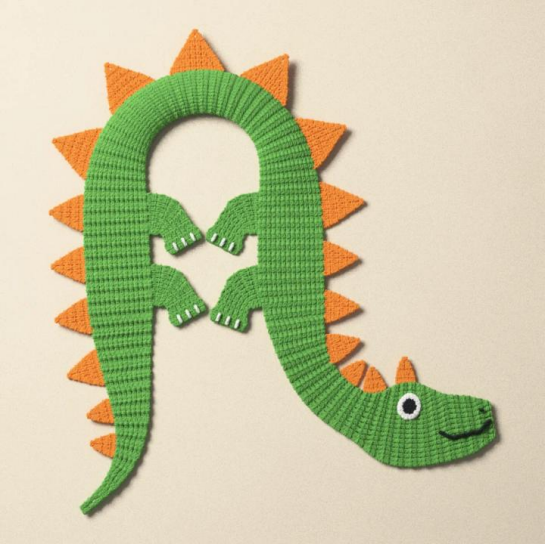
Boys' dinosaur scarf

Boy · US terms



Finished size
About 4 in (10 cm) wide and 60 in (152 cm) long, without the plates and the legs; the head is about 5¼ in (13 cm) high

Skill
Easy
Back loop only, increases and decreases at the edges, and sewing

Yarn
Medium (4), 4 colors

Hook
5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge
14 stitches and 12 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In ribbed half double crochet.

What you need

Yarn A: dino green	**about 220 yd (201 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: bright orange, the small plate, the medium plate and the large plate	**about 75 yd (69 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: white, the eye, round 3	**about 7 yd (6 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: ink black, the eye, rounds 1 and 2	**about 7 yd (6 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 150 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a yarn needle, scissors, a tape measure and pins, two for each plate.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Toddler	3½ in (9 cm) wide, 44 in (112 cm) long	about 229 yd (209 m)
Boy (this file)	**4 in (10 cm) wide, 60 in (152 cm) long**	**about 309 yd (283 m)**
Big kid	4½ in (11 cm) wide, 68 in (173 cm) long	about 369 yd (337 m)

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Gauge

14 stitches and 12 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in ribbed half double crochet.

Work the test piece, lay it flat without stretching it, and measure in its middle. If it has more stitches and rows to 4 in (10 cm), use a larger hook; if it has fewer, a smaller one. The plates and the legs are worked on the same hook: their single crochet comes to 14 stitches and 16 rows.

> **The swatch.** A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. The test piece takes about 30 yd (28 m) of A, which the amounts do not count. Undo it when you have measured it and use its yarn again, or buy that much more.
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> | **Swatch foundation** | With A, ch 21. | |
> | **Swatch row 1 (RS)** | Hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across | (20 hdc) |
> | **Swatch rows 2 to 18** | Ch 1, turn; hdc in BLO of each st across | (20 hdc) |

Instructions

Boy. US terms.

hdc half double crochet (UK htr), **ch** chain, **sc** single crochet (UK dc), **sl st** slip stitch, **BLO** only the loop away from you, **hdc2tog** 2 hdc made into one, **sc2tog** 2 sc made into one, **st** stitch.
2 sc in first st: **both in one stitch**. Sc in next 2 sts: one in each.
The ch 1 is not a stitch. Work in the **very first stitch**.
(2 hdc): the row now has 2; a check, not a step. Not 2? **Pull it back**.
Also: RS right side, yo yarn over.
Every stitch, drawn: flossfield.com/crochet/stitches.

Dinosaur

Yarn A, dino green.

☐ **Start**	With A, make a slip knot and ch 3.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(2 hdc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 3** 2 3	Ch 1, turn; hdc in BLO of each st across	(2 hdc)
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; 2 hdc in BLO of first st, hdc in BLO of last st	(3 hdc)
☐ **Rows 5 to 6** 5 6	Ch 1, turn; hdc in BLO of each st across	(3 hdc)
☐ **Row 7**	Ch 1, turn; 2 hdc in BLO of first st, hdc in BLO of next 2 sts	(4 hdc)
☐ **Rows 8 to 9** 8 9	Ch 1, turn; hdc in BLO of each st across	(4 hdc)
☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn; 2 hdc in BLO of first st, hdc in BLO of next 3 sts	(5 hdc)
☐ **Rows 11 to 12** 11 12	Ch 1, turn; hdc in BLO of each st across	(5 hdc)
☐ **Row 13**	Ch 1, turn; 2 hdc in BLO of first st, hdc in BLO of next 4 sts	(6 hdc)

