# Easy striped ruana

S to M · US terms



Finished size
**About 40 × 25½ in (102 × 65 cm)**

Skill
**Beginner**
Half double crochet, color changes, joining yarn, one long seam

Yarn
**Medium (4), 4 colors**

Hook
**6.5 mm (US K-10½)**

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

## You will need

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| Yarn A: ink, hems, stripes and band | **about 375 yd (343 m), an estimate** |
| Yarn B: oat, main | **about 1,125 yd (1,029 m), an estimate** |
| Yarn C: rust, stripes | **about 300 yd (274 m), an estimate** |
| Yarn D: teal, stripes | **about 250 yd (229 m), an estimate** |

Hook: 6.5 mm (US K-10½), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: yarn needle, scissors, tape measure and about 30 straight pins.

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 and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

## Sizes

| Size | Finished size, about | Yarn, an estimate |
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| **S to M (this file)** | **40 × 25½ in (102 × 65 cm)** | **about 2,050 yd (1,875 m)** |
| **L to XL** | 44¾ × 26½ in (114 × 67 cm) | about 2,350 yd (2,149 m) |
| **2X to 3X** | 49¼ × 27¼ in (125 × 69 cm) | about 2,650 yd (2,423 m) |


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## Abbreviations

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

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| **ch** | chain stitch |
| **sl st** | slip stitch  (UK ss, slip stitch) |
| **hdc** | half double crochet  (UK htr, half treble) |
| **RS** | right side |
| **st** | stitch |
| **BLO** | back loop only |

## Gauge

**12 stitches and 10 rows to 4 in (10 cm)** in half double crochet. Along a row, count every stitch and every chain between stitches as one.

**Check your gauge on the piece.** Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After row 10 the piece, laid flat, is about 4 in (10.2 cm) from the first row to the last. If yours is smaller, use a larger hook; if it is larger, use a smaller one.

Each size in the list is printed in full when it is chosen. For another width chain 2 more or fewer, which is about 0.7 in (1.8 cm), and give one stitch more or fewer to each front; the neck stays 28 stitches. For another length work two rows of yarn B more or fewer before the last row of the back and after the first row of each front, about 0.8 in (2 cm); the band then has 4 rows more or fewer.

## Before you start

- Whip stitch: the two edges lie side by side and touch. Bring the needle up through the one edge, carry the yarn over both edges, put the needle down through the other edge, and come up through the first edge again at the next place.
- The first hdc of a row goes into the first stitch, at the foot of the ch 1.
- BLO means back loop only: work under the back loop of the stitch, the one farther from you. In the band it makes a rib that runs across it.
- A ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.
- Row 1 is a right side row. Turn once between rows: the word "turn" near the start of each row is that turn.
- To change color, work the last stitch of the old color until three loops are left on the hook and draw the new color through them. Cut the old color, leaving a tail of about 6 in (15.2 cm), and fasten in a fresh piece each time: the yarn amounts and the ends to weave in are counted this way.
- Laid flat the ruana is about 40 in (101.6 cm) wide from edge to edge and about 25.6 in (65 cm) from the shoulder to either hem. Each front is about 15.3 in (38.9 cm) wide; the open neck between them is about 9.3 in (23.6 cm) wide before the band is sewn in and the band is about 1.7 in (4.3 cm) wide.
- To choose a size, measure from the middle of the back of your neck over the shoulder and down the arm: the outer edge of the ruana lies about 20 in (50.8 cm) from there. The length is the same at the back and at the fronts.
- Back, 64 rows from the hem to the shoulder: yarn A: rows 1 to 4, 29, 30, 39 and 40; yarn C: rows 7 to 12, 19, 20, 49 and 50; yarn D: rows 15, 16, 33 to 36, 53 and 54; all other rows yarn B.


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- Fronts, 64 rows from the shoulder to the hem: the same stripes in the other order, so that front and back match. Yarn A: rows 25, 26, 35, 36 and 61 to 64; yarn C: rows 15, 16, 45, 46 and 53 to 58; yarn D: rows 11, 12, 29 to 32, 49 and 50; all other rows yarn B.
- The fronts are worked on row 64 of the back, with the right side of the back facing you. First front: the first st is the stitch at the right end of that row (the left end if you are left handed); work over the 46 sts from there. Second front: skip the next 28 sts of the back, which are the neck; the first st is the one after them, and the front takes the last 46 sts. Both fronts are worked from the same lines.

