Cocoon cardigan with ribbed cuffs

M to L · US terms



Finished size
About 47¼ in (120 cm) at the bust and about 31¼ in (79.5 cm) long

Skill
Easy
Five rectangles, straight seams, post stitch ribs

Yarn
Medium (4), 2 colors

Hook
5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge
13 stitches and 10½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In puff stitch.

What you need

Yarn A: heather sage, main color — **about 1,525 yd (1,394 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: dark sage, contrast — **about 350 yd (320 m), an estimate**
By weight: about 940 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	Yarn, an estimate	Bust	Length	Around the hem rib (no bands)	Lower edge	Front band width	Armhole depth	Sleeve	Sleeve around	Cuff around	Back neck (before the band)
XS to S	about 1,550 yd (1,417 m)	40 in (101.5 cm)	29¾ in (75.5 cm)	26½ in (67.5 cm)	33½ in (85 cm)	3½ in (9 cm)	8 in (20.5 cm)	17½ in (44.5 cm)	16¼ in (41.5 cm)	8 in (20.5 cm)	9½ in (24 cm)
M to L (this file)	**about 1,875 yd (1,715 m)**	**47¼ in (120 cm)**	**31¼ in (79.5 cm)**	**32 in (81.5 cm)**	**39 in (99 cm)**	**3½ in (9 cm)**	**9¼ in (23.5 cm)**	**17½ in (44.5 cm)**	**18¼ in (46.5 cm)**	**8½ in (21.5 cm)**	**9½ in (24 cm)**
1X to 2X	about 2,175 yd (1,989 m)	54¾ in (139 cm)	32 in (81.5 cm)	38¼ in (97 cm)	45¼ in (115 cm)	3½ in (9 cm)	10¾ in (27.5 cm)	16¾ in (42.5 cm)	21¼ in (54 cm)	9¼ in (23.5 cm)	9½ in (24 cm)
3X to 5X	about 2,600 yd (2,377 m)	67 in (170 cm)	32¾ in (83 cm)	48 in (122 cm)	55 in (139.5 cm)	3½ in (9 cm)	12¼ in (31 cm)	15¼ in (38.5 cm)	24¼ in (61.5 cm)	9¾ in (25 cm)	9½ in (24 cm)

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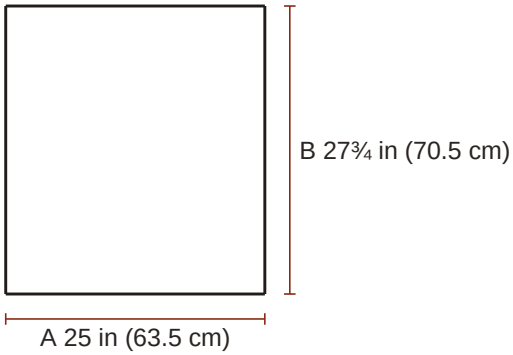
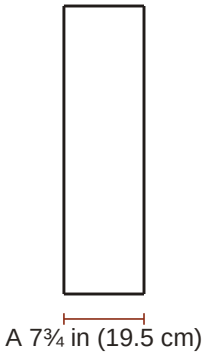
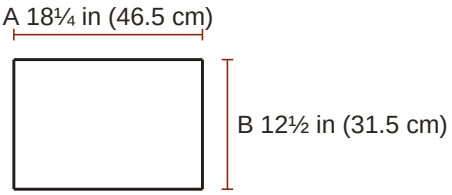
Schematic



Back
A the width
B from top to bottom



Front (make 2)
A each front



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

Gauge

13 stitches and 10½ rows to 4 in (10 cm) in puff stitch.

Count each puff 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. Row 2: Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, [puff in next st, hdc in next st] 9 times. Row 3: Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across. Rows 4 to 15: Repeat Rows 2 and 3, 6 more times. Row 16: Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, [puff in next st, hdc in next st] 9 times. The swatch of 16 rows is about 5¾ in (14.5 cm) wide and 6 in (15 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. Ribs of post stitches: 13 sts and about 7.5 rows to 4 in (10 cm). Single crochet rows: about 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm); double crochet rows: about 7 rows to 4 in (10 cm).

