Moss stitch washcloth

Standard · US terms



Finished size
About 9¼ × 8½ in (23 × 22 cm)

Skill
Easy
Chain spaces

Yarn
Medium (4), 3 colors

Hook
5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge
14 stitches and 16½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In moss stitch.

You will need

Yarn A: powder blue, main	**about 35 yd (32 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: warm white, stripe	**about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: navy, stripe	**about 7 yd (6 m), an estimate**

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8). 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)	**9¼ × 8½ in (23 × 22 cm)**	**about 67 yd (61 m)**
Small	7¾ × 7 in (20 × 18 cm)	about 46 yd (41 m)

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Abbreviations

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

ch	chain stitch
sl st	slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
Rnd	round
RS	right side
sk	skip (UK miss)
sp	space
st	stitch
yo	yarn over (UK yrh, yarn round hook)

Gauge

14 stitches and 16½ 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 ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.
- Every row has the same number of places: each single crochet is one and each chain space is one.
- To change yarn, work the last yarn over of the last stitch of the row before with the new yarn. If the old yarn is needed again after only 2 or 4 rows of another yarn, leave it hanging at the edge and bring it loosely up the side when you need it. Otherwise cut it, leaving a tail of about 6 in (15 cm), and leave a tail of the same length on the new yarn.
- 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.
- The ch 1 at the start of a round does not count as a stitch.
- To join a yarn with a sl st, make a slip knot of it on the hook, put the hook in the place named, yo and pull through both loops.
- Edging: work along the last row, down the ends of the rows, along the other side of the foundation chain and up the ends of the rows. The 3 sc in one place turn a corner.
- Use cotton yarn: it takes up water 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 sl st is slip stitch, sc is double crochet, sk is miss and yo is yarn round hook.

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Washcloth

Yarns in order of use: A, powder blue; B, warm white; C, navy.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 32.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, **[**ch 1, sk next ch, sc in next ch**] 15 times**	**(16 sc, 15 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 14 times**, sc in last st	**(17 sc, 14 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 14 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(16 sc, 15 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 14 times**, sc in last st	**(17 sc, 14 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 14 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(16 sc, 15 ch-1 sps)**

Stripe in B, warm white

☐ **Row 6**	With B, ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 14 times**, sc in last st	**(17 sc, 14 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Row 7**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 14 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(16 sc, 15 ch-1 sps)**

Stripe in C, navy

☐ **Row 8**	With C, ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 14 times**, sc in last st	**(17 sc, 14 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Row 9**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 14 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(16 sc, 15 ch-1 sps)**

Stripe in B, warm white

☐ **Row 10**	With B, ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 14 times**, sc in last st	**(17 sc, 14 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Row 11**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 14 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(16 sc, 15 ch-1 sps)**

Stripe in A, powder blue

☐ **Row 12**	With A, ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 14 times**, sc in last st	**(17 sc, 14 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Row 13**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 14 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(16 sc, 15 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Row 14**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 14 times**, sc in last st	**(17 sc, 14 ch-1 sps)**

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☐ **Rows 15 to 22**	Repeat rows 13 and 14 in turn: every even-numbered row is worked as row 14, every odd-numbered row as row 13.	

A box for each row, 15 to 22: tick them off as you go.

☐ 15 ☐ 16 ☐ 17 ☐ 18 ☐ 19 ☐ 20 ☐ 21 ☐ 22

Stripe in B, warm white

☐ **Row 23**	With B, ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 14 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(16 sc, 15 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Row 24**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 14 times**, sc in last st	**(17 sc, 14 ch-1 sps)**

Stripe in C, navy

☐ **Row 25**	With C, ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 14 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(16 sc, 15 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Row 26**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 14 times**, sc in last st	**(17 sc, 14 ch-1 sps)**

Stripe in B, warm white

☐ **Row 27**	With B, ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 14 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(16 sc, 15 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Row 28**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 14 times**, sc in last st	**(17 sc, 14 ch-1 sps)**

Stripe in A, powder blue

☐ **Row 29**	With A, ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 14 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(16 sc, 15 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Row 30**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 14 times**, sc in last st	**(17 sc, 14 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Row 31**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 14 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(16 sc, 15 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Row 32**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 14 times**, sc in last st	**(17 sc, 14 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Row 33**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 14 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in last st	**(16 sc, 15 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

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Edging

Yarn B, warm white.

Where the last row has chain spaces, every stitch and every chain space of it counts as one st here: work 1 sc into each stitch and 1 sc into each space.

☐ **Foundation**	Work around the edge of the piece, right side facing: the 31 sts of the last row, the ends of the 33 rows, the 31 chs of the foundation, the ends of the 33 rows.
☐ **Rnd 1**	Join B with sl st in first st, ch 1, 3 sc in first st, sc in next 29 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in end of each of next 33 rows, 3 sc in next ch, sc in next 29 chs, 3 sc in next ch, sc in end of each of next 33 rows; join with sl st in first sc **(136 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.

Finishing

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

In all: 2 pieces; 680 stitches (544 in the washcloth, 136 in the edging); 20 ends to weave in.

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