Dining chair seat cover with diamonds

Seventeen inch · US terms



Finished size

About 16¾ × 16¾ in (43 × 43 cm)

About 16¾ in (42.5 cm) wide and 16¾ in (42.5 cm) deep across the top, with a skirt 3¼ in (8.5 cm) deep. To fit a square seat 16 in (40.5 cm) to less than 18 in (45.5 cm) wide, 1 in (2.5 cm) to 2 in (5 cm) thick

Skill

Intermediate

The top is single crochet in rows with bobbles in a second color in every other row of its middle; the skirts are plain rows along its edges.

Yarn

Medium (4), 2 colors

Hook

5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge

14 stitches and 16 rows to 4 in (10 cm)

In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn A: ecru, the top **about 300 yd (274 m), an estimate**

Yarn B: harbor blue, the bobbles, the skirts and the ties **about 375 yd (343 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 340 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a safety pin, to thread the elastic, a yarn needle, scissors and round elastic cord 1/8 in (3 mm) thick, 35 in (89 cm) of it.

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 30 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Fits	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Fifteen inch	a square seat 14 in (35.5 cm) to less than 16 in (40.5 cm) wide, 1 in (2.5 cm) to 2 in (5 cm) thick	15¼ × 14¾ in (39 × 37 cm)	about 550 yd (503 m)
Seventeen inch (this file)	**a square seat 16 in (40.5 cm) to less than 18 in (45.5 cm) wide, 1 in (2.5 cm) to 2 in (5 cm) thick**	**16¾ × 16¾ in (43 × 43 cm)**	**about 675 yd (617 m)**

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Nineteen inch	a square seat 18 in (45.5 cm) to 19¾ in (50 cm) wide, 1 in (2.5 cm) to 2 in (5 cm) thick	19¼ × 18¾ in (49 × 48 cm)	about 800 yd (732 m)

Gauge

14 stitches and 16 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

14 stitches and 11 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in half double crochet. The rows of the top are counted over the whole of it, with the rows that have bobbles.

The pattern also stops you to measure after row 16.

> **The swatch.** A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. Lay it flat and count the stitches and rows over 4 in (10 cm) in its middle. There should be 14 stitches and 16 rows. If you count more stitches than that, change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, change to a smaller hook. The swatch can be pulled out and its yarn used again.
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> | **Swatch foundation** | Ch 22. | |
> | **Swatch row 1 (RS)** | Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across | (21 sc) |
> | **Swatch rows 2 to 24** | Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across | (21 sc) |

Notes

- The chain of 1 at the start of a row of single crochet and the chain of 2 at the start of a row of half double crochet (UK half treble) do not count as a stitch.
- A bobble counts as one stitch. In the row after it work one single crochet (UK double crochet) in its top.
- The bobbles are B and all the rest of the top is A. Join B at the beginning of the first row with bobbles. In a row with bobbles draw the new color through as the last yarn over of the stitch before, and lay the color that is not in use along the top of the row before and work over it, so that it is carried inside the stitches. Work over B in the plain rows between in the same way, so that it is at the right end for the next row with bobbles. After the last bobble cut B, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).
- Measure the seat straight across at its widest place and from front to back. Go by the larger of the two. A seat at the top of a size stretches the cover smooth, by about 1 in (2.5 cm). The cover is for a seat with a free edge all round beneath it, and with back posts that stand at its two back corners and are up to 1¼ in (3 cm) thick.
- A loose seat pad is laid on the seat first and the cover goes over it, as long as pad and seat together are not thicker than the size says.

Instructions

Seventeen inch. US terms.

ch chain, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **hdc** half double crochet (UK half treble), **st** stitch.
yo yarn over the hook, **RS** right side, the one that shows.
[ ] 4 times: work what is inside 4 times in all.
(59 sc): the stitches you have when the row is done. **How to read a pattern**.

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Special stitches

bo (Bobble): [yo, insert hook in the place named, yo, pull up a loop, yo, pull through 2 loops] 5 times, yo, pull through all 6 loops on hook. Push it out to the right side.

Top

Yarns in order of use: A, ecru; B, harbor blue.

The bobbles are in the even rows, 4 to 64, which are worked with the wrong side toward you; push each one out to the right side. The lines of bobbles cross and make the diamonds. The last row is the front edge of the cover and the foundation is its back edge.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 60.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(59 sc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 3** 2 3	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 5 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 11 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 4 times**, with A, sc in next 5 sts	(54 sc, 5 bo)
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 7 sts	(51 sc, 8 bo)
☐ **Row 7**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 9 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 9 sts	(51 sc, 8 bo)
☐ **Row 9**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 11 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 11 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 11 sts	(55 sc, 4 bo)
☐ **Row 11**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 12**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 9 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 9 sts	(51 sc, 8 bo)
☐ **Row 13**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 14**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 7 sts	(51 sc, 8 bo)

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☐ **Row 15**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 16**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 5 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 11 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 4 times**, with A, sc in next 5 sts	(54 sc, 5 bo)

> **Stop and measure now, after row 16.** The top should measure about 16¾ in (42.5 cm) from side to side and 4 in (10 cm) from the foundation to the last row.

