Lace Christmas stocking

US terms



Finished size
About 9¼ × 14½ in (23 × 37 cm)
About 9¼ in (23.5 cm) wide, heel to toe, and 14½ in (37 cm) tall (23 by 37 cm), without the hanging loop

Skill
Intermediate
Worked in rows, with 3 pieces, color changes and 2 special stitches.

Yarn
Light (3), 2 colors

Hook
4 mm (US G-6)

Gauge
18 stitches and 19 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: ivory, the sides and the cuff **about 260 yd (238 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: wine, the sewn details **about 8 yd (7 m), an estimate**
Hook: 4 mm (US G-6), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a yarn needle, scissors, pins for blocking and a spray bottle.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. Yarn A: the estimate is from the stitches and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added. Yarn B: the estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

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)
hdc	half double crochet (UK htr, half treble)
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
sk	skip (UK miss)
rem	remaining
sp	space
st	stitch

Special stitches

hdc2tog (UK htr2tog): [yarn over, insert the hook in the next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop] twice (5 loops on the hook), yarn over and pull through all 5 loops. It leaves 1 hdc2tog for the next row.

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hdc3tog (UK htr3tog): [yarn over, insert the hook in the next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop] 3 times (7 loops on the hook), yarn over and pull through all 7 loops. It leaves 1 hdc3tog for the next row.

Gauge

18 stitches and 19 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

In half double crochet: 18 stitches and 13½ rows to 4 in (10 cm). In the lace, 10 rows measure about 3 in (7.5 cm).

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.

Before you start

- Where a line says turn, turn the piece over and work back along the stitches just made.
- A chain that counts as a stitch is marked so in its line and is included in the count.
- A chain 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line count its stitches and the chain spaces between them; slip stitches, and chains that are not named there, are not counted.
- The two sides are alike; one is the front and one is the back. Lay a side with the face toward you that faced you in row 1, and row 1 at the bottom: the toe points right. The edge on the left is the back edge. The foundation chain is the sole. The face of row 1 is the right side of the front; on the back the other face is the right side, because the back is turned over.
- Rows 1 to 18 are the plain foot, row 19 is a row of eyelets for a cord, and the lace is worked from row 21 to the top. A shell is the 5 dc (7 dc in the last row of the cuff) worked in one stitch; a V-stitch is (dc, ch 2, dc) in one stitch.
- In a shell row every shell after the first shell row is worked in the sc that stands over the middle of a shell below; the chains and dc between are passed over. In a shell row the last st is the top of the ch-3 that began the row before.
- In row 20 of the side and in row 3 of the cuff the last ch-1 sp and the last dc are the ch-4 that began the row before: the last 2 sc are worked under its last chain, as a space, and in its third chain.
- The face of the cuff that is toward you in its shell rows, rows 4, 6, 8 and 10, is its right side.
- The distances under FINISHING are for the yarn and gauge above; in another yarn make them larger or smaller in the same proportion as the size.
- The same words in another yarn make another size, measured the longest way: fine yarn (2) and a 3.25 mm hook, about 12¼ in (31 cm); medium yarn (4) and a 5 mm hook, about 18½ in (47 cm); bulky yarn (5) and a 6.5 mm hook, about 23½ in (60 cm).

Instructions

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 sc is double crochet, hdc is half treble and dc is treble.

Side: make 2

Yarn A, ivory.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 33.	
☐ **Row 1**	Hdc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc in next 31 chs	**(32 hdc)**

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☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn, 3 hdc in next st, hdc in next 30 sts, 3 hdc in next st	**(36 hdc)**
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn, 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 34 sts, 2 hdc in next st	**(38 hdc)**
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn, 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 36 sts, 2 hdc in next st	**(40 hdc)**
☐ **Rows 5 to 7**	Ch 1, turn, hdc in each st across	**(40 hdc)**

A box for each row, 5 to 7: tick them off as you go.

☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7

☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn, hdc in next 38 sts, hdc2tog in next 2 sts	**(38 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)**
☐ **Row 9**	Ch 1, turn, hdc2tog in next 2 sts, hdc in next 37 sts	**(1 hdc2tog, 37 hdc)**
☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn, hdc in next 36 sts, hdc2tog in next 2 sts	**(36 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)**
☐ **Row 11**	Ch 1, turn, hdc2tog in next 2 sts, hdc in next 33 sts, hdc2tog in next 2 sts	**(2 hdc2tog, 33 hdc)**
☐ **Row 12**	Ch 1, turn, hdc in next 33 sts, leave the remaining 2 sts unworked	**(33 hdc)**
☐ **Row 13**	Ch 1, turn, hdc2tog in next 2 sts, hdc in next 29 sts, hdc2tog in next 2 sts	**(2 hdc2tog, 29 hdc)**
☐ **Row 14**	Ch 1, turn, hdc in next 29 sts, hdc2tog in next 2 sts	**(29 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)**
☐ **Row 15**	Ch 1, turn, hdc3tog in next 3 sts, hdc in next 27 sts	**(1 hdc3tog, 27 hdc)**
☐ **Row 16**	Ch 1, turn, hdc in next 26 sts, hdc2tog in next 2 sts	**(26 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)**
☐ **Row 17**	Ch 1, turn, hdc2tog in next 2 sts, hdc in next 25 sts	**(1 hdc2tog, 25 hdc)**
☐ **Row 18**	Ch 1, turn, hdc in next 24 sts, hdc2tog in next 2 sts	**(24 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)**
☐ **Row 19**	Turn, ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1), sk next st, dc in next st, **[**ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st**] 11 times**	**(13 dc, 12 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Row 20**	Ch 1, turn, sc in next dc, **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next dc**] 12 times**	**(25 sc)**
☐ **Row 21**	Ch 1, turn, sc in next st, **[**sk next 2 sts, 5 dc in next st, sk next 2 sts, sc in next st**] 4 times**	**(5 sc, 20 dc)**
☐ **Row 22**	Turn, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same st, **[**sk next 2 dc, ch 1, sc in next dc, ch 1, sk next 2 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next sc**] 3 times**, sk next 2 dc, ch 1, sc in next dc, ch 1, sk next 2 dc, 2 dc in next sc	**(10 dc, 8 ch-1 sps, 4 sc, 3 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Row 23**	Ch 1, turn, sc in next st, **[**5 dc in next sc, sc in next ch-2 sp**] 3 times**, 5 dc in next sc, sc in last st	**(5 sc, 20 dc)**
☐ **Rows 24 to 48**	Repeat rows 22 and 23 in turn: every even-numbered row is worked as row 22, every odd-numbered row as row 23.	

