# Office chair seat cover

Medium · US terms



Finished size

**About 18 in (45.5 cm) square across the top, with a skirt 68½ in (174 cm) round and about 5¼ in (13.5 cm) deep, for a seat 17½ in (44.5 cm) to 19 in (48.5 cm) wide and deep, with round corners, and 2 in (5 cm) to 3½ in (9 cm) thick**

Skill

**Easy**

The top is one granny square, the sides are plain rounds without a single increase or decrease, and a cord draws them in.

Yarn

**Medium (4), 3 colors**

Hook

**5 mm (US H-8)**

Gauge

**14 stitches and 7 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)**

In double crochet (UK treble).

## What you need

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| Yarn A: sage, the skirt, the cord and the square | **about 550 yd (503 m), an estimate** |
| Yarn B: cream, the square | **about 85 yd (78 m), an estimate** |
| Yarn C: ochre, the square | **about 45 yd (41 m), an estimate** |

By weight: about 340 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Fiber: cotton or acrylic

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a safety pin, to thread the cord, a yarn needle and scissors.

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 30 percent added.

## Sizes

| Size | Finished size, about | Yarn, an estimate |
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| **Medium (this file)** | **18 in (45.5 cm) square, 68½ in (174 cm) round** | **about 680 yd (622 m)** |
| **Large** | 20¼ in (51.5 cm) square, 77¾ in (197.5 cm) round | about 790 yd (722 m) |


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## Gauge

**14 stitches and 7 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)** in double crochet.

14 stitches and 10 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in half double crochet, worked in the round.

**Check your gauge on the piece.** Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. The gauge is checked on the piece itself: after round 8 the square should measure about 9¼ in (23.5 cm) across, laid flat and not stretched. If the piece measures more than that, begin again with a smaller hook; if it measures less, with a larger hook.

## Notes

- The square begins with a small ring of 4 chains. The chain of 3 at the start of a round counts as its first double crochet. The right side faces you in every round.
- Where a round of the square begins in a new color, fasten off the old one first, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm), and join the new one in a corner space, another corner each time, so that the joins do not all lie in one place. Where two rounds running have the same color, slip stitch into the next 2 double crochet and the chain-2 space of the corner just joined, and begin there.
- The last round of the square has the same group of 3 double crochet and 1 chain in every space, in the corner spaces too; that rounds the corners. The first round of the skirt has one half double crochet in each double crochet and one in each chain-1 space. The rounds after it are worked into the stitches alone, down to the round of holes for the cord. The last round is worked into the stitches of the round of holes and into its chain-1 spaces, one half double crochet in each.
- In the skirt the chain of 2 at the start of a round does not count as a stitch; the first stitch goes into the stitch the round before was joined in. In the first round of the skirt that is the top of the chain of 3.
- Measure the seat straight across its top at its widest place, from edge to edge, both from side to side and from front to back. The two measures may differ by up to 1 in (2.5 cm); go by the larger; a seat of just 19 in (48.5 cm) takes the Large. A seat at the top of its size stretches the cover by about a twentieth. The skirt is meant for a seat pad with a free edge all round beneath it: an arm or a back that is fixed to the edge of the pad leaves no room for it. How thick the seat is decides how the skirt is shared: of its 5¼ in (13.5 cm), a seat 2 in (5 cm) thick takes 2 in (5 cm) for its sides and leaves 3¼ in (8.5 cm) to turn in beneath, and a seat 3½ in (9 cm) thick takes 3½ in (9 cm) and leaves 1¾ in (4.5 cm).
- Colors, round by round. Round 1: C. Round 2: B. Round 3: C. Round 4: B. Rounds 5 to 6: A. Round 7: B. Round 8: C. Round 9: B. Rounds 10 to 11: A. Round 12: B. Round 13: C. Round 14: B. Rounds 15 to 29: A.

## Instructions

Medium. US terms.

**ch** chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **hdc** half double crochet (UK half treble), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **st** stitch, **sp** space, **rnd** round.
**sk** skip, **RS** right side, the one that shows.
**ch-2 sp**: the gap under two chains; the hook goes in the gap.
**[ ] 3 times**: work what is inside 3 times in all. **( )**: all of it goes into the one place.
**(12 dc, 4 ch-2 sps)**: the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

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

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| ☐ **Foundation** | Ch 4, sl st in first ch to form a ring. |
| ☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)** | Ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in ring, ch 2, **[**3 dc in ring, ch 2**] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join<br>(12 dc, 4 ch-2 sps) |


