Alpine stitch scarf

Standard · US terms



Finished size
About 7 × 59½ in (18 × 151 cm)

Skill
Intermediate
Rows below, post stitches

Yarn
Medium (4)

Hook
5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge
13½ stitches and 10 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In alpine stitch.

What you need

Yarn: forest green tweed, medium (4) **about 425 yd (389 m), an estimate**
By weight: about 210 g, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).
Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9). Also: yarn needle, scissors and tape measure.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Short and narrow	5¼ × 50 in (13 × 127 cm)	about 275 yd (251 m)
Standard (this file)	**7 × 59½ in (18 × 151 cm)**	**about 425 yd (389 m)**
Long	7 × 70¾ in (18 × 180 cm)	about 500 yd (457 m)
Long and wide	9 × 70¾ in (23 × 180 cm)	about 600 yd (549 m)

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Gauge

13½ stitches and 10 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in alpine stitch.

Use any hook that gives you this. If you count more stitches than this in 4 in (10 cm), change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, to a smaller one.

To count your gauge in the middle of the test piece: 14 stitches side by side are about 4 1/8 in (10.5 cm) wide, and 10 rows are about 4 in (10 cm) tall.

The pattern also stops you to measure after row 8.

> **The swatch.** This piece is small enough to be its own test piece: you may skip the test piece, begin, and measure the width at the first place to stop. If you do make a swatch, it is a test piece to measure and pull out, not the start of the pattern. The test piece is about 6 in (15 cm) wide and 6¾ in (17 cm) tall, so that you can count over 4 in (10 cm) in the middle of it.
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> | **Swatch foundation** | Ch 22. | |
> | **Swatch row 1 (RS)** | Dc in 4th ch from hook (skipped chs count as dc) and in each ch across | (20 dc) |
> | **Swatch row 2** | Ch 1, turn; sc in next 19 sts, sc in top of turning ch | (20 sc) |
> | **Swatch row 3** | Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**FPdc around next st 2 rows below, dc in next st**] 9 times**, dc in last st | (11 dc, 9 FPdc) |
> | **Swatch row 4** | Ch 1, turn; sc in next 19 sts, sc in top of turning ch | (20 sc) |
> | **Swatch row 5** | Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next st, FPdc around next st 2 rows below**] 9 times**, dc in last st | (11 dc, 9 FPdc) |
> | **Swatch rows 6 to 17** | Repeat swatch rows 2 to 5 in order, over and over. The last row, swatch row 17, is worked as swatch row 5. | |

For another width, add or take away 2 chains at a time: each 2 chains adds one more repeat of each bracketed group, and 2 more stitches to a row that has no brackets. Measure your own gauge first.

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Instructions

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dc double crochet (UK tr), **ch** chain, **sc** single crochet (UK dc), **FPdc** dc round the stitch below, hook in and out at the front, **st** stitch.

The ch 1 is not a stitch. Work in the **very first stitch**.

[ ] 11 times: 11 times in all. (13 dc, 11 FPdc): the row now has that many; a check, not a step. **How to read a pattern**

Also: yo yarn over.

Every stitch, drawn: flossfield.com/crochet/stitches.

☐ **Start**	Ch 26.	
☐ **Row 1**	Dc in 4th ch from hook (skipped chs count as dc) and in each ch across	(24 dc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 23 sts, sc in top of turning ch	(24 sc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**FPdc around next st 2 rows below, dc in next st**] 11 times**, dc in last st	(13 dc, 11 FPdc)
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 23 sts, sc in top of turning ch	(24 sc)
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next st, FPdc around next st 2 rows below**] 11 times**, dc in last st	(13 dc, 11 FPdc)
☐ **Rows 6 to 8**	Repeat rows 2 to 5 in order, over and over. The last row before you stop, row 8, is worked as row 4.	

The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

6 7 **8**

> **Stop and measure now, after row 8.** Width, across the middle of the rows and not along the chain edge: about 7 in (18 cm). If it is wider, start again with a smaller hook; if it is narrower, with a larger one. If only the chain edge is tight, make the chain with a larger hook.

☐ **Rows 9 to 149** — Go on repeating rows 2 to 5 in order, over and over. Row 9 is worked as row 5. The last row, row 149, is worked as row 5.

Repeat until the piece measures about 59½ in (151 cm), ending with a row worked as row 5: at our gauge that is row 149. Go by the tape measure, not the count.

9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36
37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64
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93 94 95 96 97 98 99 100 101 102 103 104 105 106 107 108 109 110 111 112 113 114 115 116 117 118 119 120
121 122 123 124 125 126 127 128 129 130 131 132 133 134 135 136 137 138 139 140 141 142 143 144 145 146 147 148
149

☐ Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.

Finishing

- Weave in the ends.
- Lay the piece flat, pull it gently to its size, dampen it and let it dry.

In all: 149 rows; 3,576 stitches; 2 ends to weave in.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. The estimate is from the stitches and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added. To measure your own: work the swatch and

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measure it, mark the yarn where the swatch begins and ends, pull the swatch out and measure the yarn it took; divide by the area of the swatch and multiply by the area of the piece.

Notes

- The ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch: the first stitch of the row goes into the first st of the row below.
- The ch 3 at the start of a row counts as a dc. It stands on the first st of the row below; the next st is the second. The last stitch of the next row is worked into the top of it. In row 2 that is the top of the skipped chs: the last ch you made of the foundation.
- To work an FPdc: yo, insert the hook from front to back to front around the post (the upright part) of the st, yo, pull up a loop, [yo, pull through 2 loops] 2 times. The front is the side that faces you as you work.
- Row 1 is the right side.
- A post stitch 2 rows below goes around the post of the stitch two rows down, straight under the next stitch. Draw its first loop up to the height of the row being worked. The st of the row below that stands behind it is left unworked.
- The number of rows is our estimate: yours may differ, and the length does not change the stitch count.
- Leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) when you begin, and weave it in at the end with the others. Join a new ball at the end of a row, with the same tails: each join adds two ends.
- Buy whole balls from one dye lot.

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