Puff V-stitch washcloth

Standard · US terms



Finished size
About 8 × 8 in (20 × 20 cm)

Skill
Intermediate
Puff stitches

Yarn
Medium (4)

Hook
5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge
13 stitches and 8 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In puff V-stitch.

You will need

Yarn: powder blue, medium (4) **about 70 yd (64 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)	**8 × 8 in (20 × 20 cm)**	**about 70 yd (64 m)**
Small	7 × 7 in (18 × 18 cm)	about 55 yd (50 m)
Large	9 × 9 in (23 × 23 cm)	about 90 yd (82 m)
Extra large	9¾ × 10 in (25 × 25 cm)	about 105 yd (96 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
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
RS	right side
sk	skip (UK miss)
sp	space
st	stitch
yo	yarn over (UK yrh, yarn round hook)

Special stitches

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

Gauge

13 stitches and 8 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in puff V-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 3 at the start of a row counts as a dc. The last stitch of the next row is worked into the top of it. In row 1 the 3 chains nearest the hook stand for that first dc and the last chain you made is its top; the fourth skipped chain is only passed over. The last dc of row 2 goes into that top.
- 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.
- Stitches in parentheses are all worked into the one place named after them.
- 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 3 chains at a time: each 3 chains adds one more repeat of each bracketed group. Measure your own gauge first.
- Use cotton yarn: it is absorbent and stands up to washing.

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Instructions

Chosen: Standard. Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. Round brackets ( ) inside a line hold stitches that all go into one place. 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 dc is treble, sk is miss and yo is yarn round hook.

Check your width as you go: when row 6 is done, measure the width, across the middle of the rows and not along the chain edge. It is about 8 in (20 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**	Ch 28.
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	(puff, ch 1, puff) in 5th ch from hook (skipped chs count as dc), **[**sk next 2 chs, (puff, ch 1, puff) in next ch**] 7 times**, sk next ch, dc in next ch **(2 dc, 16 puffs, 8 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 16**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**(puff, ch 1, puff) in next ch-1 sp**] 8 times**, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch **(2 dc, 16 puffs, 8 ch-1 sps)**

A box for each row, 2 to 16: tick them off as you go.

☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12 ☐ 13 ☐ 14 ☐ 15 ☐ 16

☐ **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: 16 rows; 2 ends to weave in.

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