Jumbo arm-worked throw

Standard · US terms



Finished size
About 48 × 60 in (122 × 152 cm)

Skill
Beginner
Stripes, one stitch, worked with the hand and arm

Yarn
Jumbo (7), 3 colors

Hook
30 mm (US T/X)

Gauge
1½ stitches and 2 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn A: cream	**about 150 yd (137 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: sage green	**about 150 yd (137 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: deep green	**about 75 yd (69 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 830 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 45 yd (41 m).
Hook: 30 mm (US T/X). Also: yarn needle, scissors and tape measure.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Small	40 × 48 in (102 × 122 cm)	about 255 yd (233 m)
Standard (this file)	**48 × 60 in (122 × 152 cm)**	**about 375 yd (343 m)**

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Gauge

1½ stitches and 2 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet. Along a row, count every stitch and every chain between stitches as one.

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: there are no chains between the stitches here, so count the stitches alone: 3 stitches side by side are about 8 in (20.5 cm) wide, and 4 rows are about 8 in (20.5 cm) tall.

The pattern also stops you to measure after row 4.

> **The swatch.** A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. The test piece is about 16 in (41 cm) wide and 12 in (30 cm) tall, so that you can count 3 stitches in the middle of it.
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> | **Swatch foundation** | With A, ch 7. | |
> | **Swatch row 1 (RS)** | Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across | (6 sc) |
> | **Swatch rows 2 to 6** | Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across | (6 sc) |

For another width, make the chain longer or shorter: each chain is one more stitch. Measure your own gauge first.

Instructions

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sc single crochet (UK dc), **ch** chain, **st** stitch.
The ch 1 is not a stitch. Work in the **very first stitch**.
(18 sc): the row now has 18; a check, not a step. Not 18? **Pull it back**.
Also: yo yarn over.
Every stitch, drawn: flossfield.com/crochet/stitches.

☐ **Start**	With A, make a slip knot and ch 19.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(18 sc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 4**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(18 sc)

The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

2 3 **4**

> **Stop and measure now, after row 4.** Width, across the middle of the rows and not along the chain edge: about 48 in (122 cm). Height: the 4 rows together about 8 in (20 cm). If the width is too wide, start again and make every stitch a little less wide; if it is too narrow, a little wider. If the rows are too tall, draw every stitch down a little more; if they are too short, a little less. If only the chain edge is tight, make the chains longer. If you work with a hook, use a smaller one when the width is too wide and a larger one when it is too narrow.

☐ **Rows 5 to 6**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(18 sc)

5 6

☐ **Row 7**	With B, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(18 sc)
☐ **Rows 8 to 12**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(18 sc)

8 9 10 11 12

☐ **Row 13**	With C, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(18 sc)
☐ **Rows 14 to 18**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(18 sc)

14 15 16 17 18

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☐	**Row 19**	With B, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(18 sc)
☐	**Rows 20 to 24**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(18 sc)
	20 21 22 23 24		
☐	**Row 25**	With A, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(18 sc)
☐	**Rows 26 to 30**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(18 sc)
	26 27 28 29 30		
☐		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: 30 rows; 540 stitches; 10 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 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. That is the yarn for all the colors together: divide it among them by the rows each one has.

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.
- Row 1 is the right side.
- Change yarn in the last yarn over of the last stitch of the row before.
- Cut a yarn when its stripe is done, leaving a tail of about 6 in (15 cm), and work over the tails as you go or weave them in at the end. The estimates include the tails; if you measure your own, add them.
- Your hand is the hook. The loop that would lie on a hook lies around the wrist of the hand you crochet with, and "yo" means: take hold of the yarn with that hand. A loop on the wrist is wide enough for the hand to slip through; it is drawn down to its size when its stitch or ch is closed. With a hook of 30 mm the stitches are the same, with the loops on the hook, each pulled up to about 2 in (5 cm).
- To begin: make a slip knot with a loop wide enough for your hand, and put it around your wrist.
- To chain by hand: yo, pull the yarn through the loop as that loop slides off over your hand, and put the new loop around your wrist. Then pull on the new loop until the one that slid off is drawn down to a ch about 2 5/8 in (7 cm) long, and pull the yarn from the ball until the new loop is just wide enough for your hand.
- To work a sc by hand: put your hand from front to back under the top 2 strands of the st, yo, pull a loop back through, wide enough for your hand, and put it around your wrist beside the first (2 loops); yo, pull the yarn through both loops as they slide off over your hand; put the new loop around your wrist. Then draw the stitch down to its size, about 2 5/8 in (7 cm) wide and 2 in (5 cm) tall, the height of a row: pull the slack along the yarn, out of the loop that was first on your wrist, then out of the second, into the new loop; and pull the yarn from the ball until the new loop is just wide enough for your hand. At a change of yarn the slack of the old yarn comes out at its own end: draw it out there before you cut that yarn.
- The ch 1 that begins a row is chained by hand too, but draw it down to about 2 in (5 cm), so that the edge is as tall as the row.
- In row 1 the 2nd ch from hook is the 2nd ch from the loop on your wrist. Put your hand under the 2 top strands of each ch.
- When you stop, pull the last loop long so that it does not slip out. Loosely spun wool and chenille are both right for it, and both shed a little where they are cut. The ends may be woven in with your fingers in place of a yarn needle.
- 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.
- Of the 30 rows, A has 12, B 12 and C 6.

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