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☐ **Rows 14 to 15**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in BLO of each st across	(6 hdc)

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☐ **Row 16**	Ch 1, turn; 2 hdc in BLO of first st, hdc in BLO of next 5 sts	(7 hdc)
☐ **Rows 17 to 18**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in BLO of each st across	(7 hdc)

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☐ **Row 19**	Ch 1, turn; 2 hdc in BLO of first st, hdc in BLO of next 6 sts	(8 hdc)
☐ **Rows 20 to 21**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in BLO of each st across	(8 hdc)

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☐ **Row 22**	Ch 1, turn; 2 hdc in BLO of first st, hdc in BLO of next 7 sts	(9 hdc)
☐ **Rows 23 to 24**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in BLO of each st across	(9 hdc)

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☐ **Row 25**	Ch 1, turn; 2 hdc in BLO of first st, hdc in BLO of next 8 sts	(10 hdc)
☐ **Rows 26 to 27**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in BLO of each st across	(10 hdc)

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☐ **Row 28**	Ch 1, turn; 2 hdc in BLO of first st, hdc in BLO of next 9 sts	(11 hdc)
☐ **Rows 29 to 30**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in BLO of each st across	(11 hdc)

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☐ **Row 31**	Ch 1, turn; 2 hdc in BLO of first st, hdc in BLO of next 10 sts	(12 hdc)
☐ **Rows 32 to 33**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in BLO of each st across	(12 hdc)

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☐ **Row 34**	Ch 1, turn; 2 hdc in BLO of first st, hdc in BLO of next 11 sts	(13 hdc)
☐ **Rows 35 to 36**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in BLO of each st across	(13 hdc)

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☐ **Row 37**	Ch 1, turn; 2 hdc in BLO of first st, hdc in BLO of next 12 sts	(14 hdc)
☐ **Rows 38 to 132**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in BLO of each st across	(14 hdc)

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☐ **Row 133**	Ch 1, turn; hdc2tog over next 2 sts, hdc in BLO of next 12 sts	(12 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)
☐ **Rows 134 to 135**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in BLO of each st across	(13 hdc)

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☐ **Row 136**	Ch 1, turn; hdc2tog over next 2 sts, hdc in BLO of next 11 sts	(11 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)
☐ **Rows 137 to 138**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in BLO of each st across	(12 hdc)

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☐ **Row 139**	Ch 1, turn; hdc2tog over next 2 sts, hdc in BLO of next 10 sts	(10 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)

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☐ **Rows 140 to 141** 140 141	Ch 1, turn; hdc in BLO of each st across	(11 hdc)
☐ **Row 142**	Ch 1, turn; hdc2tog over next 2 sts, hdc in BLO of next 9 sts	(9 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)
☐ **Rows 143 to 158** 143 144 145 146 147 148 149 150 151 152 153 154 155 156 157 158	Ch 1, turn; hdc in BLO of each st across	(10 hdc)
☐ **Row 159**	Ch 1, turn; 2 hdc in BLO of first st, hdc in BLO of next 8 sts, 2 hdc in BLO of last st	(12 hdc)
☐ **Row 160**	Ch 1, turn; 2 hdc in BLO of first st, hdc in BLO of next 10 sts, 2 hdc in BLO of last st	(14 hdc)
☐ **Row 161**	Ch 1, turn; 2 hdc in BLO of first st, hdc in BLO of next 12 sts, 2 hdc in BLO of last st	(16 hdc)
☐ **Row 162**	Ch 1, turn; 2 hdc in BLO of first st, hdc in BLO of next 14 sts, 2 hdc in BLO of last st	(18 hdc)
☐ **Rows 163 to 168** 163 164 165 166 167 168	Ch 1, turn; hdc in BLO of each st across	(18 hdc)
☐ **Row 169**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in BLO of next 16 sts, hdc2tog over next 2 sts	(16 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)
☐ **Row 170**	Ch 1, turn; hdc2tog over next 2 sts, hdc in BLO of next 15 sts	(15 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)
☐ **Row 171**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in BLO of next 14 sts, hdc2tog over next 2 sts	(14 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)
☐ **Row 172**	Ch 1, turn; hdc2tog over next 2 sts, hdc in BLO of next 13 sts	(13 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)
☐ **Row 173**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in BLO of next 12 sts, hdc2tog over next 2 sts	(12 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)
☐ **Rows 174 to 177** 174 175 176 177	Ch 1, turn; hdc in BLO of each st across	(13 hdc)
☐ **Row 178**	Ch 1, turn; hdc2tog over next 2 sts, hdc in BLO of next 9 sts, hdc2tog over next 2 sts	(9 hdc, 2 hdc2tog)
☐ **Row 179**	Ch 1, turn; hdc2tog over next 2 sts, hdc in BLO of next 7 sts, hdc2tog over next 2 sts	(7 hdc, 2 hdc2tog)
☐ **Row 180**	Ch 1, turn; hdc2tog over next 2 sts, hdc in BLO of next 5 sts, hdc2tog over next 2 sts	(5 hdc, 2 hdc2tog)
☐	Fasten off.	

