Heart collar

Adult · US terms



Finished size
About 1¾ in (4.5 cm) deep from the neck edge, 21½ in (55 cm) round the outer edge and 13½ in (34.5 cm) across when laid open

Skill
Intermediate
Double crochet, hearts on 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: cream cotton, collar	**about 40 yd (37 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: red cotton, hearts and ties	**about 40 yd (37 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)	19 in (48 cm)	about 65 yd (59 m)
Adult (this file)	**1¾ in (4.5 cm)**	**21½ in (55 cm)**	**about 80 yd (74 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)
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
tr	treble crochet (UK dtr, double treble)
RS	right side
WS	wrong side
st	stitch

Special stitches

heart: Ch 6, (3 tr, 3 dc, ch 1, tr, ch 1, 3 dc, 3 tr, ch 3, sl st) all in 4th ch from hook, sl st in each of the 2 chs of the stem. 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 1 the neck edge, laid straight, is about 16.2 in (41.1 cm) long. If yours is shorter, use a larger hook; if it is longer, use a smaller one.

Before you start

- A heart is worked whole after the stitch before it and uses no stitch of the row: go on with the next sc beside it.
- Row 1 is a right side row. Each row from row 2 on begins with a chain and a turn, as printed; that is the only turn.
- 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.
- What is in square brackets is worked as many times as the number after them says, in all.
- 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.
- The neck edge is about 16.2 in (41.1 cm), the outer edge is about 21.6 in (54.9 cm) along the curve, and the collar is about 1.7 in (4.3 cm) deep from the neck edge to the last row before the hearts; the single crochet and the hearts of row 5 hang about 1.3 in (3.3 cm) lower. Laid flat it is an arc about 13.6 in (34.5 cm) across.

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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, dc is treble and tr is double treble.

Yarns in order of use: A, cream cotton; B, red cotton.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 75.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Dc in 4th ch from hook (skipped chs count as dc) and in each ch across	**(73 dc)**
☐ **Row 2 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next 8 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 7 times**, dc in next 7 sts, 2 dc in next st, dc in top of turning ch	**(81 dc)**
☐ **Row 3 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next 9 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 7 times**, dc in next 8 sts, 2 dc in next st, dc in top of turning ch	**(89 dc)**
☐ **Row 4 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next 10 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 7 times**, dc in next 9 sts, 2 dc in next st, dc in top of turning ch	**(97 dc)**
☐ **Row 5 (RS)**	**Yarn B.** Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**sc in next 3 sts, heart, sc in next 3 sts**] 15 times**, sc in next 3 sts, heart, sc in next 2 sts, sc in top of turning ch	**(97 sc, 16 hearts)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Putting it together

Ties: work them last. At one end of the neck edge (the foundation edge) join yarn B 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; 437 stitches; 8 ends to weave in.

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