Chunky post rib cowl

Standard · US terms



Finished size
About 24¾ in (63 cm) around by 10 in (25 cm) deep

Skill
Intermediate
Post stitches

Yarn
Bulky (5)

Hook
8 mm (US L-11)

Gauge
12.7 stitches and 5.8 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In front and back post rib.

What you need

Yarn: any one color (terracotta in the picture), bulky (5) **about 140 yd (128 m), an estimate**
By weight: about 110 g, an estimate, where 100 g is 130 yd (119 m).
Hook: 8 mm (US L-11), or the size that gives you the gauge. 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. Buy them from one dye lot. The estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge, with 15 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Standard (this file)	**24¾ in (63 cm) around, 10 in (25 cm) deep**	**about 140 yd (128 m)**
Tall	24¾ in (63 cm) around, 12 in (30 cm) deep	about 160 yd (146 m)

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Gauge

12.7 stitches and 5.8 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in front and back post rib.

To check yours in the middle of the test piece: six repeats of the bracketed group side by side (12 foundation chains' worth) are about 3.8 in (9.6 cm) wide, and 6 rows are about 4.1 in (10.5 cm) tall. Use any hook that gives you this. If you count more stitches than this in 4 in (10 cm), change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, to a smaller one.

> **The swatch.** A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. The test piece is not counted: undo it when you have measured it and use its yarn again.
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> | **Swatch foundation** | Ch 22. | |
> | **Swatch row 1 (RS)** | Dc in 4th ch from hook (skipped chs count as dc) and in each ch across | (20 dc) |
> | **Swatch rows 2 to 9** | Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**FPdc around next st, BPdc around next st**] 9 times**, dc in top of turning ch | (2 dc, 9 FPdc, 9 BPdc) |

Notes

- The ch 3 at the start of a row counts as a dc. The last stitch of the next row is worked into the top of it. In row 2 that is the top one of the 3 chains skipped at the start of row 1.
- Row 1 is the right side.
- Leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) when you begin, and weave it in at the end with the others.
- Whip stitch: with the yarn on a yarn needle, pass the needle under both loops of a stitch on one edge and under both loops of the stitch that lies against it on the other edge, and pull the yarn through. Do the same in the next stitch of each edge. On a foundation chain edge, pass the needle under the strands of each chain that lie below row 1.
- For another width, add or take away 2 chains at a time: each 2 chains adds one more repeat of each bracketed group, and 2 more stitches to a row that has no brackets. Measure your own gauge first.
- Buy whole balls from one dye lot.

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Instructions

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ch chain, **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **st** stitch.
FPdc round the stitch below, from the front, **BPdc** round the stitch below, from the back, **yo** yarn over the hook, **RS** right side, the one that shows.
[ ] 15 times: work what is inside 15 times in all.
(32 dc): the stitches you have when the row is done. **How to read a pattern**.

The 36 rows below make a strip about 24¾ in (63 cm) long. Before you sew it, check that it goes over the head easily when its ends meet. For another length, work fewer or more rows in the same order.

Check your width as you go: when row 6 is done, measure the width, across the middle of the rows and not along the chain edge. It is about 10 in (25 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.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 34.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Dc in 4th ch from hook (skipped chs count as dc) and in each ch across	(32 dc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 36**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**FPdc around next st, BPdc around next st**] 15 times**, dc in top of turning ch	(2 dc, 15 FPdc, 15 BPdc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of about 40 in (102 cm) to sew the seam with.	

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

Assembly

1. Lay the strip flat with its right side down. Bring the last row round to lie against the foundation chain, without twisting the strip. The right side is on the outside of the ring.

2. With the long tail, whip stitch the last row to the foundation chain, easing the two edges to fit: about 32 stitches.

Finishing

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

In all: 36 rows; 1,152 stitches.

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