## Instructions

Chosen: S to 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 and hdc is half treble.

### Back

**Yarns in order of use: A, ink; B, oat; C, rust; D, teal.**

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| ☐ **Foundation** | Ch 121. | |
| ☐ **Row 1 (RS)** | Hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across | **(120 hdc)** |
| ☐ **Rows 2 to 4** | Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 118 sts, hdc in last st | **(120 hdc)** |

A box for each row, 2 to 4: tick them off as you go.

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| ☐ **Rows 5 to 6** | **Yarn B.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 118 sts, hdc in last st | **(120 hdc)** |

A box for each row, 5 to 6: tick them off as you go.

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| ☐ **Rows 7 to 12** | **Yarn C.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 118 sts, hdc in last st | **(120 hdc)** |

A box for each row, 7 to 12: tick them off as you go.

7 8 9 10 11 12

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| ☐ **Rows 13 to 14** | **Yarn B.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 118 sts, hdc in last st | **(120 hdc)** |

A box for each row, 13 to 14: tick them off as you go.

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| ☐ **Rows 15 to 16** | **Yarn D.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 118 sts, hdc in last st | **(120 hdc)** |

A box for each row, 15 to 16: tick them off as you go.

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| ☐ **Rows 17 to 18** | **Yarn B.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 118 sts, hdc in last st | **(120 hdc)** |

A box for each row, 17 to 18: tick them off as you go.

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| ☐ **Rows 19 to 20** | **Yarn C.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 118 sts, hdc in last st | **(120 hdc)** |

A box for each row, 19 to 20: tick them off as you go.

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| ☐ **Rows 21 to 28** | **Yarn B.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 118 sts, hdc in last st | **(120 hdc)** |

A box for each row, 21 to 28: tick them off as you go.

21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28


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| ☐ | **Rows 29 to 30** | **Yarn A.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 118 sts, hdc in last st | **(120 hdc)** |

A box for each row, 29 to 30: tick them off as you go.

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| ☐ | **Rows 31 to 32** | **Yarn B.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 118 sts, hdc in last st | **(120 hdc)** |

A box for each row, 31 to 32: tick them off as you go.

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| ☐ | **Rows 33 to 36** | **Yarn D.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 118 sts, hdc in last st | **(120 hdc)** |

A box for each row, 33 to 36: tick them off as you go.

33 34 35 36

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| ☐ | **Rows 37 to 38** | **Yarn B.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 118 sts, hdc in last st | **(120 hdc)** |

A box for each row, 37 to 38: tick them off as you go.

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| ☐ | **Rows 39 to 40** | **Yarn A.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 118 sts, hdc in last st | **(120 hdc)** |

A box for each row, 39 to 40: tick them off as you go.

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| ☐ | **Rows 41 to 48** | **Yarn B.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 118 sts, hdc in last st | **(120 hdc)** |

A box for each row, 41 to 48: tick them off as you go.

41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48

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| ☐ | **Rows 49 to 50** | **Yarn C.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 118 sts, hdc in last st | **(120 hdc)** |

A box for each row, 49 to 50: tick them off as you go.

49 50

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| ☐ | **Rows 51 to 52** | **Yarn B.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 118 sts, hdc in last st | **(120 hdc)** |

A box for each row, 51 to 52: tick them off as you go.

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| ☐ | **Rows 53 to 54** | **Yarn D.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 118 sts, hdc in last st | **(120 hdc)** |

A box for each row, 53 to 54: tick them off as you go.

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| ☐ | **Rows 55 to 64** | **Yarn B.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 118 sts, hdc in last st | **(120 hdc)** |

A box for each row, 55 to 64: tick them off as you go.

55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64

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| ☐ | **End** | Fasten off. |

## Front: make 2

**Yarns in order of use: B, oat; D, teal; C, rust; A, ink.**

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| ☐ | **Foundation** | The upper edge of the back: 46 sts across one shoulder, with the right side facing you, as told in the notes. | |
| ☐ | **Row 1 (RS)** | Join B with sl st in first st, ch 1, hdc in first st, hdc in next 44 sts, hdc in last st | **(46 hdc)** |
| ☐ | **Rows 2 to 10** | Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 44 sts, hdc in last st | **(46 hdc)** |

A box for each row, 2 to 10: tick them off as you go.

