Leaf scrunchie

Standard · US terms



Finished size
About 5 in (13 cm) across from leaf tip to leaf tip, the leaves leaning as Finishing says, over an elastic 2 in (5 cm) across

Skill
Intermediate
Leaves worked on both sides of a chain, and two yarns in one round

Yarn
Fine (2), 2 colors

Hook
3.25 mm (US D-3)

Gauge
24 stitches and 27 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn A: laurel, main color **about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: new leaf, stripe **about 7 yd (6 m), an estimate**
By weight: about 5 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 350 yd (320 m).
Fiber: cotton
Hook: 3.25 mm (US D-3), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a hair elastic about 1/8 in (3 mm) thick: 2 in (5 cm) across for Standard or 1½ in (4 cm) across for Small, a yarn needle, scissors and a tape measure.

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.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Small	4½ in (11 cm) across from leaf tip to leaf tip, 1½ in (4 cm) across	about 14 yd (13 m)
Standard (this file)	**5 in (13 cm) across from leaf tip to leaf tip, 2 in (5 cm) across**	**about 17 yd (16 m)**

Gauge

24 stitches and 27 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

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It need not be exact: the elastic sets the size of the ring. Check the first leaf when it is done: without its stem it measures about 1¼ in (3 cm) from end to end. If it measures more, take a smaller hook; if it measures less, a larger one.

Notes

- To begin, make a slip knot, put the loop on the hook and hold the elastic in front of the yarn. Put the hook through the middle of the elastic from front to back, catch the yarn behind it and pull it back through the middle and through the loop on the hook: the yarn is joined.
- Round 1 is worked over the elastic: for each sc put the hook through the middle of it, so that the elastic lies inside the stitches. Push the stitches along it as you work, so that they all fit.
- The ch 1 at the start of a round does not count as a stitch. The joining sl st itself is not a stitch and is not worked into. The first stitch of a round goes into the same place as the joining sl st: the top of the first stitch of the round before.
- The right side is the side that faces you as you work the rounds. Do not turn between rounds. The leaves lie with the same side up: the raised midrib is on it.
- LF in next st begins with a sc in that st and ends with a sl st in the same sc. The next sc goes into the next st of round 1.
- Two yarns go round in round 2. B joins at the first change. To change, make the last sl st of the leaf, the one in the sc at its foot, with the new yarn: put the hook in that sc, let the old yarn hang at the back, take the new yarn over the hook and pull it through. Lay the old yarn along the tops of the next 3 stitches of round 1 and work those 3 sc over it. Where the next leaf begins drop it at the back: it is waiting there when the leaf is done. The 1st time, work over the beginning tail of B as well.
- After the last leaf, which is in B, change to A in the same way, make the joining sl st with A, and cut both yarns.
- Leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) when you begin and when you fasten off, unless another length is given. The ends that are not sewn with are woven in.
- Small parts come off in small hands and mouths: keep it from children under three.
- Buy whole balls from one dye lot.

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Instructions

Standard. US terms.

ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **hdc** half double crochet (UK half treble), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **tr** treble crochet (UK double treble), **Rnd** round, **st** stitch.
yo yarn over the hook.
[ ] 6 times: work what is inside 6 times in all.
(48 sc): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Special stitches

LF (Leaf): Sc in the st named, ch 9, then: First side, from the tip back to the stem: sl st in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next ch, hdc in next ch, dc in next 2 chs, hdc in next ch, sc in next ch. One ch is left unworked: it is the stem. Second side, from the stem out to the tip: pass the working yarn across the front of the stem and work into the other side of the same 7 chs, under the strands left free: sc in first ch, hdc in next ch, dc in next 2 chs, hdc in next ch, sc in next ch, sl st in last ch. Midrib, from the tip back to the stem: hold the working yarn behind the leaf, and make 7 sl sts down the middle line of the leaf, one over each ch: put the hook from front to back between the two sides, yo at the back, pull through the leaf and the loop on hook. Last, sl st in the stem ch and sl st in the sc at the foot of the leaf. It leaves 1 stitch, that sc. In UK terms: dc, ch 9; ss, dc, htr, 2 tr, htr, dc down one side; dc, htr, 2 tr, htr, dc, ss up the other; 7 surface ss.

Yarns in order of use: A, laurel; B, new leaf.

The ring is a hair elastic 2 in (5 cm) across. Round 2 makes 12 leaves, one in every 4th stitch of round 1: the 1st leaf and every second one after it in A, the 2nd and every second one after it in B.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, join yarn to the ring with a sl st.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1, 48 sc in ring; join with sl st in first sc	(48 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 3 sts, LF in next st, with B, sc in next 3 sts, LF in next st, with A**] 6 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(36 sc, 12 LF)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Finishing

- Weave in the ends at the back, each along the stitches of its own color.
- Wet the leaves with a fingertip, pull each one out from its stem to its tip and pinch the tip to a point. Lay the scrunchie flat, right side up. Lean every leaf toward the leaf that was made after it, halfway between pointing straight out from the ring and lying along the ring. Let them dry. The size is measured with the leaves like that.

In all: 2 rounds; 2 ends to weave in.

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