Mobius cowl

Regular · US terms



Finished size
About 28 in (71 cm) around, measured along the chain in the middle, by 7½ in (19 cm) wide

Skill
Intermediate
A chain joined with a half turn and worked on both sides, and puff stitches

Yarn
Medium (4)

Hook
5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge
14 stitches and 12 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn: heather purple, medium (4) **about 180 yd (165 m), an estimate**
Hook: 5 mm (US H-8), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a yarn needle, scissors, a tape measure and 1 stitch marker.

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
Regular (this file)	**28 in (71 cm) around, 7½ in (19 cm) wide**	**about 180 yd (165 m)**
Roomy	32 in (81 cm) around, 7½ in (19 cm) wide	about 210 yd (192 m)

Abbreviations

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

ch chain stitch
sl st slip stitch: insert hook in the place named, yo, pull through it and the loop on hook (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
dc double crochet (UK tr, treble)
Rnd round
sk skip (UK miss)
sp space
st stitch
yo yarn over (UK yrh, yarn round hook)

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Special stitches

puff (Puff stitch): [yo, insert hook in the st, yo, pull up a loop to the height of a dc] 4 times in the same st, yo, pull through all 9 loops on hook. In UK terms: a puff stitch to the height of a treble. It leaves 1 stitch for the next round.

Gauge

14 stitches and 12 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

Check it on the cowl itself when round 5 is done, laid flat and not stretched: 35 stitches of round 5 are about 10 in (25 cm) wide, and from edge to edge, across the chain in the middle, it is about 3 3/8 in (8.5 cm). If it measures more, start again with a smaller hook; if it measures less, with a larger one.

Before you start

- Do not turn at the end of a round. A ring with a half turn has no right side and no wrong side: the fronts of the stitches show on one half of the width and their backs on the other half, all the way round.
- Round 1: the first time along, put the hook under the two upper strands of each ch, and leave the third one, below, free. When you have worked the last ch you stand at the first ch again, at its other side. Do not join. Put a marker in the sc you have just made and go on along the other side, with the hook under the free strand of each ch, from the first ch to the last. Then you stand at the first sc: join.
- From round 2 on you work along one edge that goes round the ring two times. A round that seems to be double the length you expect is right.
- The ch 1 or ch 2 at the start of a round does not count as a stitch.
- In joined rounds, the first stitch of a round goes into the same stitch as the joining sl st (in round 1, the same chain). The joining sl st itself is not a stitch and is not worked into.
- The sc rounds have 1 sc in each stitch and 1 sc in each ch-1 sp of the round below.
- Leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) when you begin and when you fasten off, and weave them in at the end.
- When a ball runs out, work the last yarn over of a stitch with the next ball, and leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) on both.
- To wear it, put it on over the head with the half turn in front.

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Instructions

Chosen: Regular. 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 round is done. In UK terms sl st is slip stitch, sc is double crochet, dc is treble, sk is miss and yo is yarn round hook.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 98.	

The half turn: lay the chain in front of you with its flat side, the row of little Vs, up all along. Bring its two ends together to make a ring. Before you join them, turn the end with the hook over once, so that the Vs of the first ch face up and the Vs of the last ch face down. Join with sl st in the first ch. The half turn is now in the ring and stays there. Round 1 begins in this same first ch.

☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1, sc in each ch across, working along the other side of the chain, sc in each ch across; join with sl st in first sc	**(196 sc)**

Stop here and look at round 1: it goes along the chain two times, with 98 sc on each side of the chain, and the chain lies in the middle. If it does not, pull the round out and begin again at the half turn.

☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 2, **[**puff in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 98 times**; join with sl st in first puff	**(98 puffs, 98 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 98 times**; join with sl st in first sc	**(196 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 2, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 98 times**; join with sl st in first dc	**(98 dc, 98 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 98 times**; join with sl st in first sc	**(196 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 6 to 11**	Repeat rnds 2 to 5 in order, over and over. The last rnd, rnd 11, is worked as rnd 3.	

A box for each round, 6 to 11: tick them off as you go.

☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11

☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Finishing

- Weave in the ends with the yarn needle, changing direction once or twice.
- Wet it, lay it flat with the half turn in front, and let it dry.

In all: 11 rounds; 2 ends to weave in.

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