Herringbone half double throw

Standard · US terms



Finished size
About 50¼ × 60¼ in (128 × 153 cm)

Skill
Easy
Blocks of color, a special stitch

Yarn
Medium (4), 4 colors

Hook
5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge
13 stitches and 11½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In herringbone half double crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: navy, main	**about 900 yd (823 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: slate gray, contrast	**about 875 yd (800 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: silver gray, contrast	**about 900 yd (823 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: ivory, contrast	**about 875 yd (800 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9). 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. To measure your own: work the swatch and measure it, mark the yarn where the swatch begins and ends, pull the swatch out and measure the yarn it took; divide by the area of the swatch and multiply by the area of the piece.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Standard (this file)	**50¼ × 60¼ in (128 × 153 cm)**	**about 3,550 yd (3,246 m)**
Large	54¼ × 66 in (138 × 168 cm)	about 4,250 yd (3,886 m)
Extra large	60 × 72 in (152 × 183 cm)	about 5,075 yd (4,641 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
RS	right side
st	stitch
yo	yarn over

Special stitches

hhdc (Herringbone half double crochet): Yo, insert hook in the st, yo, pull up a loop and pull it straight through the first loop on hook, yo, pull through the 2 loops on hook. It leaves 1 stitch for the next row.

Gauge

13 stitches and 11½ rows to 4 in (10 cm) in herringbone half double crochet. Along a row, count every stitch and every chain between stitches as one.

To count your gauge in the middle of the test piece: 13 stitches side by side are about 4 in (10 cm) wide, and 12 rows are about 4.2 in (10.6 cm) tall. A row has no chains between its stitches.

The pattern also stops you to measure after row 9.

> **The swatch.** Work the test piece first. This piece is wide, and starting again after the first place to stop means working its first rows a second time. A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. The test piece is about 6¼ in (16 cm) wide and 6 in (15 cm) tall, so that you can count over 4 in (10 cm) in the middle of it.
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Swatch foundation	With A, ch 22.	
Swatch row 1 (RS)	Hhdc in 3rd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(20 hhdcs)**
Swatch rows 2 to 17	Ch 2, turn; hhdc in each st across	**(20 hhdcs)**

For another width, chain more or fewer: each chain adds one stitch to every row. Measure your own stitches to 4 in (10 cm) first.

Before you start

- The ch 2 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch: the first stitch of the row goes into the first st of the row below.
- Row 1 is the right side.
- Change yarn in the last yarn over of the last stitch of the row before.
- Cut a yarn when its block is done, leaving a tail of about 6 in (15 cm), and work over the tails as you go or weave them in at the end. The estimates include the tails.
- Leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) when you begin, and weave it in at the end with the others. Join a new ball at the end of a row, with the same tails: each join adds two ends.
- In UK terms hhdc is herringbone half treble.

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Instructions

Chosen: Standard. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a row is done.

Yarn A, navy.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 165.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Hhdc in 3rd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(163 hhdcs)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 44**	Ch 2, turn; hhdc in each st across	**(163 hhdcs)**

A box for each row, 2 to 44: tick them off as you go. The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

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

> **Stop and measure when you have worked row 9.** Width, across the middle of the rows and not along the chain edge: about 50¼ in (128 cm). If it is wider, start again with a smaller hook; if it is narrower, with a larger one. If only the chain edge is tight, make the chain with a larger hook.

☐ **Row 45**	With B, ch 2, turn; hhdc in each st across	**(163 hhdcs)**
☐ **Rows 46 to 86**	Ch 2, turn; hhdc in each st across	**(163 hhdcs)**

A box for each row, 46 to 86: tick them off as you go.

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

☐ **Row 87**	With C, ch 2, turn; hhdc in each st across	**(163 hhdcs)**
☐ **Rows 88 to 130**	Ch 2, turn; hhdc in each st across	**(163 hhdcs)**

A box for each row, 88 to 130: tick them off as you go.

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

☐ **Row 131**	With D, ch 2, turn; hhdc in each st across	**(163 hhdcs)**
☐ **Rows 132 to 173**	Ch 2, turn; hhdc in each st across	**(163 hhdcs)**

A box for each row, 132 to 173: tick them off as you go.

132 133 134 135 136 137 138 139 140 141 142 143 144 145 146 147 148 149 150 151 152 153 154 155 156 157 158 159 160
161 162 163 164 165 166 167 168 169 170 171 172 173

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.

Finishing

- Weave in the ends.
- Lay the piece flat, pull it gently to its size, dampen it and let it dry.

In all: 173 rows; 8 ends to weave in.

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