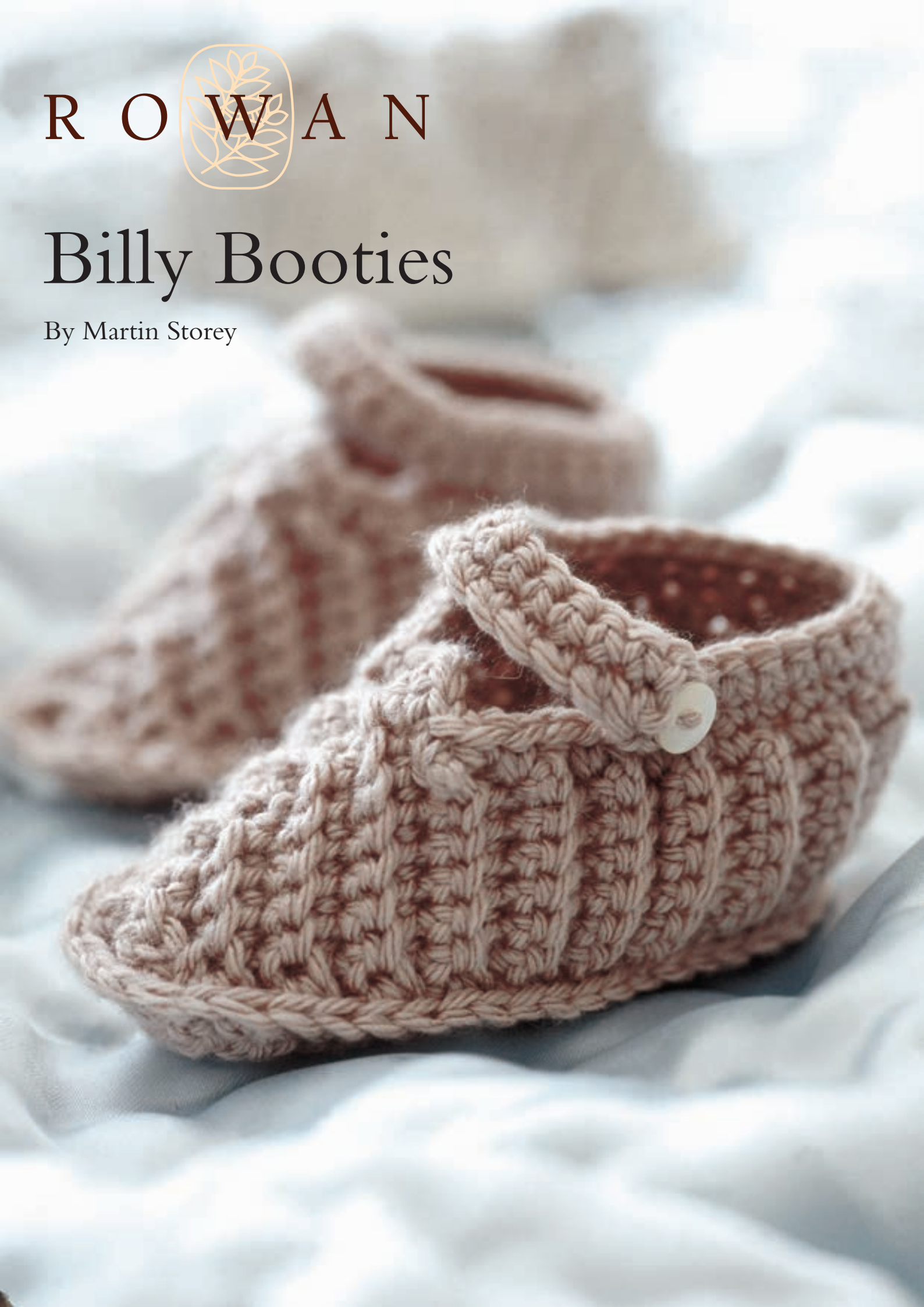


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## YARN

	S	M	L	
Length of foot	9	10	11	cm
	3½	4	4½	in

## Baby Merino Silk DK

1 1 1 x 50gm

(photographed in Clay 679)

## CROCHET HOOK

3.50mm (no 9) (US E4) crochet hook

## BUTTONS

2 x small

## TENSION

19 sts and 22 rows to 10 cm measured over double crochet fabric using 3.50mm (US E4) crochet hook.

## CROCHET ABBREVIATIONS

**ch** = chain; **dc** = double crochet; **dc2tog** = insert hook into next st, yoh and draw loop through, insert hook into foll st, yoh and draw loop through, yoh and draw through all 3 loops on hook; **ss** = slip stitch; **yoh** = yarn over hook.

## SOLE (worked from heel to toe)

Using 3.50mm (US E4) hook, make 3 [3: 4] ch.

