No sew towel topper, no button

Half towel · US terms



Finished size

Fan about 9½ in (24 cm) wide and 5 in (13 cm) tall; strap about 1¼ in (3 cm) wide and 7 in (18 cm) long from the slot to its end; heart about 3¼ in (8.5 cm) wide; for a rail up to 1¼ in (3 cm) thick

Skill

Easy

V-stitches, and a first row worked through a towel

Yarn

Medium (4), 2 colors

Hook

4 mm (US G-6)

Gauge

16 stitches and 14 rows to 4 in (10 cm)

In half double crochet (UK half treble).

What you need

Yarn A: sage, main color	**about 30 yd (27 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: cream, the heart, part of the topper and the lobes	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 25 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 4 mm (US G-6), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a kitchen towel 16 to 20 in (40 to 50 cm) wide: the whole towel, or half of it (half of it makes one topper), an awl or a thick yarn needle to punch the holes, a pencil, a ruler and an iron, a yarn needle, scissors, pins and a tape measure and 2 stitch markers.

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
Half towel (this file)	**9½ in (24 cm) wide, 5 in (13 cm) tall**	**about 45 yd (41 m)**
Whole towel	12½ in (32 cm) wide, 6¾ in (17 cm) tall	about 55 yd (50 m)

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Gauge

16 stitches and 14 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in half double crochet.

Check it on the heart, which is worked first, laid flat, when row 8 is done: the 13 stitches of row 8 are about 3¼ in (8.5 cm) wide and the 8 rows are about 2¼ in (5.5 cm) tall. If they measure more, start again with a smaller hook; if they measure less, with a larger one.

Notes

- The ch 1 or ch 2 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.
- A V is (dc, ch 1, dc) in one place. From row 3 on each V is worked into the ch-1 space of the V below; the stitches on either side of that space are passed over. In the first row of every narrowing the first and the last V of the row below get 1 dc in their space instead of a V; in the row after it these 2 dc are passed over.
- 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, when you join a yarn and when you fasten off, unless another length is given. The ends that are not sewn with are woven in.
- Stitches in parentheses are all worked into the one place named after them. "5 sc in next ch-5 sp" puts all 5 stitches in that one place.
- 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 the place and the loop on the hook.
- Use cotton yarn: it stands up to washing.
- Buy whole balls from one dye lot.

Instructions

Half towel. 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), **sp** space, **st** stitch.

sc2tog 2 sc made into one. **FLO**: only the loop nearest you. **sk** skip, **yo** yarn over the hook, **RS** right side, the one that shows.

ch-1 sp: the gap under the one chain; the hook goes in the gap.

[ ] 12 times: work what is inside 12 times in all. **( )**: all of it goes into the one place.

(1 sc): the stitches you have when the row is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Heart

Yarn B, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, ch 2.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook	(1 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; 3 hdc in first st	(3 hdc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next st, 2 hdc in last st	(5 hdc)
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next 3 sts, 2 hdc in last st	(7 hdc)

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☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn; 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next 5 sts, 2 hdc in last st	(9 hdc)
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn; 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next 7 sts, 2 hdc in last st	(11 hdc)
☐ **Row 7**	Ch 1, turn; 2 hdc in first st, hdc in next 9 sts, 2 hdc in last st	(13 hdc)
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(13 hdc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Topper

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

First prepare the towel.

Towel: fold the towel in half so that its two short ends meet, and cut it along the fold. Lay one half with its wrong side up and the cut edge at the top. Fold the cut edge down ½ in (12 mm), and ½ in (12 mm) once more, press it flat and pin it. This hem, three layers thick, is the top edge of the towel; it needs no seam, because row 1 of the topper is worked through all three layers and holds it.

Holes: measure the top edge from side to side and take off 1 in (2.5 cm). Divide what is left by 37: this is the distance from hole to hole. (An edge of 16 in (40 cm) gives about 3/8 in, 10 mm.) Mark the first hole ½ in (12 mm) in from one side and the next ones at that distance, 38 marks in all, all of them ¼ in (6 mm) below the top edge. Punch a hole at each mark with the awl, through all layers, wide enough for the hook.

Row 1 joins the topper to the towel. Make the foundation chain. Hold the towel with its right side facing you and the holes at the top, and hold the chain behind the towel, along the holes, so that the hook is at your right. Each sc of row 1 is worked through the towel and the chain at once: put the hook from the front to the back through the next hole and then through the next chain behind it (for the first sc the 2nd chain from the hook), yo, pull up a loop to the top edge of the towel, yo, pull through both loops on hook. Work from right to left, 38 sc in 38 holes. The edge of the towel lies inside the stitches, the chain lies behind it, and the towel, which is wider than the chain, makes a small gather between every two holes.

From row 2 on work in the stitches alone, as in any other cloth. The side of the towel that faced you in row 1 is the right side.