Small plate: make 5

Yarn B, bright orange.

☐ **Start**	With B, ch 7.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(6 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(6 sc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog	(2 sc, 2 sc2tog)
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(4 sc)
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc2tog	(2 sc2tog)

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☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog	(1 sc2tog)
☐	Fasten off, leaving a tail of about 16 in (41 cm) to sew with.	

Medium plate: make 7

Yarn B, bright orange.

☐ **Start**	With B, ch 9.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(8 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(8 sc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog	(4 sc, 2 sc2tog)
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(6 sc)
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog	(2 sc, 2 sc2tog)
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(4 sc)
☐ **Row 7**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc2tog	(2 sc2tog)
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog	(1 sc2tog)
☐	Fasten off, leaving a tail of about 18 in (46 cm) to sew with.	

Large plate: make 6

Yarn B, bright orange.

☐ **Start**	With B, ch 11.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(10 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(10 sc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 6 sts, sc2tog	(6 sc, 2 sc2tog)
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(8 sc)
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog	(4 sc, 2 sc2tog)
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(6 sc)
☐ **Row 7**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog	(2 sc, 2 sc2tog)
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(4 sc)
☐ **Row 9**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc2tog	(2 sc2tog)
☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog	(1 sc2tog)
☐	Fasten off, leaving a tail of about 20 in (51 cm) to sew with.	

Leg: make 4

Yarn A, dino green.

☐ **Start**	With A, ch 10.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(9 sc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 5**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(9 sc)

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☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog	(5 sc, 2 sc2tog)
☐ **Rows 7 to 10** 7 8 9 10	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(7 sc)
☐ **Row 11**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in first st, sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in last st	(9 sc)
☐ **Row 12**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(9 sc)
☐ **Row 13**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog	(5 sc, 2 sc2tog)
☐	Fasten off, leaving a tail of about 20 in (51 cm) to sew with.	

Eye: make 2

☐ **Start**	With D, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Round 1**	Ch 1, 6 sc in ring; pull the tail to close it; join with sl st in first sc	(6 sc)
☐ **Round 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(12 sc)
☐ **Round 3**	With C, ch 1, **[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(18 sc)
☐	Fasten off, leaving a tail of about 26 in (66 cm) to sew with.	

Assembly

1. Weave in the ends of the dinosaur, on every plate and leg the end it was begun with, and on the wrong side of each eye all its ends but the long tail of C.

2. Back: lay the dinosaur flat with its right side up and the tail to the left. The long edge that is away from you is the back, the one toward you is the belly. The 18 plates stand along the back, right side up, each with its foundation chain along the edge. A small plate takes 5 row ends, a medium one 7 and a large one 8, and 2 row ends are left free between two plates. From the tail to the head: the small ones on rows 12 to 16 and 19 to 23; the medium ones on rows 26 to 32, 35 to 41, 44 to 50 and 53 to 59; the large ones on rows 62 to 69, 72 to 79, 82 to 89, 92 to 99, 102 to 109 and 112 to 119; the medium ones again on rows 122 to 128, 131 to 137 and 140 to 146; the small ones again on rows 149 to 153, 156 to 160 and 163 to 167, where the last plate stands on the head. Pin them all before you sew.

