

# Mesh band throw

Standard · US terms



Finished size

**About 50¼ × 60 in (128 × 152 cm)**

Skill

**Easy**

Skipped stitches, chain spaces

Yarn

**Medium (4)**

Hook

**5.5 mm (US I-9)**

Gauge

**13 stitches and 7 rows to 4 in (10 cm)**

In mesh and double crochet rows.

## You will need

Yarn: any color, medium (4)

**about 2,725 yd (2,492 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 size of the blanket, at 0.9 yd of yarn for each square inch. A fabric with open spaces may take less. 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.

## Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

|           |                                |
|-----------|--------------------------------|
| <b>ch</b> | chain stitch                   |
| <b>dc</b> | double crochet (UK tr, treble) |
| <b>RS</b> | right side                     |
| <b>sk</b> | skip                           |
| <b>sp</b> | space                          |
| <b>st</b> | stitch                         |

# Gauge

**13 stitches and 7 rows to 4 in (10 cm)** in mesh and double crochet rows. Along a row, count every stitch and every chain between stitches as one.

To count your gauge in the middle of the test piece: 7 repeats of the bracketed group side by side (14 foundation chains' worth) are about 4.3 in (10.9 cm) wide, and 8 rows are about 4.6 in (11.6 cm) tall.

The pattern also stops you to measure after row 6.

**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. Gauge is counted over 4 in (10 cm), so make the swatch bigger than that: about 6 in (15 cm) each way, and count in the middle of it.

|                     |                                                                                                                                                        |                     |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Swatch foundation   | Ch 21.                                                                                                                                                 |                     |
| Swatch row 1 (RS)   | Dc in 4th ch from hook (skipped chs count as dc) and in each ch across                                                                                 | (19 dc)             |
| Swatch row 2        | Ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1 sp), turn; sk next st, dc in next st, [ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st] 7 times, ch 1, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch | (10 dc, 9 ch-1 sps) |
| Swatch row 3        | Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; [dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st] 8 times, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in 3rd ch of turning ch                                 | (19 dc)             |
| Swatch rows 4 to 11 | Repeat swatch rows 2 and 3 in turn: every even-numbered row is worked as swatch row 2, every odd-numbered row as swatch row 3.                         |                     |

For another width, add or take away 2 chains at a time: each 2 chains adds one more repeat of each bracketed group, and 2 more stitches to a row that has no brackets. Measure your own gauge first.

## Before you start

- The ch 4 at the start of a row counts as a dc and a ch-1 sp. The last stitch of the next row is worked into its 3rd ch.
- 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.
- Row 1 is the right side.
- The number of rows is our estimate: yours may differ, and the length does not change the stitch count.
- Leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) when you begin, and weave it in at the end with the others.

## Instructions

Chosen: Standard. 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 dc is treble.

- ☐ **Foundation** Ch 165.
- ☐ **Row 1 (RS)** Dc in 4th ch from hook (skipped chs count as dc) and in each ch across **(163 dc)**
- ☐ **Row 2** Ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1 sp), turn; sk next st, dc in next st, [ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st] **79 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch **(82 dc, 81 ch-1 sps)**
- ☐ **Row 3** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; [dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st] **80 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in 3rd ch of turning ch **(163 dc)**
- ☐ **Rows 4 to 105** Repeat rows 2 and 3 in turn: every even-numbered row is worked as row 2, every odd-numbered row as row 3.  
*Repeat until the piece measures about 60 in (152 cm), ending with a row worked as row 3: at our gauge that is row 105. Go by the tape measure, not the count.*

A box for each row, 4 to 105: tick them off as you go. The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

|    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |     |     |     |     |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 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  | 45  | 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 | 87 | 88 | 89 | 90 |
| 91 | 92 | 93 | 94 | 95 | 96 | 97 | 98 | 99 | 100 | 101 | 102 | 103 | 104 | 105 |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |

**Stop and measure when you have worked row 6.** 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.

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

## Finishing

- Weave in the ends.
- This pattern has no border, and every size given here is without one.

In all: 105 rows; 12,903 stitches; 2 ends to weave in.

**Also makes:** mesh band scarf and mesh band baby blanket, from the same stitch pattern. See the pattern's page at [flossfield.com/crochet/patterns/mesh-band-throw/](https://flossfield.com/crochet/patterns/mesh-band-throw/).

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