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| ☐ **Rnd 2** | Join B with sl st in any ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1,<br>**[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1**] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join | (24 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 4 ch-1 sps) |
| ☐ **Rnd 3** | Join C with sl st in any ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1,<br>3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1,<br>**[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 3 times**,<br>sl st in top of ch-3 to join | (36 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 8 ch-1 sps) |
| ☐ **Rnd 4** | Join B with sl st in any ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1,<br>**[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 2 times**,<br>**[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 2 times] 3 times**,<br>sl st in top of ch-3 to join | (48 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 12 ch-1 sps) |
| ☐ **Rnd 5** | Join A with sl st in any ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1,<br>**[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 3 times**,<br>**[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 3 times] 3 times**,<br>sl st in top of ch-3 to join | (60 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 16 ch-1 sps) |
| ☐ **Rnd 6** | Sl st in next 2 sts, sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc),<br>(2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 4 times**,<br>**[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 4 times] 3 times**,<br>sl st in top of ch-3 to join | (72 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 20 ch-1 sps) |
| ☐ **Rnd 7** | Join B with sl st in any ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1,<br>**[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 5 times**,<br>**[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 5 times] 3 times**,<br>sl st in top of ch-3 to join | (84 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 24 ch-1 sps) |
| ☐ **Rnd 8** | Join C with sl st in any ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1,<br>**[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 6 times**,<br>**[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 6 times] 3 times**,<br>sl st in top of ch-3 to join | (96 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 28 ch-1 sps) |

**Stop and measure now, after round 8.** The square should measure about 9¼ in (23.5 cm) across.

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| ☐ **Rnd 9** | Join B with sl st in any ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1,<br>**[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 7 times**,<br>**[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 7 times] 3 times**,<br>sl st in top of ch-3 to join | (108 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 32 ch-1 sps) |
| ☐ **Rnd 10** | Join A with sl st in any ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1,<br>**[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 8 times**,<br>**[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 8 times] 3 times**,<br>sl st in top of ch-3 to join | (120 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 36 ch-1 sps) |
| ☐ **Rnd 11** | Sl st in next 2 sts, sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc),<br>(2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 9 times**,<br>**[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 9 times] 3 times**,<br>sl st in top of ch-3 to join | (132 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 40 ch-1 sps) |
| ☐ **Rnd 12** | Join B with sl st in any ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1,<br>**[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 10 times**,<br>**[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 10 times] 3 times**,<br>sl st in top of ch-3 to join | (144 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 44 ch-1 sps) |


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| ☐ **Rnd 13** | Join C with sl st in any ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 11 times**,<br>**[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 11 times] 3 times**,<br>sl st in top of ch-3 to join | (156 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 48 ch-1 sps) |
| ☐ **Rnd 14** | Join B with sl st in any ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 12 times**,<br>**[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 12 times] 3 times**,<br>sl st in top of ch-3 to join | (168 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 52 ch-1 sps) |
| ☐ **Rnd 15** | Join A with sl st in any ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 13 times**,<br>**[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 13 times] 3 times**,<br>sl st in top of ch-3 to join | (180 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 56 ch-1 sps) |
| ☐ **Rnd 16** | Sl st in next 2 sts, sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 14 times**,<br>**[**3 dc in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 14 times] 3 times**,<br>sl st in top of ch-3 to join | (180 dc, 60 ch-1 sps) |

### Skirt

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| ☐ **Rnd 17** | Ch 2, **[**hdc in next 3 sts, hdc in next ch-1 sp**] 60 times**, sl st in first hdc to join | (240 hdc) |
| ☐ **Rnds 18 to 27** | Ch 2, hdc in each st around, sl st in first hdc to join | (240 hdc) |

18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27

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| ☐ **Rnd 28** | Ch 2, **[**hdc in next 3 sts, ch 1, sk next st**] 60 times**, sl st in first hdc to join | (180 hdc, 60 ch-1 sps) |
| ☐ **Rnd 29** | Ch 2, **[**hdc in next 3 sts, hdc in next ch-1 sp**] 60 times**, sl st in first hdc to join | (240 hdc) |
| ☐ **End** | Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm). | |

### Assembly

**1.** Weave in all the tails on the wrong side, the tail of the first ring round the middle.

**2.** Cord: with two strands of A held together make a chain about 96 in (244 cm) long and fasten off. Knot each end close to the chain and trim the tails. With the safety pin thread it in and out through the 60 holes of round 28, beginning at the hole nearest to the join of the rounds and ending at the hole next to it, with both ends on the outside. Spread the edge out until it is as wide as the skirt; each end of the cord then hangs out by about 13 in (33 cm). Tie the two ends together in one loose knot, so that neither can slip back through the holes while the cover goes on.

**3.** Lay the cover over the seat with its right side up and the join of the rounds, which is at a corner, at one of the back corners, and pull each round corner down over a corner of the seat. The skirt is the same width all the way down, so the edge goes over the seat without being forced. Draw the skirt straight down the sides. Undo the loose knot, draw the cord tight beneath the seat, so that all of the skirt that hangs below the seat, 1¾ in (4.5 cm) to 3¼ in (8.5 cm) of it according to how thick the seat is, is gathered flat against its underside, tie it in a bow, and tuck the bow and the ends in between the skirt and the seat, well away from levers and wheels.

## Finishing

- Wash the cover as the yarn band says and dry it flat before its first use.

In all: 29 rounds; 4,680 stitches.

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