Fan lace tape

About 23.8 in (60.5 cm) long · US terms



Finished size
About 1¾ × 23¾ in (4 × 60 cm)

Skill
Intermediate
Treble shells and fans, picots, a row of three parts

Yarn
Lace (0)

Hook
2.25 mm (US B-1)

Gauge
28 stitches and 10.8 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In treble crochet.

You will need

Yarn: ecru or slate blue cotton, lace (0) **about 95 yd (87 m), an estimate**

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 2.25 mm (US B-1), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: yarn needle, scissors, tape measure, pins that do not rust and a padded board to pin into and a sewing needle and sewing thread in the color of the tape, if you sew it on.

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. For another length, the yarn is in proportion to the number of rows.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
About 6.1 in (15.5 cm) long, a bookmark	1¾ × 6 in (4 × 15 cm)	about 25 yd (23 m)
About 12 in (30.5 cm) long	1¾ × 12 in (4 × 30 cm)	about 50 yd (46 m)
About 23.8 in (60.5 cm) long (this file)	**1¾ × 23¾ in (4 × 60 cm)**	**about 95 yd (87 m)**

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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)
tr	treble crochet (UK dtr, double treble)
RS	right side
WS	wrong side
sp	space
st	stitch

Special stitches

picot: Ch 3, sl st in 3rd ch from hook. Nothing is worked into the picot, and it uses no stitch of the row below.

Gauge

28 stitches and 10.8 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in treble crochet.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After row 8 the core, measured from the middle of the ring to the top of the last shell, is about 3 in (7.6 cm) long. If yours is smaller, use a larger hook; if it is larger, use a smaller one.

Work rows 3 and on until the tape is as long as you need, with any number of rows in all, and end with the last row as printed. Two rows, one fan on each side, are about 0.7 in (1.8 cm) long; if the two sides should have the same number of fans, the number of rows before the last one is even. For a bolder tape take DK cotton (category 3) and a 4 mm (US G-6) hook: at 18 trs to 4 in (10.2 cm) two rows are about 1.2 in (3 cm) long and the tape is about 2.7 in (6.9 cm) wide, and 12 in (30.5 cm) takes 20 rows and the last row. Read every row as printed.

Before you start

- A ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.
- What is in square brackets is worked as many times as the number after them says, in all.
- Row 1 is a right side row. Turn once between rows: the word "turn" near the start of each row is that turn.
- Row 1 is all worked in the ring. Its ch 8 stands for the first tr (4 chs) and a ch-4 sp (4 chs).
- Every row from row 2 to the last but one has three parts. First the edge: sc and picots over the fan you have just worked. "First st" is the last tr of that fan, "next ch-1 sp" the spaces between its trs one after another, and the "next st" after the square brackets is the tr of the fan that stands next to the core. Then ch 4, and the core: pass over the next 2 trs and work a shell of (2 tr, ch 2, 2 tr) in the ch-2 sp. Last, the fan: pass over the 2 trs that follow and work 6 trs, with ch 1 between them, in the ch-4 sp. The last row only edges the last fan and then goes straight on in sc over the end of the core.
- The sts left unworked at the end of a row are the sc along the fan of two rows before: the new fan lies beside them and is not joined to them. In row 2 the ch-4 sp is the one at the start of row 1, and the st left unworked is the first 4 chs of row 1.
- A picot stands on the sc just worked. The fans of the right side rows turn to the left, with the last row worked at the top, and those of the wrong side rows to the right (the other way round if you are left handed). The two sides of the tape look nearly the same.

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- Stitches in round brackets with a place after them are all worked into that one place. A stitch worked into a chain space goes into the open space under the chain. The brackets at the end of a row hold its count: the trs of the core and of the fan are counted together.
- The tape is about 1.8 in (4.6 cm) wide from the picots of one side to the picots of the other. It has 64 fans, 32 on each side.

Instructions

Chosen: About 23.8 in (60.5 cm) long. 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 sl st is slip stitch, sc is double crochet and tr is double treble.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 6, sl st in first ch to form a ring.
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Ch 8 (counts as tr and ch-4 sp), (2 tr, ch 2, 2 tr) in ring, (tr, ch 1, tr, ch 1, tr, ch 1, tr, ch 1, tr, ch 1, tr) in ring **(11 tr, 1 ch-4 sp, 1 ch-2 sp, 5 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Row 2 (WS)**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, picot**] 5 times**, sc in next st, ch 4, (2 tr, ch 2, 2 tr) in next ch-2 sp, (tr, ch 1, tr, ch 1, tr, ch 1, tr, ch 1, tr, ch 1, tr) in next ch-4 sp, leave remaining st unworked **(7 sc, 5 picots, 1 ch-4 sp, 10 tr, 1 ch-2 sp, 5 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rows 3 to 64**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, picot**] 5 times**, sc in next st, ch 4, (2 tr, ch 2, 2 tr) in next ch-2 sp, (tr, ch 1, tr, ch 1, tr, ch 1, tr, ch 1, tr, ch 1, tr) in next ch-4 sp, leave remaining 7 sts unworked **(7 sc, 5 picots, 1 ch-4 sp, 10 tr, 1 ch-2 sp, 5 ch-1 sps)**

A box for each row, 3 to 64: tick them off as you go.

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																									

☐ **Row 65 (RS)**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, picot**] 5 times**, sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next ch-2 sp, sc in next 2 sts, 4 sc in next ch-4 sp, leave remaining 7 sts unworked **(17 sc, 5 picots)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off and draw the tail through the last sc.

Finishing

- Weave in the ends.
- Wet the tape, press out the water in a towel and pin it out on the padded board: the core straight, one pin in the top of every fan. Let it dry.
- To sew it on, lay the core over the hem or the seam and sew along each side of the core with the sewing needle and sewing thread, in running stitch. Running stitch: take the needle down through the tape and the cloth and up again about 0.2 in (0.5 cm) farther along, and so on in a line.

In all: 65 rows; 1,099 stitches.

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