**Row 1 (RS):** 1 [2: 2] dc into 2nd ch from hook, (1 dc into next ch) 0 [0: 1] times, 2 dc into last ch, turn. 3 [4: 5] sts.

**Row 2:** 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 2 dc into first dc, 1 dc into each of next 1 [2: 3] dc, 2 dc into last dc, turn. 5 [6: 7] sts.

**Row 3:** 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc into each dc to

end, turn.

Rep row 3, 5 [6: 7] times more.

**Next row:** 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 2 dc into first dc, 1 dc into each dc to last dc, 2 dc into last dc, turn. 7 [8: 9] sts.

Rep row 3, 8 [9: 10] times more.

**Next row:** 1 ch (does NOT count as st), dc2tog over first 2 sts, 1 dc into each dc to last 2 sts, dc2tog over last 2 sts, turn. 5 [6: 7] sts.

Rep last row once more. 3 [4: 5] sts.

Fasten off.

## UPPER (worked from toe to heel)

Using 3.50mm (US E4) hook, make 4 ch.

**Row 1 (WS):** 1 dc into 2nd ch from hook, 3 dc into next ch, 1 dc into last ch, turn. 5 sts.

Now **working into back loops only** of sts of previous rows, cont as folls:

**Row 2:** 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc into each of first 2 dc, 3 dc into next dc, 1 dc into each of last 2 dc, turn. 7 sts.

**Row 3:** 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc into each of first 3 dc, 3 dc into next dc, 1 dc into each of last 3 dc, turn. 9 sts.

**Row 4:** 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc into each of first 4 dc, 3 dc into next dc, 1 dc into each of last 4 dc, turn. 11 sts.

**Row 5:** 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc into each of first 5 dc, 3 dc into next dc, 1 dc into each of last 5 dc, turn. 13 sts.

**Row 6:** 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc into each of first 6 dc, 3 dc into next dc, 1 dc into each of last 6 dc, turn. 15 sts.

**Row 7:** 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc into each of first 7 dc, 3 dc into next dc, 1 dc into each of last 7 dc, turn. 17 sts.

## M and L sizes only

**Row 8:** 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc into each of first 8 dc, 3 dc into next dc, 1 dc into each of last 8 dc, turn. 19 sts.

## L size only

**Row 9:** 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc into each of first 9 dc, 3 dc into next dc, 1 dc into each of last 9 dc, turn. 21 sts.

**All sizes**

**Next row:** 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc into each of first 6 [7: 8] dc, turn, leaving rem sts unworked. 6 [7: 8] sts.

**Next row:** 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc into each dc to end, turn.

Matching centre of foundation ch to centre of last row of sole (thereby matching toes), rep last row until row-end edge of upper fits along outer edge of sole to centre of sole foundation ch edge (heel).

Fasten off.

With appropriate side of work facing, return to last complete row worked, miss centre 5 sts, rejoin yarn to next st, 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc into each dc to end, turn. 6 [7: 8] sts. Complete second side to match first.

**MAKING UP**

Press.

Join heel seam of upper. Matching heels and toes and with **WS** together, pin sole to upper.

With RS facing and using 3.50mm (US E4) hook, rejoin yarn at heel, 1 ch (does NOT count as st), work one round of dc around entire outer edge of sole, working through edge of upper as well to form sole seam and ending with ss to first dc.

Fasten off.

Mark points along row-end edges of upper 4 [4: 5] rows above

dividing row.

**Strap for right boot**

With RS facing and using 3.50mm (US E4) hook, rejoin yarn at marked point on inside of foot, 1 ch (does NOT count as st), work one round of dc around entire upper edge of upper, working 1 dc into each row-end and st and ending with ss to first dc, turn.

**Next row (WS):** 12 [12: 14] ch, 1 dc into 2nd ch from hook, 1 dc into each of next 10 [10: 12] ch, 1 dc into each dc of previous round to other marker, turn, leaving rem sts (across front edge of foot) unworked.

**Next row:** 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc into each dc to end, 3 ch, ss to base of strap to form buttonloop.

Fasten off.

**Strap for left boot**

With RS facing and using 3.50mm (US E4) hook, rejoin yarn at marked point on inside of foot, 1 ch (does NOT count as st), work one round of dc around entire upper edge of upper, working 1 dc into each row-end and st and ending with ss to first dc, do NOT turn.

**Next row (RS):** 12 [12: 14] ch, 1 dc into 2nd ch from hook, 1 dc into each of next 10 [10: 12] ch, 1 dc into each dc of previous round to other marker, turn, leaving rem sts (across front edge of foot) unworked.

**Next row:** 1 ch (does NOT count as st), 1 dc into each dc to end, 3 ch, ss to base of strap to form buttonloop.

Fasten off.

Sew on buttons.