Bobble stitch sweater

M, to fit bust 37 in (94 cm) · US terms



Finished size
About 42½ in (108 cm) at the bust and about 22¾ in (58 cm) long
To fit a bust of 37 in (94 cm)

Skill
Intermediate
Bobbles, shaping and seams

Yarn
Medium (4), 2 colors

Hook
5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge
13 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In bobble stitch.

What you need

Yarn A: cream, main color — **about 1,325 yd (1,212 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: rust, contrast — **about 135 yd (123 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 730 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: yarn needle, scissors, tape measure and stitch markers.

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 of this size at this gauge.

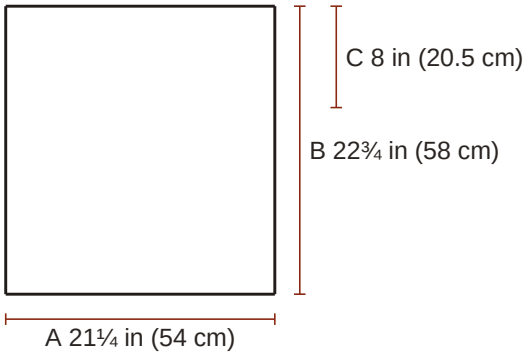
Sizes

Size	To fit bust	Yarn, an estimate	Bust	Length	Armhole depth	Sleeve	Upper sleeve	Back neck
XS	29 in (73.5 cm)	about 1,225 yd (1,120 m)	35 in (89 cm)	22¼ in (56.5 cm)	7 in (18 cm)	16¼ in (41.5 cm)	14¼ in (36 cm)	10¾ in (27.5 cm)
S	33 in (84 cm)	about 1,330 yd (1,216 m)	38¾ in (98.5 cm)	22¼ in (56.5 cm)	7½ in (19 cm)	16¼ in (41.5 cm)	14¾ in (37.5 cm)	10¾ in (27.5 cm)
M (this file)	**37 in (94 cm)**	**about 1,460 yd (1,335 m)**	**42½ in (108 cm)**	**22¾ in (58 cm)**	**8 in (20.5 cm)**	**15¾ in (40 cm)**	**16 in (40.5 cm)**	**10¾ in (27.5 cm)**
L	41 in (104 cm)	about 1,600 yd (1,463 m)	47½ in (120.5 cm)	22¾ in (58 cm)	8½ in (21.5 cm)	15¾ in (40 cm)	17¼ in (44 cm)	10¾ in (27.5 cm)

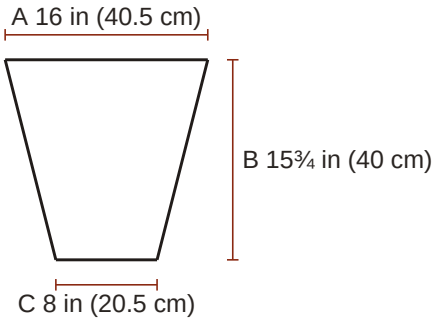
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1X	45 in (114.5 cm)	about 1,735 yd (1,586 m)	51 in (129.5 cm)	22¾ in (58 cm)	9 in (23 cm)	15¾ in (40 cm)	17¾ in (45 cm)	10¾ in (27.5 cm)
2X	49 in (124.5 cm)	about 1,865 yd (1,705 m)	54¾ in (139 cm)	23¼ in (59 cm)	9½ in (24 cm)	15¾ in (40 cm)	19 in (48.5 cm)	10¾ in (27.5 cm)
3X	53 in (134.5 cm)	about 1,950 yd (1,783 m)	58½ in (148.5 cm)	23¼ in (59 cm)	9¾ in (25 cm)	14¾ in (37.5 cm)	19¾ in (50 cm)	10¾ in (27.5 cm)
4X	57 in (145 cm)	about 2,135 yd (1,952 m)	63½ in (161.5 cm)	23¾ in (60.5 cm)	10½ in (26.5 cm)	14¾ in (37.5 cm)	21 in (53.5 cm)	10¾ in (27.5 cm)
5X	61 in (155 cm)	about 2,215 yd (2,025 m)	67 in (170 cm)	23¾ in (60.5 cm)	11 in (28 cm)	14¼ in (36 cm)	22¼ in (56.5 cm)	10¾ in (27.5 cm)

Schematic



Back
A half the bust
B the length
C the armhole



Sleeve (make 2)
A the top of the sleeve, opened flat
B the sleeve
C around the cuff

Gauge

13 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in bobble stitch.

Count each bobble as 1 st.

> **The swatch.** A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. Ch 20. Row 1 (RS): Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across. Rows 2 and 3: Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across. Row 4: Ch 1, turn; sc in next 3 sts, [bob in next st, sc in next 3 sts] 4 times. Rows 5 to 7: Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across. Row 8: Ch 1, turn; sc in next st, [bob in next st, sc in next 3 sts] 4 times, bob in next st, sc in next st. Rows 9 to 11: Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across. Rows 12 to 19: Repeat Rows 4 to 11, once more. Row 20: Ch 1, turn; sc in next 3 sts, [bob in next st, sc in next 3 sts] 4 times. Rows 21 and 22: Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across. The swatch of 22 rows is about 5¾ in (14.5 cm) wide and 5¾ in (14.5 cm) high. Measure 4 in (10 cm) in the middle. Use a larger hook if your swatch is small, a smaller one if it is large. Sleeves: 13 sts and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet (UK: double crochet). Ribs: worked sideways, 14 rows and 13 sts to 4 in (10 cm), so a rib of 8 sts is about 2½ in (6.5 cm) deep.