Notes

- Women's sizes, four of them, each for a range.
- A cocoon cardigan hangs loosely and is meant to be worn open. Choose by the size you are and by the finished measurement you like; no fit is promised beyond the measurements given.
- The chain at the start of a row or round never counts as a stitch (ch 1 for single crochet, ch 2 for double crochet). Work the first stitch into the stitch at its base, unless the row says where it goes.
- The five pieces, the hem rib and the front band are worked in rows, and their odd-numbered rows are right side rows; mark the right side of each piece with a stitch marker or a scrap of yarn. The cuffs are worked in rounds with the right side always facing you.
- For the ribs, work around the post (the upright part) of the stitch below, not into its top.
- A decrease counts as one stitch.
- Sew the seams with the yarn needle and yarn A: cut a length about three times as long as the seam.
- To work a post stitch around a dc2tog, take the hook around both of its legs together.
- To fit bust 37 to 41 in (94 to 104 cm).

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Instructions

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ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **hdc** half double crochet (UK half treble), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **Rnd** round, **st** stitch.
RS right side, the one that shows.
[ ] 40 times: work what is inside 40 times in all.
(81 sc): the stitches you have when the row is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Special stitches

sc2tog (single crochet 2 stitches together (UK double crochet 2 together)): Insert the hook in the next stitch and pull up a loop, insert the hook in the following stitch and pull up a loop (3 loops on the hook); yarn over and pull through all 3 loops.

dc2tog (double crochet 2 stitches together (UK treble 2 together)): [yarn over, insert the hook in the next stitch and pull up a loop, yarn over and pull through 2 loops] twice (3 loops on the hook); yarn over and pull through all 3 loops.

fpdc (front post double crochet (UK front post treble)): Yarn over, insert the hook from the front to the back and to the front again around the post of the stitch named, pull up a loop, [yarn over and pull through 2 loops] twice. The front is the side that faces you. A post stitch takes the place of the stitch it is worked around: do not work into the top of that stitch as well.

bpdc (back post double crochet (UK back post treble)): As fpdc, but insert the hook from the back to the front and to the back again around the post.

puff (puff stitch): Yarn over, insert the hook in the stitch or space named, yarn over and pull up a tall loop; do this 3 times in the same place (7 loops on the hook); yarn over and pull through all 7 loops.

Back

Yarn A, heather sage.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn A, ch 82.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(81 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, **[**puff in next st, hdc in next st**] 40 times**	(41 hdc, 40 puffs)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(81 sc)
☐ **Rows 4 to 73**	Repeat Rows 2 and 3, 35 more times	(81 sc)

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 70 71 72 73

☐ **End**	The back measures about 25 in (63.5 cm) wide and 27¾ in (70.5 cm) long. The foundation chain is its lower edge. Fasten off.	

Front: make 2

Yarn A, heather sage.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn A, ch 26.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(25 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, **[**puff in next st, hdc in next st**] 12 times**	(13 hdc, 12 puffs)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(25 sc)

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☐ **Rows 4 to 73**	Repeat Rows 2 and 3, 35 more times	(25 sc)

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 70 71 72 73

☐ **End**	The two fronts are the same. A front measures about 7¾ in (19.5 cm) wide. Fasten off.	

Sleeve: make 2

Yarn A, heather sage.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn A, ch 60.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, **[**puff in next st, hdc in next st**] 29 times**	(30 hdc, 29 puffs)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Rows 4 to 33**	Repeat Rows 2 and 3, 15 more times	(59 sc)

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

☐ **End**	The foundation chain is the lower edge of the sleeve and the last row is its top edge. The sleeve measures about 18¼ in (46.5 cm) wide and 12½ in (32 cm) long. Fasten off.	

Hem rib

Yarn B, dark sage.

