Chunky third loop ribbed cowl

Standard · US terms



Finished size
About 25 in (64 cm) around by 10 in (25 cm) deep

Skill
Intermediate
Third loop

Yarn
Bulky (5)

Hook
8 mm (US L-11)

Gauge
10 stitches and 8½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In half double crochet in the third loop.

You will need

Yarn: forest, bulky (5) **about 160 yd (146 m), an estimate**

Hook: 8 mm (US L-11). 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	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Standard (this file)	**25 in (64 cm) around, 10 in (25 cm) deep**	**about 160 yd (146 m)**
Tall	25 in (64 cm) around, 12 in (30 cm) deep	about 190 yd (174 m)

Abbreviations

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

ch chain stitch
hdc half double crochet (UK htr, half treble)
RS right side
st stitch

Gauge

10 stitches and 8½ rows to 4 in (10 cm) in half double crochet in the third loop.

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.

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Before you start

- The ch 2 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.
- Row 1 is the right side.
- The third loop of a half double crochet is the bar just below its two top loops. After you turn, it lies on the side facing you.
- Leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) when you begin, and weave it in at the end with the others.
- 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: 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 lower strands of each chain that holds a stitch of row 1.
- For another width, chain more or fewer: each chain adds one stitch to every row. Measure your own stitches to 4 in (10 cm) first.
- The test piece takes about 25 yd (23 m), which the amounts do not count. Unravel it when you have measured it and use its yarn, or buy that much more.

Instructions

Chosen: Standard. 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 hdc is half treble.

The 53 rows below make a strip about 25 in (64 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 9 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 27.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Hdc in 3rd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(25 hdc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 53**	Ch 2, turn; hdc in third loop of each st across	**(25 hdc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 53: tick them off as you go.

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

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of about 40 in (102 cm) to sew the seam with.	

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, stitch for stitch: 25 stitches.

Finishing

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

In all: 53 rows; 1,325 stitches; 2 ends to weave in.

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