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10


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☐ **Rows 11 to 12** **Yarn D.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 44 sts, hdc in last st **(46 hdc)**

A box for each row, 11 to 12: tick them off as you go.

11 12

☐ **Rows 13 to 14** **Yarn B.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 44 sts, hdc in last st **(46 hdc)**

A box for each row, 13 to 14: tick them off as you go.

13 14

☐ **Rows 15 to 16** **Yarn C.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 44 sts, hdc in last st **(46 hdc)**

A box for each row, 15 to 16: tick them off as you go.

15 16

☐ **Rows 17 to 24** **Yarn B.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 44 sts, hdc in last st **(46 hdc)**

A box for each row, 17 to 24: tick them off as you go.

17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24

☐ **Rows 25 to 26** **Yarn A.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 44 sts, hdc in last st **(46 hdc)**

A box for each row, 25 to 26: tick them off as you go.

25 26

☐ **Rows 27 to 28** **Yarn B.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 44 sts, hdc in last st **(46 hdc)**

A box for each row, 27 to 28: tick them off as you go.

27 28

☐ **Rows 29 to 32** **Yarn D.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 44 sts, hdc in last st **(46 hdc)**

A box for each row, 29 to 32: tick them off as you go.

29 30 31 32

☐ **Rows 33 to 34** **Yarn B.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 44 sts, hdc in last st **(46 hdc)**

A box for each row, 33 to 34: tick them off as you go.

33 34

☐ **Rows 35 to 36** **Yarn A.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 44 sts, hdc in last st **(46 hdc)**

A box for each row, 35 to 36: tick them off as you go.

35 36

☐ **Rows 37 to 44** **Yarn B.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 44 sts, hdc in last st **(46 hdc)**

A box for each row, 37 to 44: tick them off as you go.

37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44

☐ **Rows 45 to 46** **Yarn C.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 44 sts, hdc in last st **(46 hdc)**

A box for each row, 45 to 46: tick them off as you go.

45 46

☐ **Rows 47 to 48** **Yarn B.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 44 sts, hdc in last st **(46 hdc)**

A box for each row, 47 to 48: tick them off as you go.

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☐ **Rows 49 to 50** **Yarn D.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 44 sts, hdc in last st **(46 hdc)**

A box for each row, 49 to 50: tick them off as you go.

49 50


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☐ **Rows 51 to 52** **Yarn B.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 44 sts, hdc in last st **(46 hdc)**

A box for each row, 51 to 52: tick them off as you go.

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☐ **Rows 53 to 58** **Yarn C.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 44 sts, hdc in last st **(46 hdc)**

A box for each row, 53 to 58: tick them off as you go.

53 54 55 56 57 58

☐ **Rows 59 to 60** **Yarn B.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 44 sts, hdc in last st **(46 hdc)**

A box for each row, 59 to 60: tick them off as you go.

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☐ **Rows 61 to 64** **Yarn A.** Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 44 sts, hdc in last st **(46 hdc)**

A box for each row, 61 to 64: tick them off as you go.

61 62 63 64

☐ **End** Fasten off.

### Band

**Yarn A, ink.**

☐ **Foundation** Ch 6.

☐ **Row 1 (RS)** Hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across **(5 hdc)**

☐ **Rows 2 to 152** Ch 1, turn; hdc in BLO of next 5 sts **(5 hdc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 152: 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

☐ **End** Fasten off.

### Putting it together

Band: its long edges are its row ends. Lay the ruana flat, right side up, and lay the band beside the edge of the opening, right side up too, the two edges touching and neither on top of the other: from the hem of one front up its inner edge to the shoulder, across the 28 stitches of the back neck and down the inner edge of the other front to its hem. Pin it. Of the rows of the band 128 go with the rows of the two fronts, one with the end of each of the 64 rows of a front, and the 24 rows between them are spread along the back neck. Whip stitch the band on, one stitch through the end of every band row, with a length of yarn A about 84.8 in (215.4 cm) for each front and one of about 36 in (91.4 cm) for the neck. At each of the two corners of the neck the seam turns and the free edge of the band is too long: lay what is too much into a wedge-shaped fold on the wrong side, and hold it down with a few stitches of the same yarn.

## Finishing

- Weave in the ends.

In all: 4 pieces; 14,328 stitches (7,680 in the back, 2,944 in each front, 760 in the band).

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