A box for each row, 24 to 48: tick them off as you go.

☐ 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

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

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Cuff

Yarn A, ivory.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 56.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across	**(55 sc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Turn, ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1), sk next st, dc in next st, **[**ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st**] 26 times**	**(28 dc, 27 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn, sc in next dc, **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next dc**] 27 times**	**(55 sc)**
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn, sc in next st, **[**sk next 2 sts, 5 dc in next st, sk next 2 sts, sc in next st**] 9 times**	**(10 sc, 45 dc)**
☐ **Row 5**	Turn, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same st, **[**sk next 2 dc, ch 1, sc in next dc, ch 1, sk next 2 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next sc**] 8 times**, sk next 2 dc, ch 1, sc in next dc, ch 1, sk next 2 dc, 2 dc in next sc	**(20 dc, 18 ch-1 sps, 9 sc, 8 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn, sc in next st, **[**5 dc in next sc, sc in next ch-2 sp**] 8 times**, 5 dc in next sc, sc in last st	**(10 sc, 45 dc)**
☐ **Row 7**	Turn, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same st, **[**sk next 2 dc, ch 1, sc in next dc, ch 1, sk next 2 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next sc**] 8 times**, sk next 2 dc, ch 1, sc in next dc, ch 1, sk next 2 dc, 2 dc in next sc	**(20 dc, 18 ch-1 sps, 9 sc, 8 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn, sc in next st, **[**5 dc in next sc, sc in next ch-2 sp**] 8 times**, 5 dc in next sc, sc in last st	**(10 sc, 45 dc)**
☐ **Row 9**	Turn, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same st, **[**sk next 2 dc, ch 1, sc in next dc, ch 1, sk next 2 dc, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next sc**] 8 times**, sk next 2 dc, ch 1, sc in next dc, ch 1, sk next 2 dc, 2 dc in next sc	**(20 dc, 18 ch-1 sps, 9 sc, 8 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn, sc in next st, **[**7 dc in next sc, sc in next ch-2 sp**] 8 times**, 7 dc in next sc, sc in last st	**(10 sc, 63 dc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 45 in (114 cm) tail for sewing.	

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Finishing

- Block: pin the pieces to shape on a flat surface, spray them with water and let them dry.
- Ankle cords: make 2. With B, ch 34 and fasten off. Lay one side as the notes say, its face of row 1 up and the toe on the right: this is the front. Lay the other with the face of row 1 down and the toe on the left: this is the back. On each of them, bring one end of a cord up from below through the first of the 12 ch-1 spaces of row 19, take it down through the next, up through the one after that and so on, so that it goes down through the last. Draw the cord until it lies flat and sew its two ends to the wrong side with their tails.
- Joining: hold the two sides together edge to edge, wrong sides together (the face of row 1 is outside on the front and inside on the back), the front toward you, the toe on the right. With A, join with a slip stitch through both at the top of the back edge and ch 1. Work sc through both layers, as follows. Back edge of the leg, over the ends of rows 48 to 19: 2 sc in each end of a row of V-stitches (the even rows from 48 to 22) and 1 sc in each end of a shell row (the odd rows from 47 to 21), 1 sc in the end of row 20, 2 sc in the end of row 19. Back edge of the foot: over the ends of rows 18 to 4 [1 sc in each of next 2 ends, 2 sc in next end] 5 times, then 2 sc in each of the ends of rows 3, 2 and 1, where the heel is round. Sole: 1 sc in each of the 32 chains. Toe: 2 sc in each of the ends of rows 1 to 4. Instep: over the ends of rows 5 to 18 [2 sc in next end, 1 sc in next end] 7 times, with 1 sc in each of the 2 stitches that row 12 left unworked, between the ends of rows 11 and 12. Front edge of the leg: over the ends of rows 19 to 48 as on the back edge, from the bottom up. Keep the seam flat. Leave the top open. Fasten off.
- Cuff: with its tail, sew the two short ends together to make a ring, the right side outside. Slip the ring over the top of the stocking with the shells hanging down, its seam over the seam of the back edge and its foundation edge level with the top of the stocking. With the same tail, sew these two edges together all round, easing the cuff in; the rest of the cuff hangs down over the outside.
- Cord: with B, ch 126 and fasten off; cut the ends to ¼ in (0.6 cm). Leave free the ch-1 space of row 2 of the cuff that is nearest the middle of the front. Beginning in the space beside it, take the cord down through that space and up through the next, and so on all the way round, so that it comes up in the last space, on the other side of the one left free. Tie the two ends in a bow over that space, its loops 1 1/8 in (2.9 cm) long and its tails 1¾ in (4.4 cm) long.
- Hanging loop: join A with a slip stitch in the upper edge of the cuff, at its seam, ch 18, work a slip stitch in the same place and fasten off.
- Weave in all the ends that are left with the yarn needle.

In all: 3 pieces.

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