☐ **Foundation**	Work this at step 5 of Assembly. With the right side of the body facing and its lower edge at the top, join yarn B in the first ch at the right-hand end, the front corner of the left front (as worn); ch 1, sc in each of the 25 chs of the left front, the 81 chs of the back and the 25 chs of the right front, along the free side of the chains (131 sc). This is row 1.	
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 2, turn; **[**dc in next 2 sts, dc2tog**] 4 times**, **[**dc in next 3 sts, dc2tog**] 23 times**	(104 dc)
☐ **Rows 3 to 7**	Ch 2, turn; **[**fpdc around next st, bpdc around next st**] 52 times**	(52 fpdcs, 52 bpdcs)

3 4 5 6 7

☐ **End**	Row 2 draws the lower edge in, so that the body rounds above the rib. Fasten off.	

Cuff: make 2, one on each sleeve

Yarn B, dark sage.

☐ **Foundation**	Work this at step 6 of Assembly. With the right side facing and the lower edge of a sleeve at the top, join yarn B in the first ch after the sleeve seam; ch 1, sc in each of the 59 chs, along the free side of the foundation chain (59 sc); join with sl st in first sc. This is rnd 1.	
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1; **[**sc2tog**] 28 times**, sc in next st, sc2tog; join with sl st in first sc2tog	(30 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1; [sc in next 13 sts, sc2tog] twice; join with sl st in first sc	(28 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 2; dc in each st around; join with sl st in first dc	(28 dc)

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☐ **Rnds 5 to 11**	Ch 2; **[**fpdc around next st, bpdc around next st**] 14 times**; join with sl st in first fpdc	(14 fpdcs, 14 bpdcs)

5 6 7 8 9 10 11

☐ **End**	Rnds 2 and 3 gather the sleeve. Fasten off.	

Front band

Yarn B, dark sage.

☐ **Foundation**	Work this at step 7 of Assembly. With the right side facing, join yarn B at the lower corner of the hem rib on the right front (as worn); ch 1, 2 sc in the end of each of the last 6 rows of the hem rib and sc in the end of its row 1 (13 sc), sc in the end of each of the 73 rows of the right front, up to the shoulder, with 2 sc in the 3rd, 7th, 11th, 16th, 20th, 24th, 28th, 33rd, 37th, 41st, 46th, 50th, 54th, 58th, 63rd, 67th and 71st of them (90 sc), sc in each of the 31 sts of the back neck, but pass over the 16th of them (30 sc), sc in the end of each of the 73 rows of the left front, down from the shoulder, with 2 sc in the 3rd, 7th, 11th, 16th, 20th, 24th, 28th, 33rd, 37th, 41st, 46th, 50th, 54th, 58th, 63rd, 67th and 71st of them (90 sc), sc in the end of row 1 of the hem rib and 2 sc in the end of each of its other 6 rows (13 sc); 236 sc in all. This is row 1.	
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 2, turn; dc in each st across	(236 dc)
☐ **Rows 3 to 7**	Ch 2, turn; **[**fpdc around next st, bpdc around next st**] 118 times**	(118 fpdcs, 118 bpdcs)

3 4 5 6 7

☐ **End**	The band is about 3½ in (9 cm) wide. Fasten off.	

Assembly

1. Shoulders: lay the fronts on the back with right sides together and the side edges level. Sew the 25 sts of the last row of each front to the 25 sts at that end of the back, stitch to stitch. The middle 31 sts of the back stay open for the neck.

2. Markers: at each side edge of the back and of the fronts, place a marker in the end of row 50. The 24 rows from the marker to the shoulder seam, about 9¼ in (23.5 cm), are half of the armhole.

3. Sleeves: with right sides together, put the middle one of the 59 sts of the top edge of a sleeve at a shoulder seam and its two ends at the markers. Sew the top edge on: 29 sts to the 24 row ends of the front and 29 sts to the 24 row ends of the back, about 6 sts to every 5 row ends.

4. Sides and sleeves: fold the cardigan at the shoulders, right sides together. Sew each sleeve seam from the lower edge of the sleeve to the underarm, and go on down the side seam, row end to row end, to the lower edge.

5. Hem rib: work it now, as written above.

6. Cuff: work one on each sleeve now, as written above.

7. Front band: work it now, as written above.

Finishing

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

In all: 5 pieces.

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