Block stitch scarf

Standard · US terms



Finished size
About 6¾ × 59¾ in (17 × 152 cm)

Skill
Easy
Stripes, skipped stitches, chain spaces, groups in one place, between stitches

Yarn
Medium (4), 2 colors

Hook
5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge
13 stitches and 10½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In block stitch.

You will need

Yarn A: navy, main	**about 165 yd (151 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: honey, contrast	**about 165 yd (151 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9). Also: yarn needle, scissors and tape measure.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. 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.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Standard (this file)	**6¾ × 59¾ in (17 × 152 cm)**	**about 330 yd (302 m)**
Short and narrow	5¾ × 50¾ in (15 × 129 cm)	about 245 yd (224 m)
Long	6¾ × 70½ in (17 × 179 cm)	about 390 yd (356 m)
Long and wide	8½ × 70½ in (22 × 179 cm)	about 500 yd (458 m)

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Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

ch	chain stitch
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
RS	right side
sk	skip
sp	space
st	stitch

Gauge

13 stitches and 10½ rows to 4 in (10 cm) in block stitch. Along a row, count every stitch and every chain between stitches as one.

To count your gauge in the middle of the test piece: 15 stitches and chains side by side are about 4.6 in (11.7 cm) wide, and 10 rows are about 3.8 in (9.7 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 5¾ in (15 cm) wide and 6½ in (17 cm) tall, so that you can count over 4 in (10 cm) in the middle of it.

Swatch foundation	With A, ch 20.	
Swatch row 1 (RS)	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, **[**ch 2, sk next 2 chs, sc in next ch**] 6 times**	**(7 sc, 6 ch-2 sps)**
Swatch row 2	With B, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**3 dc in next ch-2 sp**] 6 times**, dc in last st	**(20 dc)**
Swatch row 3	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, ch 2, sk next 3 sts, **[**sc in sp before next st, ch 2, sk next 3 sts**] 5 times**, sc in top of turning ch	**(7 sc, 6 ch-2 sps)**
Swatch row 4	With A, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**3 dc in next ch-2 sp**] 6 times**, dc in last st	**(20 dc)**
Swatch row 5	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, ch 2, sk next 3 sts, **[**sc in sp before next st, ch 2, sk next 3 sts**] 5 times**, sc in top of turning ch	**(7 sc, 6 ch-2 sps)**
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 3 chains at a time: each 3 chains adds one more repeat of each bracketed group. Measure your own gauge first.

Before you start

- 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.
- 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.

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- A stitch worked into a chain space passes over any stitches that lie before the space; they are left unworked.
- Several of one stitch named together ("3 dc in next ch-2 sp") are all worked into that one place.
- The sp before next st is the gap between two stitches, under all the loops, not the top of a stitch.
- Change yarn in the last yarn over of the last stitch of the row before.
- Do not cut a yarn that rests: carry it loosely up the edge to where its next row begins. Cut each yarn when its last row is done, leaving a tail of about 6 in (15 cm).
- 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.
- A row of blocks and the row of single crochet above it are one color.

Instructions

Chosen: Standard. Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a row is done. In UK terms sc is double crochet and dc is treble.

Yarn A, navy.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 23.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, **[**ch 2, sk next 2 chs, sc in next ch**] 7 times**	**(8 sc, 7 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Row 2**	With B, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**3 dc in next ch-2 sp**] 7 times**, dc in last st	**(23 dc)**
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, ch 2, sk next 3 sts, **[**sc in sp before next st, ch 2, sk next 3 sts**] 6 times**, sc in top of turning ch	**(8 sc, 7 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Row 4**	With A, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**3 dc in next ch-2 sp**] 7 times**, dc in last st	**(23 dc)**
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, ch 2, sk next 3 sts, **[**sc in sp before next st, ch 2, sk next 3 sts**] 6 times**, sc in top of turning ch	**(8 sc, 7 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rows 6 to 157**	Repeat rows 2 to 5 in order, over and over. The last row, row 157, is worked as row 5.	

A box for each row, 6 to 157: tick them off as you go. The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

6	7	**8**	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	
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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	150	
151	152	153	154	155	156	157																							

> **Stop and measure when you have worked row 8.** Width, across the middle of the rows and not along the chain edge: about 6¾ in (17 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.

☐ **End**	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: 157 rows; 2,426 stitches; 4 ends to weave in.

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