Comfort prayer shawl

Standard · US terms



Finished size
About 18¼ × 67¾ in (46 × 172 cm)

Skill
Easy
Stripes, skipped stitches, groups in one place

Yarn
Medium (4), 2 colors

Hook
5.5 mm (US I-9)

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

You will need

Yarn A: mauve, main **about 1,125 yd (1,029 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: ivory, contrast **about 80 yd (73 m), an estimate**
Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9). Also: yarn needle, a stiff card 5 in (13 cm) long for the fringe, scissors and 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 and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added. To measure your own: work the swatch and measure it, mark the yarn where the swatch begins and ends, pull the swatch out and measure the yarn it took; divide by the area of the swatch and multiply by the area of the piece.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Standard (this file)	**18¼ × 67¾ in (46 × 172 cm)**	**about 1,205 yd (1,102 m)**
Wide	21¾ × 72 in (55 × 183 cm)	about 1,520 yd (1,390 m)

Abbreviations

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

ch chain stitch
sc single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
dc double crochet (UK tr, treble)
RS right side
sk skip
st stitch

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Gauge

13 stitches and 10½ rows to 4 in (10 cm) in suzette stitch. Along a row, count every stitch and every chain between stitches as one.

To count your gauge in the middle of the test piece: a row has no chains between its stitches.

The pattern also stops you to measure after row 8.

> **The swatch.** A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. The test piece is about 6½ in (17 cm) wide and 6 in (15 cm) tall, so that you can count over 4 in (10 cm) in the middle of it.
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> | **Swatch foundation** | With A, ch 22. |
> | **Swatch row 1 (RS)** | (Sc, dc) in 2nd ch from hook, sk next ch, **[**(sc, dc) in next ch, sk next ch**] 9 times**, sc in next ch **(11 sc, 10 dc)** |
> | **Swatch rows 2 to 16** | Ch 1, turn; (sc, dc) in first st, sk next st, **[**(sc, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 9 times**, sc in last st **(11 sc, 10 dc)** |

For another width, add or take away 2 chains at a time: each 2 chains adds one more repeat of the bracketed group. Measure your own gauge first.

Before you start

- The ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch: the first stitch of the row goes into the first st of the row below.
- Row 1 is the right side.
- Stitches in parentheses, or several of one stitch, are all worked into the one place named after them.
- Change yarn in the last yarn over of the last stitch of the row before.
- Cut a yarn when its stripe is done, leaving a tail of about 6 in (15 cm), and work over the tails as you go or weave them in at the end. The estimates include the tails.
- Leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) when you begin, and weave it in at the end with the others. Join a new ball at the end of a row, with the same tails: each join adds two ends.
- The size is without the fringe. The fringe takes 19 tassels on each short end, 114 strands in all: about 32 yd (29 m) of yarn A. The estimate includes it; if you measure your own, add it.

Instructions

Chosen: Standard. Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. Round brackets ( ) inside a line hold stitches that all go into one place. 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 sc is double crochet and dc is treble.

Yarn A, mauve.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 60.
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	(Sc, dc) in 2nd ch from hook, sk next ch, **[**(sc, dc) in next ch, sk next ch**] 28 times**, sc in next ch **(30 sc, 29 dc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 6**	Ch 1, turn; (sc, dc) in first st, sk next st, **[**(sc, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 28 times**, sc in last st **(30 sc, 29 dc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 6: tick them off as you go.

2 3 4 5 6

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☐ **Row 7**	With B, ch 1, turn; (sc, dc) in first st, sk next st, **[**(sc, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 28 times**, sc in last st	**(30 sc, 29 dc)**
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn; (sc, dc) in first st, sk next st, **[**(sc, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 28 times**, sc in last st	**(30 sc, 29 dc)**

> **Stop and measure now, after row 8.** Width, across the middle of the rows and not along the chain edge: about 18¼ in (46 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.