Row 47 joins the heart. It is a plain seam of two edges. Put a stitch marker in the 5th and in the 9th of the 13 hdc of row 8 of the heart: these two and the 3 hdc between them are its middle 5. Work the ch 1 of row 47 and turn, so that the strap has its right side facing you and its last row at the top. Hold the heart behind the strap with its point down, so that the tops of row 8 stand level with the last row of the strap and the right side of the heart faces you and touches the wrong side of the strap (row 1 of the heart is a right side row). The 5 stitches of the strap stand in front of the middle 5 hdc. Work each sc of row 47 through both edges: put the hook from the front to the back under both loops of the next stitch of the strap and then under the back loop alone, the loop farther from you, of the hdc behind it, yo, pull up a loop, yo, pull through both loops on hook. The yarn is behind the heart all the time.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 39.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(38 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	With B, ch 2, turn; dc in first st, **[**sk next st, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 12 times**, dc in last st	(26 dc, 12 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 2, turn; dc in first st, **[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-1 sp**] 12 times**, sk next st, dc in last st	(26 dc, 12 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 4**	With A, ch 2, turn; dc in first st, dc in next ch-1 sp, **[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-1 sp**] 10 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, sk next st, dc in last st	(24 dc, 10 ch-1 sps)

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☐ **Row 5**	Ch 2, turn; dc in first st, **[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-1 sp**] 10 times**, sk next 2 sts, dc in last st	(22 dc, 10 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 2, turn; dc in first st, dc in next ch-1 sp, **[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-1 sp**] 8 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, sk next st, dc in last st	(20 dc, 8 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 7**	Ch 2, turn; dc in first st, **[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-1 sp**] 8 times**, sk next 2 sts, dc in last st	(18 dc, 8 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 2, turn; dc in first st, dc in next ch-1 sp, **[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-1 sp**] 6 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, sk next st, dc in last st	(16 dc, 6 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 9**	Ch 2, turn; dc in first st, **[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-1 sp**] 6 times**, sk next 2 sts, dc in last st	(14 dc, 6 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 10**	Ch 2, turn; dc in first st, dc in next ch-1 sp, **[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-1 sp**] 4 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, sk next st, dc in last st	(12 dc, 4 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 11**	Ch 2, turn; dc in first st, **[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-1 sp**] 4 times**, sk next 2 sts, dc in last st	(10 dc, 4 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 12**	Ch 2, turn; dc in first st, dc in next ch-1 sp, **[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-1 sp**] 2 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, sk next st, dc in last st	(8 dc, 2 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 13**	Ch 2, turn; dc in first st, **[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-1 sp**] 2 times**, sk next 2 sts, dc in last st	(6 dc, 2 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 14**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 2 sts, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc2tog, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next 2 sts	(6 sc, 1 sc2tog)
☐ **Row 15**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(7 sc)
☐ **Row 16**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next st, ch 5, sk next 5 sts, sc in last st	(2 sc, 1 ch-5 sp)
☐ **Row 17**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, 5 sc in next ch-5 sp, sc in last st	(7 sc)
☐ **Row 18**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(7 sc)
☐ **Row 19**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog	(3 sc, 2 sc2tog)
☐ **Rows 20 to 46**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(5 sc)
☐ **Row 47**	With B, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(5 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off and take out the markers. Open the seam out: the heart points away from the strap, and its right side lies on the same side as the wrong side of the strap.	

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

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Lobes

Yarn B, cream.

The lobes finish the top of the heart once the strap is joined to it. Hold the heart with its right side facing you and the tops of row 8 at the top; the strap stands up behind this edge. Work from right to left in the 13 hdc of row 8. The middle one is the 7th: its back loop holds the middle sc of row 47, so this sc goes into the front loop alone, the loop nearer to you. The 2 sts on either side of it are skipped. Both shells lie in front of the strap.

☐ **Foundation**	Work along the last row of the heart, right side facing: 13 sts.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Join B with sl st in first st, ch 1, sc in first st, sk next 2 sts, 7 dc in next st, sk next 2 sts, sc in FLO of next st, sk next 2 sts, 7 dc in next st, sk next 2 sts, sc in last st	(3 sc, 14 dc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Assembly

1. Weave in all the ends, on the wrong sides.

2. To hang it, bring the strap up in front of the rail, over it and down behind it. Fold the heart in half lengthwise and push it, point first, through the slot of the strap from the back to the front. Open the heart: it is wider than the slot and lies in front of the fan, its right side toward you. To take the towel down, fold the heart and draw it back through the slot.

Finishing

- Wash the towel with its topper, pull the heart and the fan to shape while they are wet and let it dry flat.

In all: 2 pieces; 494 stitches (62 in the heart, 415 in the topper, 17 in the lobes).

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