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Notes

- The finished bust is from 5½ in (14 cm) to 6½ in (16.5 cm) wider than the body measurement, by the size. Choose by the finished measurement you like; no fit is promised beyond the measurements given.
- The turning chain (ch 1 for single crochet) never counts as a stitch. Work the first stitch of every row into the first stitch, at the base of the turning chain.
- The chain at the start of a round never counts as a stitch. Work the first stitch of the round into the stitch at its base, where the round was joined.
- Odd-numbered rows are right side rows. Mark the right side of each piece with a stitch marker or a scrap of yarn.
- The ribs are worked sideways in back-loop single crochet (UK: double crochet). The body and sleeves are worked up from a long edge, one stitch in the end of each rib row. The rib draws in: it is a little narrower than the body above it.
- Sew every seam with the yarn needle and yarn A.
- In back loop only: insert the hook under the loop of the stitch that is farther from you, and leave the nearer loop free.

Instructions

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ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **Rnd** round, **st** stitch.

RS right side, the one that shows.

[ ] 16 times: work what is inside 16 times in all.

(8 sc): the stitches you have when the row is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Special stitches

bob (bobble): [yarn over, insert the hook in the stitch named, yarn over and pull up a loop, yarn over and pull through 2 loops] 5 times in the same stitch (6 loops on the hook); yarn over and pull through all 6 loops. Worked on a wrong side row, it stands out on the right side.

Hem rib: make 2, one for the back and one for the front

Yarn B, rust.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn B, ch 9.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(8 sc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 69**	Ch 1, turn; sc in back loop only of each st across	(8 sc)

2 3 4 5 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 64 65 66 67 68 69

☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

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Back

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	In this size the first st and the last st of each row are a plain edge beside the stitch pattern. Hold a hem rib with one long edge at the top. Join yarn A at the right-hand end of that edge; ch 1, sc in the end of each rib row across (69 sc). This is row 1, and a right side row.	
☐ **Rows 2 to 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(69 sc)
	2 3	
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 4 sts, **[**bob in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 16 times**, sc in next st	(53 sc, 16 bob)
☐ **Rows 5 to 7**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(69 sc)
	5 6 7	
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 2 sts, **[**bob in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 16 times**, bob in next st, sc in next 2 sts	(52 sc, 17 bob)
☐ **Rows 9 to 11**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(69 sc)
	9 10 11	
☐ **Rows 12 to 75**	Repeat Rows 4 to 11, 8 more times	(69 sc)
	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 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75	
☐ **Row 76**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 4 sts, **[**bob in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 16 times**, sc in next st	(53 sc, 16 bob)
☐ **End**	The back measures about 21¼ in (54 cm) wide and 22¾ in (58 cm) long. Fasten off.	

Front

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	In this size the first st and the last st of each row are a plain edge beside the stitch pattern. Hold a hem rib with one long edge at the top. Join yarn A at the right-hand end of that edge; ch 1, sc in the end of each rib row across (69 sc). This is row 1, and a right side row.	
☐ **Rows 2 to 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(69 sc)
	2 3	
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 4 sts, **[**bob in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 16 times**, sc in next st	(53 sc, 16 bob)
☐ **Rows 5 to 7**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(69 sc)
	5 6 7	
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 2 sts, **[**bob in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 16 times**, bob in next st, sc in next 2 sts	(52 sc, 17 bob)

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☐ **Rows 9 to 11**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(69 sc)

9 10 11

☐ **Rows 12 to 75**	Repeat Rows 4 to 11, 8 more times	(69 sc)

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 65 66 67
68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75

☐ **Row 76**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 4 sts, **[**bob in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 16 times**, sc in next st	(53 sc, 16 bob)
☐ **End**	The front is the same as the back. Fasten off.	

Cuff rib: make 2

Yarn B, rust.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn B, ch 9.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(8 sc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 26**	Ch 1, turn; sc in back loop only of each st across	(8 sc)

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Sleeve: make 2

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Hold a cuff rib with one long edge at the top. Join yarn A at the right-hand end of that edge; ch 1, sc in the end of each rib row across (26 sc). This is row 1, and a right side row.	
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(26 sc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across to last st, 2 sc in last st	(28 sc)
☐ **Rows 4 to 5**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(28 sc)

4 5

☐ **Rows 6 to 41**	Repeat Rows 3 to 5, 12 more times (30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46, 48, 50, 52 sc at the ends of the repeats)	(52 sc)

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

☐ **Rows 42 to 50**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(52 sc)

42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50

☐ **End**	The sleeve measures about 16 in (40.5 cm) across the top and 15¾ in (40 cm) long. Fasten off.	

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Neckband

Yarn B, rust.

☐ **Foundation**	Work this at step 2 of Assembly. With the right side facing, join yarn B at the right shoulder seam (as worn); ch 1, sc in each of the 35 open sts of the back neck and in each of the 35 open sts of the front neck (70 sc); join with sl st in first sc. This is rnd 1.	
☐ **Rnds 2 to 4** 2 3 4	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(70 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Assembly

1. Shoulders: lay the front on the back with right sides together. Sew the 17 sts at each end of the top edge together, and leave the middle 35 sts of the back and of the front open for the neck.

2. Neckband: work it now, as written above.

3. Sleeves: place a marker on each side edge of the body 8 in (20.5 cm) below the shoulder seam (about 30 rows), front and back; this is half the top edge of the sleeve. With right sides together, put the middle of the top edge of a sleeve at each shoulder seam and sew the top edge to the body between the markers.

4. Sides and sleeves: sew each side seam from the marker down to the hem, and each sleeve seam from the underarm to the cuff edge.

Finishing

- Weave in all the ends. Wash as the yarn label says and lay flat to the measurements to dry.

In all: 4 pieces.

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