☐ **Row 9**	With A, ch 1, turn; (sc, dc) in first st, sk next st, **[**(sc, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 28 times**, sc in last st	**(30 sc, 29 dc)**
☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn; (sc, dc) in first st, sk next st, **[**(sc, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 28 times**, sc in last st	**(30 sc, 29 dc)**
☐ **Row 11**	With B, ch 1, turn; (sc, dc) in first st, sk next st, **[**(sc, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 28 times**, sc in last st	**(30 sc, 29 dc)**
☐ **Row 12**	Ch 1, turn; (sc, dc) in first st, sk next st, **[**(sc, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 28 times**, sc in last st	**(30 sc, 29 dc)**
☐ **Row 13**	With A, ch 1, turn; (sc, dc) in first st, sk next st, **[**(sc, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 28 times**, sc in last st	**(30 sc, 29 dc)**
☐ **Row 14**	Ch 1, turn; (sc, dc) in first st, sk next st, **[**(sc, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 28 times**, sc in last st	**(30 sc, 29 dc)**
☐ **Row 15**	With B, ch 1, turn; (sc, dc) in first st, sk next st, **[**(sc, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 28 times**, sc in last st	**(30 sc, 29 dc)**
☐ **Row 16**	Ch 1, turn; (sc, dc) in first st, sk next st, **[**(sc, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 28 times**, sc in last st	**(30 sc, 29 dc)**
☐ **Row 17**	With A, ch 1, turn; (sc, dc) in first st, sk next st, **[**(sc, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 28 times**, sc in last st	**(30 sc, 29 dc)**
☐ **Rows 18 to 162**	Ch 1, turn; (sc, dc) in first st, sk next st, **[**(sc, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 28 times**, sc in last st	**(30 sc, 29 dc)**

A box for each row, 18 to 162: tick them off as you go.

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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

☐ **Row 163**	With B, ch 1, turn; (sc, dc) in first st, sk next st, **[**(sc, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 28 times**, sc in last st	**(30 sc, 29 dc)**
☐ **Row 164**	Ch 1, turn; (sc, dc) in first st, sk next st, **[**(sc, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 28 times**, sc in last st	**(30 sc, 29 dc)**
☐ **Row 165**	With A, ch 1, turn; (sc, dc) in first st, sk next st, **[**(sc, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 28 times**, sc in last st	**(30 sc, 29 dc)**

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☐ **Row 166**	Ch 1, turn; (sc, dc) in first st, sk next st, **[**(sc, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 28 times**, sc in last st	**(30 sc, 29 dc)**
☐ **Row 167**	With B, ch 1, turn; (sc, dc) in first st, sk next st, **[**(sc, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 28 times**, sc in last st	**(30 sc, 29 dc)**
☐ **Row 168**	Ch 1, turn; (sc, dc) in first st, sk next st, **[**(sc, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 28 times**, sc in last st	**(30 sc, 29 dc)**
☐ **Row 169**	With A, ch 1, turn; (sc, dc) in first st, sk next st, **[**(sc, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 28 times**, sc in last st	**(30 sc, 29 dc)**
☐ **Row 170**	Ch 1, turn; (sc, dc) in first st, sk next st, **[**(sc, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 28 times**, sc in last st	**(30 sc, 29 dc)**
☐ **Row 171**	With B, ch 1, turn; (sc, dc) in first st, sk next st, **[**(sc, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 28 times**, sc in last st	**(30 sc, 29 dc)**
☐ **Row 172**	Ch 1, turn; (sc, dc) in first st, sk next st, **[**(sc, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 28 times**, sc in last st	**(30 sc, 29 dc)**
☐ **Row 173**	With A, ch 1, turn; (sc, dc) in first st, sk next st, **[**(sc, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 28 times**, sc in last st	**(30 sc, 29 dc)**
☐ **Rows 174 to 178**	Ch 1, turn; (sc, dc) in first st, sk next st, **[**(sc, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 28 times**, sc in last st	**(30 sc, 29 dc)**

A box for each row, 174 to 178: tick them off as you go.

☐ 174 ☐ 175 ☐ 176 ☐ 177 ☐ 178

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.

Finishing

- Fringe: wind yarn A around the card and cut along one edge, for strands about 10 in (25 cm) long. For each tassel take three strands together, fold them in half, pull the fold through the edge with the hook and pull the ends through the fold. Put one tassel in each end of both short edges and the others between them, about 1 in (2.5 cm) apart. Trim the ends level.
- Weave in the ends.
- Lay the piece flat, pull it gently to its size, dampen it and let it dry.

In all: 178 rows; 10,502 stitches; 26 ends to weave in.

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