Back loop ripple throw

Standard · US terms



Finished size
About 51½ × 60 in (131 × 152 cm)

Skill
Easy
Groups in one place, skipped stitches, one loop only

Yarn
Medium (4)

Hook
5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge
15½ stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In back loop single crochet ripple.

What you need

Yarn: any color, medium (4) **about 3,200 yd (2,926 m), an estimate**
By weight: about 1,600 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.

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Gauge

15½ stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in back loop single crochet ripple.

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: one repeat of the bracketed group (11 foundation chains' worth) is about 2¾ in (7 cm) wide, and 15 rows are about 4 in (10 cm) tall.

The pattern also stops you to measure after row 12.

The swatch. Work the test piece first. This piece is wide, and starting again after the first place to stop means working its first rows a second time. A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. Gauge is counted over 4 in (10 cm), so make the swatch bigger than that: about 6 in (15 cm) each way, and count in the middle of it.

Swatch foundation — Ch 35.

Swatch row 1 (RS) — 2 sc in 2nd ch from hook,
[sc in next 4 chs, sk next 2 chs, sc in next 4 chs, 3 sc in next ch**] 2 times**,
sc in next 4 chs, sk next 2 chs, sc in next 4 chs, 2 sc in last ch (34 sc)

Swatch rows 2 to 23 — Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in BLO of first st,
[sc in BLO of next 4 sts, sk next 2 sts, sc in BLO of next 4 sts,
3 sc in BLO of next st**] 2 times**,
sc in BLO of next 4 sts, sk next 2 sts, sc in BLO of next 4 sts, 2 sc in BLO of last st (34 sc)

For another width, add or take away 11 chains at a time: each 11 chains adds one more repeat of each bracketed group. Measure your own gauge first.

Instructions

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sc single crochet (UK dc), **ch** chain, **sk** skip, **BLO** only the loop away from you, **st** stitch.
The ch 1 is not a stitch. Work in the **very first stitch**.
[ ] 17 times: 17 times in all. (199 sc): the row now has 199; a check, not a step. Not 199? **Pull it back**.
Every stitch, drawn: flossfield.com/crochet/stitches.

☐ **Start** — Make a slip knot. Ch 200.

☐ **Row 1** — 2 sc in 2nd ch from hook,
[sc in next 4 chs, sk next 2 chs, sc in next 4 chs, 3 sc in next ch**] 17 times**,
sc in next 4 chs, sk next 2 chs, sc in next 4 chs, 2 sc in last ch (199 sc)

☐ **Rows 2 to 12** — Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in BLO of first st,
[sc in BLO of next 4 sts, sk next 2 sts, sc in BLO of next 4 sts,
3 sc in BLO of next st**] 17 times**,
sc in BLO of next 4 sts, sk next 2 sts, sc in BLO of next 4 sts, 2 sc in BLO of last st (199 sc)

The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	**12**

Stop and measure now, after row 12. Width, across the middle of the rows and not along the chain edge: about 51½ in (131 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.

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☐ **Rows 13 to 225**

Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in BLO of first st,

> **[**sc in BLO of next 4 sts, sk next 2 sts, sc in BLO of next 4 sts,
> 3 sc in BLO of next st**] 17 times**,

sc in BLO of next 4 sts, sk next 2 sts, sc in BLO of next 4 sts, 2 sc in BLO of last st (199 sc)

Repeat until the piece measures about 60 in (152 cm): at our gauge that is row 225. Go by the tape measure, not the count.



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

Finishing

- Weave in the ends.
- This pattern has no border: the top and the bottom of this stitch pattern are zigzags, and a straight border would pull the points flat.

In all: 225 rows; 44,775 stitches; 2 ends to weave in.

Also makes: back loop ripple baby blanket, from the same stitch pattern. See the pattern's page at flossfield.com/crochet/patterns/back-loop-ripple-throw/.

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.

Notes

- The ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.
- Row 1 is the right side.
- Stitches in parentheses, or several of one stitch, are all worked into the one place named after them.
- 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.
- One yarn is used throughout: a variegated, self-striping or cake yarn of the same weight and length can take its place, and its colors fall where the yarn has them.

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