Gingham can cozy with a handle

Regular · US terms



Finished size
About 4¼ × 4 in (11 × 10 cm)
About 8½ in (21.5 cm) round and 4 in (10 cm) tall, without the handle

Skill
Intermediate
Two colors are used in the gingham rounds, and the one not in use is carried inside the stitches.

Yarn
Medium (4), 3 colors

Hook
4 mm (US G-6)

Gauge
17 stitches and 19 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: cherry, the base, the handle and the dark checks	**about 50 yd (46 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: pink, the middle checks	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: white, the light checks	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 4 mm (US G-6), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a stitch marker, a yarn needle and scissors.

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	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Regular (this file)	**4¼ × 4 in (11 × 10 cm)**	**about 80 yd (73 m)**
Tall	4¼ × 5¼ in (11 × 13 cm)	about 100 yd (91 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
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
BLO	back loop only
MR	magic ring
st	stitch
rnd	round
RS	right side

Gauge

17 stitches and 19 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

The rounds worked through the back loop only are counted at the same height as the others.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. The gauge is checked on the piece itself: after round 6 the base should measure about 2½ in (6.5 cm) across, laid flat and not stretched. A range that is near enough is printed after that round. If the piece measures more than that, begin again with a smaller hook; if it measures less, with a larger hook.

Before you start

- Begin with a magic ring: wind the yarn once round two fingers, put the hook through the ring, draw up a loop and chain 1 to hold it, which does not count as a stitch. Work round 1 into the ring, then pull the tail to draw the ring closed.
- The rounds are not joined: work in a spiral, and move a marker up to the first stitch of each round.
- Where the pattern says BLO, put the hook under the back loop only; the front loop stays on the outside as a ridge.
- The chain of 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.
- Tapestry crochet: where two or more colors share a round, lay the color or colors of that round not in use along the top of the round before and work over them, all the way round, so that they are carried inside the stitches.
- To change color, at the start of a round or inside it, draw the new yarn through as the last yarn over of the stitch before. Where two or more colors share a round, cut nothing at a change: the color you leave is carried. A color that is not used in the next round is cut at the end of the round, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).
- In rounds of one color nothing is carried.
- Both sizes are for a can about 8¼ in (21 cm) round: the fabric has some thickness, so the inside of the cozy is a little less round than its outside. The regular is for a can about 4¾ in (12 cm) tall, the tall for one about 6¼ in (16 cm) tall. Measure your can before you choose. It is not for a slim can, which would be loose in it.
- Whip stitch: put the needle through both edges from back to front, one stitch for each stitch or row, and draw the yarn snug. Where an end of the handle is sewn to the cozy, the needle goes over the edge of the handle and through the cozy beneath it.
- Colors, round by round. Rounds 1 to 9: A. Rounds 10 to 12: A and B. Rounds 13 to 15: B and C. Rounds 16 to 18: A and B. Rounds 19 to 21: B and C. Rounds 22 to 24: A and B. Round 25: A.

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Instructions

Chosen: Regular. 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 round is done. In UK terms sc is double crochet.

Cozy

Yarns in order of use: A, cherry; B, pink; C, white.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sc in next 2 sts	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(36 sc)**

Stop and measure now, after round 6. The base should measure about 2½ in (6.5 cm) across. Anything from 2½ in (6.5 cm) to 2¾ in (7 cm) is near enough.

Ridged foot

☐ **Rnds 7 to 9** Sc in BLO of each st around **(36 sc)**

A box for each round, 7 to 9: tick them off as you go.

☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9

Gingham

☐ **Rnds 10 to 12** **[**With A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times** **(36 sc)**

A box for each round, 10 to 12: tick them off as you go.

☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12

☐ **Rnds 13 to 15** **[**With B, sc in next 3 sts, with C, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times** **(36 sc)**

A box for each round, 13 to 15: tick them off as you go.

☐ 13 ☐ 14 ☐ 15

☐ **Rnds 16 to 18** **[**With A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times** **(36 sc)**

A box for each round, 16 to 18: tick them off as you go.

☐ 16 ☐ 17 ☐ 18

☐ **Rnds 19 to 21** **[**With B, sc in next 3 sts, with C, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times** **(36 sc)**

A box for each round, 19 to 21: tick them off as you go.

☐ 19 ☐ 20 ☐ 21

☐ **Rnds 22 to 24** **[**With A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times** **(36 sc)**

A box for each round, 22 to 24: tick them off as you go.

☐ 22 ☐ 23 ☐ 24

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Rim

☐ **Rnd 25**	With A, sc in each st around	**(36 sc)**
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch to level the edge. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Handle

Yarn A, cherry.

Leave a tail of 24 in (61 cm) before the first chain: it sews one end on.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 9.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 26**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(8 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 26: 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

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 24 in (61 cm), which sews the other end on.	

Assembly

1. Weave in the tails of the cozy on the inside.

2. The handle is 26 rows, about 5½ in (14 cm), long. Fold its two long edges to each other, the wrong side inside. Cut a length of A about 30 in (76 cm) long and whip stitch the two edges together from end to end, one stitch in the end of each row, for a tube. Draw both tails of this yarn inside. Flatten the tube with the seam along the middle of one face: that face is the inner one, toward the can. The handle is then double and about 1 in (2.5 cm) wide. Sew each open end shut with two or three stitches of its tail, and leave the rest of the tail hanging for the next steps.

3. Mark the last stitch of round 25. From it lay a ruler or a thread straight down the side of the cozy to the foot, and mark that line: both ends of the handle go on it. The line is upright; the start of the rounds leans away from it, and you need not follow that. Lay the end of the handle at its last row flat on the cozy, with its middle on the line and the end pointing up, its short edge on round 24, the first round below the rim, and its inner face against the cozy. Rows 24 to 26 lie on rounds 22 to 24. With the tail of the last row whip stitch it down round the edge of the part that lies on the cozy: up one side of the 3 rows, across the short edge, down the other side, and then straight across the handle where it leaves the cozy, going through the cozy and both layers of the handle. Go round all four sides a second time, and fasten off on the inside.

4. Lay the other end with its middle on the line and the end pointing down, its short edge on round 7, the first round of the ridged foot, and its inner face against the cozy, so that rows 1 to 3 lie on rounds 7 to 9. Take care that the handle is not twisted. Sew it down in the same way with the tail of the foundation. The 20 rows between, about 4¼ in (11 cm), stand out in a bow from the 2½ in (6.5 cm) of the side, rounds 10 to 21, between the two ends.

Finishing

- Weave in on the inside all the tails that are left.
- Weave the starting tail of the magic ring in round the middle of the base.

In all: 2 pieces; 1,018 stitches (810 in the cozy, 208 in the handle).

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