Christmas cup sleeve

Standard · US terms



Finished size
About 9¾ in (25 cm) around by 3½ in (9 cm) tall
To fit for a cup about 10 in (25 cm) around where the sleeve sits

Skill
Easy
Working in the third loop

Yarn
Medium (4), 3 colors

Hook
5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge
14 stitches and 14 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In third loop half double.

You will need

Yarn A: cranberry, main	**about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: warm white, stripe	**about 7 yd (6 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: pine, stripe	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8). Also: a yarn needle, scissors and a 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 of this size at this gauge, with 15 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Fits	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Standard (this file)	**for a cup about 10 in (25 cm) around where the sleeve sits**	**9¾ in (25 cm) around, 3½ in (9 cm) tall**	**about 42 yd (38 m)**
Wide	for a cup about 11 in (28 cm) around where the sleeve sits	10¾ in (27 cm) around, 3½ in (9 cm) tall	about 42 yd (38 m)

Abbreviations

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

ch chain stitch
sl st slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
hdc half double crochet (UK htr, half treble)
Rnd round
st stitch

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Gauge

14 stitches and 14 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in third loop half double.

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.

Before you start

- The ch 1 at the start of a round does not count as a stitch.
- The third loop of a half double crochet is the bar behind its two top loops. Working into it pushes the top loops forward as a row of braids.
- To change yarn between rounds, make the joining sl st with the new yarn: put the hook in the first stitch, take the new yarn over the hook and pull it through. Cut the old yarn, leaving a tail of about 6 in (15 cm), and leave a tail of the same length on the new yarn.
- 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.
- In joined rounds, the first stitch of a round goes into the same stitch as the joining sl st (in round 1, the same chain). The joining sl st itself is not a stitch and is not worked into.
- The sleeve is a closed ring: it is for a cup without a handle. Measure around the cup halfway up.

Instructions

Chosen: Standard. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a round is done. In UK terms sl st is slip stitch and hdc is half treble.

Yarns in order of use: A, cranberry; B, warm white; C, pine.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 34, join with sl st in first ch to make a loop, without twisting the chain.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1, hdc in each ch around; join with sl st in first hdc	**(34 hdc)**
☐ **Rnds 2 to 4**	Ch 1, hdc in third loop of each st around; join with sl st in first hdc	**(34 hdc)**

A box for each round, 2 to 4: tick them off as you go.

☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4

Stripe in B, warm white

☐ **Rnd 5**	With B, ch 1, hdc in third loop of each st around; join with sl st in first hdc	**(34 hdc)**

Stripe in C, pine

☐ **Rnd 6**	With C, ch 1, hdc in third loop of each st around; join with sl st in first hdc	**(34 hdc)**
☐ **Rnds 7 to 8**	Ch 1, hdc in third loop of each st around; join with sl st in first hdc	**(34 hdc)**

A box for each round, 7 to 8: tick them off as you go.

☐ 7 ☐ 8

Stripe in B, warm white

☐ **Rnd 9**	With B, ch 1, hdc in third loop of each st around; join with sl st in first hdc	**(34 hdc)**

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Stripe in A, cranberry

☐ **Rnd 10**	With A, ch 1, hdc in third loop of each st around; join with sl st in first hdc	**(34 hdc)**
☐ **Rnds 11 to 12**	Ch 1, hdc in third loop of each st around; join with sl st in first hdc	**(34 hdc)**

A box for each round, 11 to 12: tick them off as you go.

11 12

☐ **End** Fasten off.

Finishing

- Weave in the ends with the yarn needle, changing direction once or twice.

In all: 12 rounds; 408 stitches; 10 ends to weave in.

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