Color block long vest

Size M · US terms



Finished size
About 39½ in (100.5 cm) at the bust and about 28½ in (72.5 cm) long
To fit a bust of 37 in (94 cm)

Skill
Easy
Basic stitches, simple shaping and seams.

Yarn
Medium (4), 2 colors

Hook
5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge
13 stitches and 11 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In half double crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: brick, the main color **about 650 yd (594 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: sand, the second color **about 450 yd (411 m), an estimate**
Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9). Also: yarn needle, scissors, tape measure, stitch markers and pins.

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.

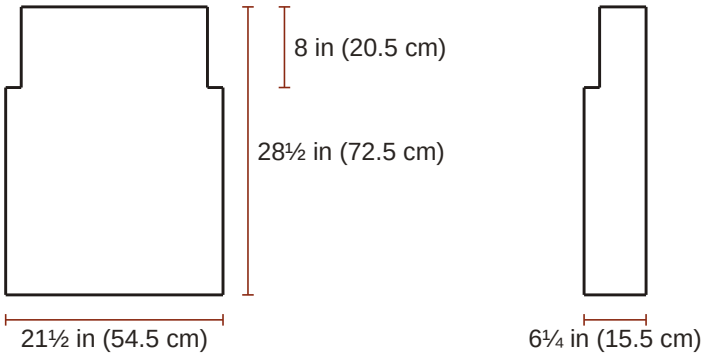
Sizes

Size	To fit bust	Bust	Length	Armhole depth	Back neck	Yarn, an estimate
XS	29 in (73.5 cm)	30¾ in (78 cm)	28½ in (72.5 cm)	7¼ in (18.5 cm)	9¼ in (23.5 cm)	about 850 yd (777 m)
Size S	33 in (84 cm)	35¾ in (91 cm)	28½ in (72.5 cm)	7¼ in (18.5 cm)	9¼ in (23.5 cm)	about 1,000 yd (915 m)
Size M (this file)	**37 in (94 cm)**	**39½ in (100.5 cm)**	**28½ in (72.5 cm)**	**8 in (20.5 cm)**	**9¼ in (23.5 cm)**	**about 1,100 yd (1,005 m)**
Size L	41 in (104 cm)	43 in (109 cm)	28½ in (72.5 cm)	8¾ in (22 cm)	9¼ in (23.5 cm)	about 1,200 yd (1,097 m)
1X	45 in (114.5 cm)	46¾ in (118.5 cm)	28½ in (72.5 cm)	8¾ in (22 cm)	9¼ in (23.5 cm)	about 1,300 yd (1,189 m)
2X	49 in (124.5 cm)	51¾ in (131.5 cm)	28½ in (72.5 cm)	9½ in (24 cm)	9¼ in (23.5 cm)	about 1,450 yd (1,326 m)
3X	53 in (134.5 cm)	54¾ in (139 cm)	28½ in (72.5 cm)	10¼ in (26 cm)	9¾ in (25 cm)	about 1,500 yd (1,371 m)

For your own crochet, gifts and handmade pieces you sell. Do not resell or share this PDF.

4X	57 in (145 cm)	58½ in (148.5 cm)	28½ in (72.5 cm)	10¼ in (26 cm)	9¾ in (25 cm)	about 1,600 yd (1,463 m)
5X	61 in (155 cm)	62¼ in (158 cm)	28½ in (72.5 cm)	11 in (28 cm)	9¾ in (25 cm)	about 1,700 yd (1,555 m)

Schematic



Back **Front (make 2)**

Abbreviations

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

ch chain
sl st slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
hdc half double crochet (UK htr, half treble)
st stitch
rnd round
RS right side

Gauge

13 stitches and 11 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in half double crochet.

Ribs: worked sideways, 14 rows and 13 sts to 4 in (10 cm), so a rib of 8 sts is about 2½ in (6.5 cm) deep.

> **The swatch.** A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. Ch 21; begin in the 2nd ch from the hook and work 16 rows of half double crochet on 20 sts, about 6¼ in (16 cm) wide and 5¾ in (14.5 cm) high, and 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: worked sideways, 14 rows and 13 sts to 4 in (10 cm), so a rib of 8 sts is about 2½ in (6.5 cm) deep.

Before you start

- Women's sizes.
- The finished bust is from 1¼ in (3 cm) to 2¾ in (7 cm) wider than the body measurement, by the size. It is meant to be worn open. Choose by the finished measurement you like; no fit is promised beyond the measurements given.
- In back loop only: insert the hook under the loop of the stitch that is farther from you, and leave the nearer loop free.

For your own crochet, gifts and handmade pieces you sell. Do not resell or share this PDF.

- The turning chain (ch 1 for single and half double crochet) never counts as a stitch. Work the first stitch of every row into the first stitch, at the base of the turning chain.
- The chain at the start of a round never counts as a stitch. Work the first stitch of the round into the stitch at its base, where the round was joined.
- Odd-numbered rows are right side rows (for the fronts, go by the words at their head). Mark the right side of each piece with a stitch marker or a scrap of yarn.
- The ribs are worked sideways in back-loop single crochet (UK: double crochet). The body is worked up from a long edge, one stitch in the end of each rib row. The rib draws in: it is a little narrower than the body above it.
- Stitches worked evenly along row ends: about 7 sc in every 6 rows.
- Sew every seam with the yarn needle and yarn A.
- Color changes in rows: work the last yarn over of the last stitch of the row before with the new yarn. Cut the old yarn, leaving an end of about 6 in (15 cm), or, if it is needed again at the same edge within 6 rows and that edge is straight, carry it loosely up the edge.

