Iris stitch wrap

Standard · US terms



Finished size
About 20 × 66¼ in (51 × 168 cm)

Skill
Easy
Groups in one place, skipped stitches, chain spaces

Yarn
Medium (4), 3 colors

Hook
5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge
13 stitches and 7½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In iris stitch.

What you need

Yarn A: violet	**about 330 yd (302 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: lavender, rows 21 to 40 and 81 to 100	**about 300 yd (274 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: ivory, stripe	**about 350 yd (320 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 490 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a yarn needle, scissors and a tape measure.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Standard (this file)	**20 × 66¼ in (51 × 168 cm)**	**about 980 yd (896 m)**
Long	20 × 72 in (51 × 183 cm)	about 1,070 yd (978 m)
Long and wide	23¾ × 72 in (60 × 183 cm)	about 1,250 yd (1,143 m)

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Gauge

13 stitches and 7½ rows to 4 in (10 cm) in iris stitch.

To check yours in the middle of the test piece: three repeats of the bracketed group side by side (12 foundation chains' worth) are about 3¾ in (9.5 cm) wide, and 8 rows are about 4¼ in (11 cm) tall. Use any hook that gives you this. If you count more stitches than this in 4 in (10 cm), change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, to a smaller one.

> **The swatch.** A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. Lay it flat and measure in its middle.
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> | **Swatch foundation** | Ch 23. | |
> | **Swatch row 1 (RS)** | Sh in 5th ch from hook (skipped chs count as dc), **[**sk next 3 chs, sh in next ch**] 4 times**, sk next ch, dc in next ch | (2 dc, 5 sh) |
> | **Swatch rows 2 to 11** | Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**sh in next ch-1 sp**] 5 times**, sk next 2 sts, dc in top of turning ch | (2 dc, 5 sh) |

Instructions

Standard. US terms.

ch chain, **dc** double crochet (UK tr), **tr** treble crochet (UK dtr), **sk** skip, **st** stitch.

ch-1 sp: the hole under the chain. The hook goes in the hole, never into a chain.

The ch 3 is the first dc: skip the first stitch; the last dc goes in the **top of the 3 chains**.

[ ] 15 times: 15 times in all. ( ) in one place: all of it there. (2 dc, 16 sh): the row now has that many; a check, not a step.

Also: sp space.

Every stitch, drawn: flossfield.com/crochet/stitches.

Special stitches

sh (Shell): (2 dc, ch 1, 2 dc) in the same st or sp. In UK terms: (2 tr, ch 1, 2 tr).

The 124 rows below make this size. For another length, work fewer or more rows in the same order, with the stripes in the same order, and stop at the end of a stripe.

Check your width as you go: when row 6 is done, measure the width, across the middle of the rows and not along the chain edge. It is about 20 in (51 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.

☐ **Start**	With A, make a slip knot and ch 67.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sh in 5th ch from hook (skipped chs count as dc), **[**sk next 3 chs, sh in next ch**] 15 times**, sk next ch, dc in next ch	(2 dc, 16 sh)
☐ **Rows 2 to 20**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**sh in next ch-1 sp**] 16 times**, sk next 2 sts, dc in top of turning ch	(2 dc, 16 sh)

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20

Stripe in B, lavender

☐ **Row 21**	With B, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**sh in next ch-1 sp**] 16 times**, sk next 2 sts, dc in top of turning ch	(2 dc, 16 sh)

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☐ **Rows 22 to 40** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**sh in next ch-1 sp**] 16 times**, sk next 2 sts, dc in top of turning ch (2 dc, 16 sh)

22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40

Stripe in C, ivory

☐ **Row 41** With C, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**sh in next ch-1 sp**] 16 times**, sk next 2 sts, dc in top of turning ch (2 dc, 16 sh)

☐ **Rows 42 to 60** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**sh in next ch-1 sp**] 16 times**, sk next 2 sts, dc in top of turning ch (2 dc, 16 sh)

42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60

Stripe in A, violet

☐ **Row 61** With A, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**sh in next ch-1 sp**] 16 times**, sk next 2 sts, dc in top of turning ch (2 dc, 16 sh)

☐ **Rows 62 to 80** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**sh in next ch-1 sp**] 16 times**, sk next 2 sts, dc in top of turning ch (2 dc, 16 sh)

62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80

Stripe in B, lavender

☐ **Row 81** With B, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**sh in next ch-1 sp**] 16 times**, sk next 2 sts, dc in top of turning ch (2 dc, 16 sh)

☐ **Rows 82 to 100** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**sh in next ch-1 sp**] 16 times**, sk next 2 sts, dc in top of turning ch (2 dc, 16 sh)

82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96 97 98 99 100

Stripe in C, ivory

☐ **Row 101** With C, ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**sh in next ch-1 sp**] 16 times**, sk next 2 sts, dc in top of turning ch (2 dc, 16 sh)

☐ **Rows 102 to 124** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**sh in next ch-1 sp**] 16 times**, sk next 2 sts, dc in top of turning ch (2 dc, 16 sh)

102 103 104 105 106 107 108 109 110 111 112 113 114 115 116 117 118 119 120 121 122 123 124

☐ Fasten off, leaving a tail of about 6 in (15 cm).

Assembly

1. Fringe: cut 66 lengths of A, each about 12 in (30 cm) long. For each knot fold three lengths in half together, pull the fold through the foundation edge with the hook, pull the ends through the fold and draw it tight. Make 22 knots along the foundation edge, one at each corner and the others evenly spread, a little under 1 in (2.5 cm) apart. Trim the ends level, about 5 in (13 cm) long.

2. Fringe: cut 66 lengths of C, each about 12 in (30 cm) long. For each knot fold three lengths in half together, pull the fold through the last row with the hook, pull the ends through the fold and draw it tight. Make 22 knots along the last row, one at each corner and the others evenly spread, a little under 1 in (2.5 cm) apart. Trim the ends level, about 5 in (13 cm) long.

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Finishing

- Weave in the ends with the yarn needle, changing direction once or twice.

In all: 124 rows.

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 15 percent added.

Notes

- The ch 3 at the start of a row counts as a dc. The last stitch of the next row is worked into the top of it. In row 1 the 3 chains nearest the hook stand for that first dc and the last chain you made is its top; the fourth skipped chain is only passed over. The last dc of row 2 goes into that top.
- Row 1 is the right side.
- A stitch worked into a chain space passes over any stitches that lie before the space; they are left unworked.
- Stitches in parentheses are all worked into the one place named after them.
- Leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) when you begin, and weave it in at the end with the others.
- To change yarn, work the last yarn over of the last stitch of the row before with the new yarn. Cut the old yarn at the end of its stripe, leaving a tail of about 6 in (15 cm), and leave a tail of the same length on the new yarn.
- For another width, add or take away 4 chains at a time: each 4 chains adds one more repeat of each bracketed group. Measure your own gauge first.
- The finished sizes are given without the fringe.
- Buy whole balls from one dye lot.

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