Elf collar

Adult · US terms



Finished size
About 1¾ in (4.5 cm) deep from the neck edge, 24¼ in (61.5 cm) round the outer edge and 10¼ in (26 cm) across when laid open

Skill
Easy
Double crochet, increases, points worked back along a chain

Yarn
Light (3), 2 colors

Hook
4 mm (US G-6)

Gauge
18 stitches and 9½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In double crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: elf green, collar and ties	**about 45 yd (41 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: red, points	**about 30 yd (27 m), an estimate**

Hook: 4 mm (US G-6). Also: yarn needle, 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.

Sizes

Size	Depth	Outer edge	Yarn, an estimate
Child	1¾ in (4.5 cm)	19¾ in (50.5 cm)	about 60 yd (55 m)
Adult (this file)	**1¾ in (4.5 cm)**	**24¼ in (61.5 cm)**	**about 75 yd (68 m)**

Abbreviations

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

ch	chain stitch
sl st	slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
hdc	half double crochet (UK htr, half treble)
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
tr	treble crochet (UK dtr, double treble)
dtr	double treble crochet (UK trtr, triple treble)
RS	right side

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WS	wrong side
sk	skip
st	stitch

Special stitches

point: Ch 8, then work back along these chains toward the collar: sc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc in next ch, dc in next 2 chs, tr in next 2 chs, dtr in next ch, which is the last of them. It leaves It stands out from the stitch before it. for the next row.

Gauge

18 stitches and 9½ rows to 4 in (10 cm) in double crochet.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After row 2 the edge you have just worked, measured along its curve, is about 20.2 in (51.3 cm) long. If yours is shorter, use a larger hook; if it is longer, use a smaller one.

Before you start

- To work a point, ch 8 after the sc just made. Do not turn the collar: the same side stays toward you while you work back along the chain, one stitch in each chain, as the special stitch says. Then skip 3 stitches of the row below and sc in the next; the point stands over the 3 skipped stitches.
- Row 1 is a right side row. Each row from row 2 on begins with a chain and a turn of the work, as printed; the work is turned nowhere else.
- The ch 3 at the start of a row counts as a dc and stands on the first stitch, so "next st" after it is the second stitch of the row below. The last dc of the next row goes into the top of this chain. In row 2 that is the skipped chains at the start of row 1: their top is the one that was next to the hook.
- A ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch; the first stitch of the row goes into the first stitch of the row below.
- Where several stitches have one place after them, as in "2 dc in next st", they all go into that one place.
- To change color, work the last stitch of the old color until two loops are left on the hook and draw the new color through them. Cut the old color at every change, leaving a 6 in (15.2 cm) tail, and begin the new color with a new end; nothing is carried along the edge.
- Laid flat the collar is the greater part of a ring, about 10.2 in (25.9 cm) across. Its neck edge (the foundation edge) is about 16.2 in (41.1 cm) along the curve, its outer edge about 24.2 in (61.5 cm) along the curve, and it is about 1.7 in (4.3 cm) deep from the neck edge to the last row before the points, which stand out about 1.5 in (3.8 cm) more.

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Instructions

Chosen: Adult. Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. 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, hdc is half treble, dc is treble, tr is double treble and dtr is triple treble.

Yarns in order of use: A, elf green; B, red.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 75.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Dc in 4th ch from hook (skipped chs count as dc), **[**dc in next 7 chs, 2 dc in next ch**] 7 times**, **[**dc in next 6 chs, 2 dc in next ch**] 2 times**, dc in last ch	**(82 dc)**
☐ **Row 2 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next 8 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 8 times**, dc in next 7 sts, 2 dc in next st, dc in top of turning ch	**(91 dc)**
☐ **Row 3 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next 9 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 8 times**, dc in next 8 sts, 2 dc in next st, dc in top of turning ch	**(100 dc)**
☐ **Row 4 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next 10 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 8 times**, dc in next 9 sts, 2 dc in next st, dc in top of turning ch	**(109 dc)**
☐ **Row 5 (RS)**	**Yarn B.** Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**point, sk next 3 sts, sc in next st**] 26 times**, point, sk next 3 sts, sc in top of turning ch	**(28 sc, 27 points)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Putting it together

Ties: work them last. At one end of the neck edge (the foundation edge) join yarn A with a sl st in the corner, ch 55, which is about 12.2 in (31 cm) at the gauge of the collar, fasten off and leave a short tail; do the same at the other end of the neck edge. Tie them in a bow at the back of the neck or at the front.

Finishing

- Weave in the ends.

In all: 5 rows; 410 stitches; 8 ends to weave in.

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