☐ **Row 17**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 18**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 7 sts	(51 sc, 8 bo)
☐ **Row 19**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 20**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 9 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 9 sts	(51 sc, 8 bo)
☐ **Row 21**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 22**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 11 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 11 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 11 sts	(55 sc, 4 bo)
☐ **Row 23**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 24**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 9 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 9 sts	(51 sc, 8 bo)
☐ **Row 25**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 26**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 7 sts	(51 sc, 8 bo)
☐ **Row 27**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 28**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 5 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 11 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 4 times**, with A, sc in next 5 sts	(54 sc, 5 bo)
☐ **Row 29**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 30**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 7 sts	(51 sc, 8 bo)
☐ **Row 31**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)

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☐ **Row 32**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 9 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 9 sts	(51 sc, 8 bo)
☐ **Row 33**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 34**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 11 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 11 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 11 sts	(55 sc, 4 bo)
☐ **Row 35**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 36**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 9 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 9 sts	(51 sc, 8 bo)
☐ **Row 37**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 38**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 7 sts	(51 sc, 8 bo)
☐ **Row 39**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 40**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 5 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 11 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 4 times**, with A, sc in next 5 sts	(54 sc, 5 bo)
☐ **Row 41**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 42**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 7 sts	(51 sc, 8 bo)
☐ **Row 43**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 44**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 9 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 9 sts	(51 sc, 8 bo)
☐ **Row 45**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 46**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 11 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 11 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 11 sts	(55 sc, 4 bo)
☐ **Row 47**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 48**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 9 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 9 sts	(51 sc, 8 bo)

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☐ **Row 49**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 50**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 7 sts	(51 sc, 8 bo)
☐ **Row 51**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 52**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 5 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 11 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 4 times**, with A, sc in next 5 sts	(54 sc, 5 bo)
☐ **Row 53**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 54**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 7 sts	(51 sc, 8 bo)
☐ **Row 55**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 56**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 9 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 9 sts	(51 sc, 8 bo)
☐ **Row 57**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 58**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 11 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 11 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 11 sts	(55 sc, 4 bo)
☐ **Row 59**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 60**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 9 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 9 sts	(51 sc, 8 bo)
☐ **Row 61**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 62**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, bo in next st, with A, sc in next 7 sts	(51 sc, 8 bo)
☐ **Row 63**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **Row 64**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 5 sts, with B, bo in next st, **[**with A, sc in next 11 sts, with B, bo in next st**] 4 times**, with A, sc in next 5 sts	(54 sc, 5 bo)
☐ **Rows 65 to 67** 65 66 67	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(59 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

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Skirt

Yarn B, harbor blue.

Lay the top flat with its right side up and the front edge (the last row) toward you. Begin at the side edge at your left, at the end of row 12 counted from the back edge, and work toward the front. The ends of rows 1 to 11 at each side stay free. Where row 1 says each st, these places are meant: 7 in every 8 rows along the 56 row ends of the side (1 in the end of each of 7 rows, skip the next row, and so on), 1 in each of the 59 stitches of the front edge, then along the other side from row 67 to row 12, where you skip the first row, work 1 in the end of each of the next 7, and so on.

Work row 1 with nothing extra at the two front corners; the skirt then turns down at the top edge by itself. The first stitch of row 1 goes into the place where the yarn was joined. Work all of the skirt firmly at the corners.

☐ **Foundation**	The side, front and side edges of the top, RS facing; join B in row 12 of one side; 157 places: 49 along a side, 59 along the front, 49 along the other side.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Ch 2, hdc in each st across	(157 hdc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 9**	Ch 2, turn; hdc in each st across 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	(157 hdc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Back skirt

Yarn B, harbor blue.

Hold the top with the right side toward you and the foundation edge up. Skip the first 8 chains at the right, join B with a slip stitch in the next chain, and work the first half double crochet (UK half treble) into that same chain. Where row 1 says each st, 43 chains of the foundation are meant; the last 8 stay free.

☐ **Foundation**	The back edge of the top, RS facing; join B in the ninth chain from its right end; 43 places: the middle chains of the foundation, with 8 chains free at each end.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Ch 2, hdc in each st across	(43 hdc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 9**	Ch 2, turn; hdc in each st across 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	(43 hdc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Tie: make 4

Yarn B, harbor blue.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 49.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(48 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 10 in (25 cm) for sewing.	

Assembly

1. Weave in all the tails on the wrong side, all but the long tails of the four ties.

2. The elastic. Cut a length of 35 in (89 cm) and knot one end. With the safety pin thread it along the last row of the skirt, over two stitches and under two by turns, from one end of the row to the other, the knot on the wrong side. Draw it until the knot sits in the first stitch, pull the other end out by 2 in (5 cm) beyond the last stitch, and knot it there against the fabric. The edge is now gathered; spread the gathers along it.

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3. The ties. Each is sewn on by the end where its long tail hangs. One goes to each end of the skirt and one to each end of the back skirt, which are the four short edges made by the ends of the rows. Turn the cover over so that its wrong side is up. Lay the last 1 in (2.5 cm) of the tie, its right side up, on the skirt along the rows, so that the middle of the tie lies over the line between rows 1 and 2 of the skirt and the rest of it points straight out past the short edge. Sew it down with its long tail. The tie is too narrow to be stitched in from its edge, so the stitches go round its outside: bring the needle up through the skirt close beside the tie, and down through the outermost strand of the tie and the skirt beneath. Work 3 such stitches along one long edge of the part that lies on the skirt, 2 across its end and 3 back along the other long edge. Fasten off on the wrong side.

4. Lay the cover on the seat with the right side up and the back edge at the chair back. At each back corner fold the free corner of the top, 8 stitches by 11 rows, under to its wrong side, along a slanting line from the end of the skirt to the end of the back skirt, so that the fold lies against the post. The back skirt goes down behind the seat between the two posts, and the skirt down the sides and the front. Turn the edge with the elastic in beneath the seat. Tie the two ties at each post in a bow round the post.

Finishing

- Wash the cover as the yarn band says, pull it square and dry it flat.

In all: 5 pieces.

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