Beaded lace collar necklace

US terms



Finished size
About 13¾ in (35 cm) long at the neck edge and about 2¼ in (6 cm) deep to the tips of the drops, blocked, without the bead and loop

Skill
Intermediate
Worked in rows, with 1 special stitch.

Yarn
Lace (0)

Hook
1.75 mm (US steel, between 6 and 7)

Gauge
34 stitches and 36 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn: any one color (deep green in the picture), lace (0) **about 30 yd (27 m), an estimate**
Fiber: cotton crochet thread, size 10
Hook: 1.75 mm (US steel, between 6 and 7), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a yarn needle, scissors, pins for blocking, 262 gold beads of about 1/8 in (3 to 4 mm) with a hole the thread goes through, a fine beading needle that takes the thread and goes through those beads, a wooden bead of about 3/8 in (10 mm) for the closing, sewing thread, a needle for that bead and a spray bottle.

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.

Gauge

34 stitches and 36 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

Work a piece a little more than 4 in (10 cm) square, lay it flat and count. If you count more stitches than this, use a larger hook; if fewer, a smaller one.

Notes

- Where a line says turn, turn the piece over and work back along the stitches just made.
- A chain that counts as a stitch is marked so in its line and is included in the count.
- A chain 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line count its stitches and the chain spaces between them; slip stitches, and chains that are not named there, are not counted.

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- String all 262 beads on the thread before you begin, and push them along the yarn until they are wanted. A bead that a stitch holds sits on the side of the work away from you.
- To string them, thread the end of the ball through the beading needle, pick up a few beads at a time with it and slide them down the thread.
- The side that faces you in Row 1 is the right side. It faces you in Rows 1, 3 and 5. A bead chain leaves its bead on the side away from you, but the beads hang in open loops; when a row is done, turn its beads to the right side with a finger.
- Rows 4, 5 and 6: each sc in a ch-7, ch-9 or ch-11 sp is worked round the 3 plain chains between the two beads of that loop, round the middle one, so that one bead lies on each side of it. The ch-4 sps of Row 4 and the two tr at its ends only carry the work to the level of the loops; nothing is worked in the ch-4 sps.
- Row 4: the ch 8 stands on the last sc of Row 3, and the last tr is worked in the first sc of Row 3. Row 5: its first sc is worked in that tr, and its last sc in the 4th ch of the ch 8. Row 6: its first sc is worked in the last sc of Row 5, and its last sc in the first sc of Row 5; the first and the last drop stand at the two ends of the collar.
- For another length, make the foundation chain 4 chains longer or shorter for every ½ in (1.2 cm) wanted at the neck edge, and work every part in square brackets one time more or less. Each 4 chains add or take 9 beads. In a thicker yarn use larger beads.
- The distances under FINISHING are for the yarn and gauge above; in another yarn make them larger or smaller in the same proportion as the size.
- The same words in another yarn make another size, measured along the neck edge: fine yarn (2) and a 3.25 mm hook, about 22¼ in (57 cm); light yarn (3) and a 4 mm hook, about 26 in (66 cm); medium yarn (4) and a 5 mm hook, about 33½ in (85 cm).

Instructions

US terms.

ch chain, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **tr** treble crochet (UK double treble), **rem** remaining, **sp** space, **st** stitch.
sk skip.
ch-7 sp: the gap under seven chains; the hook goes in the gap.
[ ] 29 times: work what is inside 29 times in all.
(117 sc): the stitches you have when the row is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Special stitches

bead ch (Bead chain): Slide a bead up to the hook, yarn over beyond the bead and pull through the loop. It counts as one chain.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 118.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across	(117 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(117 sc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn, sc in first st, **[**ch 1, bead ch, ch 3, bead ch, ch 1, sk next 3 sts, sc in next st**] 29 times**	(30 sc, 29 ch-7 sps)
☐ **Row 4**	Turn, ch 8 (counts as tr and ch-4), sc in next ch-7 sp, **[**ch 2, bead ch, ch 3, bead ch, ch 2, sc in next ch-7 sp**] 28 times**, ch 4, tr in next st	(2 tr, 2 ch-4 sps, 29 sc, 28 ch-9 sps)

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☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn, sc in first st, **[**ch 3, bead ch, ch 3, bead ch, ch 3, sc in next ch-9 sp**] 28 times**, ch 3, bead ch, ch 3, bead ch, ch 3, sc in next st (30 sc, 29 ch-11 sps)
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn, sc in first st, **[**ch 6, bead ch, bead ch, bead ch, ch 6, sc in next ch-11 sp**] 29 times**, ch 6, bead ch, bead ch, bead ch, ch 6, sc in next st (31 sc, 30 ch-15 sps)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.

Finishing

- Block: lay the collar flat, right side up, and pin the neck band along a circle about 5 1/8 in (13 cm) across, so that the two ends of the band stand about 2 3/8 in (6 cm) apart. Pin every drop straight out from the circle, with its three beads at the tip and the loops behind it open and even. Spray the collar with water and let it dry.
- Closing: lay the collar right side up with the neck band at the top. With sewing thread, sew the wooden bead on top of the neck band at its right end, its middle ¼ in (0.6 cm) from the short edge and level with the line between Rows 1 and 2.
- Loop: at the left end of the neck band, join the thread with a slip stitch in the end of Row 1, ch 14, work a slip stitch in the end of Row 2 and fasten off. The loop is about ¾ in (1.9 cm) long when it is pulled flat. Pull it over the bead to see that it holds; work a chain more or less if it does not.
- Weave in all the ends that are left with the yarn needle.

In all: 6 rows; 356 stitches.

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