Instructions

Chosen: Size M. 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 sl st is slip stitch, sc is double crochet and hdc is half treble.

Hem rib

Yarn A, brick.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn A, ch 9.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 70**	Ch 1, turn; sc in back loop only of each st across	**(8 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 70: 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 54 55 56 57 58 59
60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70

☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Back

Yarns in order of use: A, brick; B, sand.

Colors: rows 1 to 32 yarn A; rows 33 to 72 yarn B.

☐ **Foundation**	Hold the hem rib with one long edge at the top. Join yarn A at the right-hand end of that edge.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, sc in the end of each rib row across	**(70 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 32**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	**(70 hdc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 32: 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

☐ **Rows 33 to 50**	**Yarn B.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	**(70 hdc)**

A box for each row, 33 to 50: tick them off as you go.

33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50

☐ **Row 51**	Fasten off and turn. Skip the first 5 sts and join yarn B in the next st; ch 1, and beginning in that st, hdc in next 60 sts, leave the last 5 sts unworked	**(60 hdc)**

For your own crochet, gifts and handmade pieces you sell. Do not resell or share this PDF.

☐ **Rows 52 to 72** Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across **(60 hdc)**

A box for each row, 52 to 72: tick them off as you go.

52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72

☐ **End** The back measures about 21½ in (54.5 cm) wide and 28½ in (72.5 cm) long, and 18½ in (47 cm) across above the armholes. Fasten off.

Front hem rib: make 2, one for each front

Yarn A, brick.

☐ **Foundation** With yarn A, ch 9.

☐ **Row 1 (RS)** Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across **(8 sc)**

☐ **Rows 2 to 20** Ch 1, turn; sc in back loop only of each st across **(8 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 20: 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

☐ **End** Fasten off.

Front: make 2

Yarns in order of use: A, brick; B, sand.

Both fronts are worked from these rows. With the odd-numbered rows on the outside the piece is the left front as worn; turn the second piece over, so that its odd-numbered rows lie on the inside, and it is the right front. When a front is done, mark its outside: in the bands and the finishing 'right side' means the outside.

Colors: rows 1 to 32 yarn A; rows 33 to 72 yarn B.

☐ **Foundation** Hold a front hem rib with one long edge at the top. Join yarn A at the right-hand end of that edge.

☐ **Row 1** Ch 1, sc in the end of each rib row across **(20 sc)**

☐ **Rows 2 to 32** Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across **(20 hdc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 32: 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

☐ **Rows 33 to 50** **Yarn B.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across **(20 hdc)**

A box for each row, 33 to 50: tick them off as you go.

33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50

☐ **Row 51** Fasten off and turn. Skip the first 5 sts and join yarn B in the next st; ch 1, and beginning in that st, hdc in next 15 sts **(15 hdc)**

☐ **Rows 52 to 72** Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across **(15 hdc)**

A box for each row, 52 to 72: tick them off as you go.

52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72

☐ **End** The front measures about 6¼ in (16 cm) wide above the hem rib; the front band adds about 2¾ in (7 cm) to it later (the bust in the size list counts it). All 15 sts of the top edge are the shoulder. Fasten off.

For your own crochet, gifts and handmade pieces you sell. Do not resell or share this PDF.

Armhole edging: make 2

Yarn A, brick.

Work this at step 3 under Assembly.

☐ **Foundation**	With the right side facing, join yarn A at the middle of the underarm.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1, sc in each of the first 5 sts, 26 sc evenly along the 22 row ends up to the shoulder seam, 26 sc evenly along the 22 row ends down the other side, sc in each of the last 5 sts; join with sl st in first sc	**(62 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 2 to 3**	Ch 1; sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	**(62 sc)**

A box for each round, 2 to 3: tick them off as you go.

2 3

☐ **End** Fasten off.

Front band

Yarn A, brick.

☐ **Foundation**	With yarn A, ch 10.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(9 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 232**	Ch 1, turn; sc in back loop only of each st across	**(9 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 232: 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 54 55 56 57 58 59
60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85 86 87 88
89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96 97 98 99 100 101 102 103 104 105 106 107 108 109 110 111 112 113 114 115 116 117
118 119 120 121 122 123 124 125 126 127 128 129 130 131 132 133 134 135 136 137 138 139 140 141 142 143 144 145 146
147 148 149 150 151 152 153 154 155 156 157 158 159 160 161 162 163 164 165 166 167 168 169 170 171 172 173 174 175
176 177 178 179 180 181 182 183 184 185 186 187 188 189 190 191 192 193 194 195 196 197 198 199 200 201 202 203 204
205 206 207 208 209 210 211 212 213 214 215 216 217 218 219 220 221 222 223 224 225 226 227 228 229 230 231 232

☐ **End** The band measures about 2¾ in (7 cm) wide and 66¼ in (168.5 cm) long, unstretched. Fasten off.

Assembly

1. Shoulders: lay the fronts on the back with right sides together and the side edges level. Sew the 15 shoulder sts of each front to the 15 sts at each end of the back, and leave the middle 30 sts of the back open for the neck.

2. Sides: sew each side seam from the underarm down to the hem.

3. Armhole edging: work it now, as written above.

4. Band: pin the middle of one long edge of the band to the middle of the back neck and its two ends to the lower corners of the fronts. Ease it evenly between the pins and sew it on.

Finishing

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

In all: 9 pieces; 10,820 stitches (560 in the hem rib, 4,820 in the back, 160 in each front hem rib, 1,330 in each front, 186 in each armhole edging, 2,088 in the front band); 24 ends to weave in.

Found a mistake in this pattern? Tell us at flossfield.com, under Make a request.

For your own crochet, gifts and handmade pieces you sell. Do not resell or share this PDF.