Moss stitch placemat

Standard · US terms



Finished size
About 11¾ × 18 in (30 × 46 cm)

Skill
Easy
Skipped stitches, chain spaces

Yarn
Medium (4), 2 colors

Hook
5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge
13 stitches and 17½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In moss stitch.

You will need

Yarn A: moss green, main — **about 130 yd (119 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: cream, stripe — **about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**
Fiber: cotton
Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9). Also: 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. The estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge, with 15 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Standard (this file)	**11¾ × 18 in (30 × 46 cm)**	**about 155 yd (142 m)**
Large	14¼ × 20 in (36 × 51 cm)	about 200 yd (182 m)

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)
RS right side
sk skip (UK miss)
sp space

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Gauge

13 stitches and 17½ rows to 4 in (10 cm) in moss stitch. Along a row, count every stitch and every chain between stitches as one.

Work a piece a little more than 4 in (10 cm) square, lay it flat and count. If you count more stitches than this, use a larger hook; if fewer, a smaller one.

Before you start

- The three chains skipped at the start of row 1 make the first turning ch sp, which row 2 works into.
- The ch 2 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch. It makes the turning ch sp, and the last stitch of the next row is worked into that space.
- 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.
- Leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) when you begin, and weave it in at the end with the others.
- For another width, add or take away 2 chains at a time: each 2 chains adds one more repeat of each bracketed group. Measure your own gauge first.
- 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.
- Use cotton yarn: it is absorbent and stands up to washing.

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 sc is double crochet and sk is miss.

Yarns in order of use: A, moss green; B, cream.

Check your width as you go: when row 14 is done, measure the width, across the middle of the rows and not along the chain edge. It is about 11¾ in (30 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.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 40.
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 4th ch from hook, **[**ch 1, sk next ch, sc in next ch**] 18 times** **(19 sc, 18 ch-1 sps, 1 turning ch sp)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 5**	Ch 2, turn; **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 18 times**, sc in turning ch sp **(19 sc, 18 ch-1 sps, 1 turning ch sp)**

A box for each row, 2 to 5: tick them off as you go.

☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5

Stripe in B, cream

☐ **Row 6**	With B, ch 2, turn; **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 18 times**, sc in turning ch sp **(19 sc, 18 ch-1 sps, 1 turning ch sp)**
☐ **Rows 7 to 9**	Ch 2, turn; **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 18 times**, sc in turning ch sp **(19 sc, 18 ch-1 sps, 1 turning ch sp)**

A box for each row, 7 to 9: tick them off as you go.

☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9

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Stripe in A, moss green

☐ **Row 10** With A, ch 2, turn; **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 18 times**, sc in turning ch sp
(19 sc, 18 ch-1 sps, 1 turning ch sp)

☐ **Row 11** Ch 2, turn; **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 18 times**, sc in turning ch sp
(19 sc, 18 ch-1 sps, 1 turning ch sp)

Stripe in B, cream

☐ **Row 12** With B, ch 2, turn; **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 18 times**, sc in turning ch sp
(19 sc, 18 ch-1 sps, 1 turning ch sp)

☐ **Row 13** Ch 2, turn; **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 18 times**, sc in turning ch sp
(19 sc, 18 ch-1 sps, 1 turning ch sp)

Stripe in A, moss green

☐ **Row 14** With A, ch 2, turn; **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 18 times**, sc in turning ch sp
(19 sc, 18 ch-1 sps, 1 turning ch sp)

☐ **Rows 15 to 66** Ch 2, turn; **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 18 times**, sc in turning ch sp
(19 sc, 18 ch-1 sps, 1 turning ch sp)

A box for each row, 15 to 66: tick them off as you go.

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

Stripe in B, cream

☐ **Row 67** With B, ch 2, turn; **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 18 times**, sc in turning ch sp
(19 sc, 18 ch-1 sps, 1 turning ch sp)

☐ **Row 68** Ch 2, turn; **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 18 times**, sc in turning ch sp
(19 sc, 18 ch-1 sps, 1 turning ch sp)

Stripe in A, moss green

☐ **Row 69** With A, ch 2, turn; **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 18 times**, sc in turning ch sp
(19 sc, 18 ch-1 sps, 1 turning ch sp)

☐ **Row 70** Ch 2, turn; **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 18 times**, sc in turning ch sp
(19 sc, 18 ch-1 sps, 1 turning ch sp)

Stripe in B, cream

☐ **Row 71** With B, ch 2, turn; **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 18 times**, sc in turning ch sp
(19 sc, 18 ch-1 sps, 1 turning ch sp)

☐ **Rows 72 to 74** Ch 2, turn; **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 18 times**, sc in turning ch sp
(19 sc, 18 ch-1 sps, 1 turning ch sp)

A box for each row, 72 to 74: tick them off as you go.

72 73 74

Stripe in A, moss green

☐ **Row 75** With A, ch 2, turn; **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 18 times**, sc in turning ch sp
(19 sc, 18 ch-1 sps, 1 turning ch sp)

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☐ **Rows 76 to 79** Ch 2, turn; **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 18 times**, sc in turning ch sp
(19 sc, 18 ch-1 sps, 1 turning ch sp)

A box for each row, 76 to 79: tick them off as you go.

76 77 78 79

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

Finishing

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

In all: 79 rows; 1,501 stitches; 18 ends to weave in.

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