3. Thread the tail of a plate and run it down the side edge of the plate to its foundation chain. Whip stitch the foundation chain to the row ends, one stitch in each chain. Small plate: 6 stitches, 2 in the first row end and 1 in each of the other 4. Medium plate: 8 stitches, 2 in the first row end and 1 in each of the other 6. Large plate: 10 stitches, 2 in the first row end, 2 in the last and 1 in each of the other 6. Fasten off at the end. Sew on all the plates in the same way.

4. Legs: they hang from the belly, right side up, each with its foundation chain along 8 row ends: rows 39 to 46 and rows 52 to 59 for the hind legs, rows 113 to 120 and rows 126 to 133 for the front legs. Run the tail down the side edge of the leg to its foundation chain and whip stitch the 9 chains to the 8 row ends, 2 stitches in the first row end and 1 in each of the other 7. Fasten off at the end.

5. Claws: cut 4 lengths of C, each about 18 in (46 cm) long, one for each leg. On the right side of the foot make 3 straight stitches side by side, each 2 rows long, from the top of row 11 to the top of row 13: the first from the 3rd of the 9 sts of row 11 to the 2nd of the 7 sts of row 13, the second from the 5th to the 4th, the third from the 7th to the 6th.

6. Eyes: one on each side of the head. On the right side the middle of the eye is on row 166, over the 13th st from the belly edge. Sew it down with its tail, one stitch in each of the 18 sc. Sew the other eye to the wrong side, at the same place. Take care that no stitch shows through on the other side.

7. Smile: for each side cut a length of D about 40 in (102 cm) long, thread it and bring its two ends together, so that you sew with the yarn double. The line is 9 backstitches, each one row long, from a stitch of one row to a stitch of the row before it. Count the sts of a row from the belly edge. The line begins at the 4th st of row 180, the middle of the blunt end of the snout, goes on through the 4th st of rows 179 and 178, the 5th st of rows 177, 176, 175, 174 and 173

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and the 6th st of row 172, and ends at the 7th st of row 171. The last 2 backstitches turn up toward the eye. Make the same on the other side.

8. Nostrils: for each side cut a length of D about 12 in (30 cm) long. On row 179 make 2 straight stitches, one on top of the other and each one row long, over the 3rd st from the back edge. Make the same on the other side.

Finishing

- Weave in the ends that are left.
- Lay the scarf flat, dampen it, pull it gently to its length and let it dry.

In all: 25 pieces; 3,448 stitches (2,214 in the dinosaur, 23 in each small plate, 39 in each medium plate, 59 in each large plate, 105 in each leg, 36 in each eye).

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, with 15 percent added.

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, the one right below the hook.
- BLO is the back loop only: the loop of the stitch that is farther from you. The loops left free make the ridges.
- The right side of the dinosaur is the side that faces you in row 1. It is worked from the tip of the tail to the snout.
- "2 hdc in BLO of first st" puts both stitches in that one loop. hdc2tog is worked under both loops of each stitch: [yo, insert hook in the next st, yo, pull up a loop] 2 times, yo, pull through all 5 loops on hook. sc2tog: [insert hook in the next st, yo, pull up a loop] 2 times, yo, pull through all 3 loops on hook.
- Magic ring: wind the yarn once round two fingers, put the hook through the ring, pull up a loop. The ch 1 that begins round 1 holds this loop: work it once, and it does not count as a stitch. Work the sc of round 1 into the ring, over both strands, and pull the tail to close the ring.
- In rounds 2 and 3 of the eye the ch 1 does not count as a stitch either: the first sc goes into the same st as the joining sl st. Do not turn at the end of a round: the right side faces you all the way.
- To change yarn in the eye, make the joining sl st at the end of round 2 with the new yarn, and cut the old one; leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) on both.
- Leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) when you begin and when you fasten off, unless another length is given. The ends that are not sewn with are woven in.
- When a ball runs out, join the next at the end of a row: work the last yarn over of the last stitch with the new yarn, and leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) on both.
- Whip stitch: pass the yarn needle under the two strands at the edge of a row end and under both loops, or the two free strands, of the stitch or chain that lies against it, and pull the yarn through. Do the same in the next place.
- Straight stitch: one long stitch. Bring the needle up where it begins and down where it ends.
- Backstitch: bring the needle up one stitch ahead and down again at the end of the stitch before it. Begin the first one by bringing the needle up at its far end and down where the line begins.
- A scarf is for a child who is awake and watched: take it off for sleep, in a car seat and on the playground.
- Buy whole balls from one dye lot.

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