Pull tab bracelet

US terms



Finished size
About 8 in (20 cm) long and 1 5/8 in (4 cm) wide, without the button loops

Skill
Easy
Worked in rows, with color changes.

Yarn
Super fine (1), 2 colors

Hook
2.5 mm

Gauge
26 stitches and 27 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn A: bright red, rows 1 and 11 **about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: charcoal, rows 2 to 10 **about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**
By weight: about 10 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 400 yd (366 m).

Hook: 2.5 mm, or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a yarn needle, scissors, pins for blocking, 12 pull tabs from drink cans, about 1 in (2.5 cm) long and 5/8 in (1.5 cm) wide, two 3/8 in (1 cm) buttons, sewing thread and a needle for the buttons, a fine file or sandpaper and a spray bottle.

Before you start

- A chain 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.

Gauge

26 stitches and 27 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet. 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.

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Instructions

US terms.

sc single crochet (UK dc), **ch** chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **rem** remaining, **st** stitch.
(52 sc): the row now has 52; a check, not a step. Not 52? **Pull it back**.
Every stitch, drawn: flossfield.com/crochet/stitches.

☐ **Start**	With A, make a slip knot and ch 53.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across	(52 sc)
	Fasten off A.	
☐ **Row 2**	Turn, join B with sl st in first st, ch 1, sc in each st across	(52 sc)
☐ **Rows 3 to 10**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(52 sc)
	3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10	
	Fasten off B.	
☐ **Row 11**	Turn, join A with sl st in first st, ch 1, sc in each st across	(52 sc)
☐	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.	

Finishing

- Block: pin the bracelet to shape on a flat surface, spray it with water and let it dry.
- Pull tabs: wash and dry the tabs. Bend what is left of the rivet flat and file every sharp edge smooth.
- Lay the cuff flat, right side up, row 11 at the top. Left and right are as you look at it.
- Laying the tabs: lay the 12 tabs upright side by side along the cuff, their long sides touching. The middle of each lies on the middle row (row 6), so that about 5/16 in (1 cm) of the cuff shows above it and below it. The long side of the first tab lies along the left short edge, and ½ in (1.5 cm) of the cuff is left free at the right short edge for the buttons. The middle row and the numbers of the rows below are those of the cuff of 11 rows. From the left, the 1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th and 11th tabs have the finger hole at the top, the other six at the bottom.
- Sewing the tabs: with the yarn needle and lengths of A, sew one tab after the other from left to right, in eight upright straight stitches each, through the holes and the cuff. Work three side by side over the end at the finger hole, from that hole to the cuff just past the end of the tab; two over the bar, from the small hole to the finger hole; and three over the end at the small hole, from that hole to the cuff just past the end of the tab. Each stitch is about ¼ in (0.5 cm) long, as long as the metal under it needs, and the stitches of a group are 1/8 in (0.5 cm) apart, the group in the middle of the tab. Draw each stitch tight, so that the tab does not move.
- Buttons: with sewing thread, sew on two buttons at the right short edge, the middle of each ¼ in (0.5 cm) from that edge, one 7/16 in (1 cm) above the lower edge, which is the line between rows 3 and 4, and one as far below the upper edge, which is the line between rows 8 and 9.
- Button loops: on the left short edge, join A with a slip stitch in the end of row 3, ch 9 (a chain of about 1 1/8 in (3 cm); in another yarn as many chains as make that length), work a slip stitch in the end of row 4 and fasten off. Work a second loop in the same way from the end of row 8 to the end of row 9. In another yarn work each loop from the ends of the two rows that lie level with the middle of its button. Pull each loop over its button to see that it holds; work a chain more or less if it does not.
- Weave in all the ends that are left with the yarn needle.

In all: 11 rows; 572 stitches.

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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 and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Notes

- Where a line says turn, turn the piece over and work back along the stitches just made.
- Fasten off the old color, then join the new one with a slip stitch in the place named; the first stitch or chain of the line is worked in that same place.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line count its stitches; slip stitches are not counted.
- The odd-numbered rows are worked with the right side facing. Row 1 and row 11 are the red edges.
- A pull tab has a hole at each end. The larger one, for the finger, is called the finger hole here, the other the small hole, and the metal between them the bar.
- For another length or another yarn: the tabs keep their size, so count them first. Every tab takes 5/8 in (1.5 cm) of the cuff, and the buttons take ½ in (1.5 cm) more; 12 tabs take 8 in (20 cm). Work as many stitches as that length takes by the gauge of your yarn, and the odd number of rows that comes nearest to 1 5/8 in (4 cm) in width, the first row and the last in A and all the others in B. A belt or a bag strap with 48 tabs is 30½ in (77 cm) long.
- The distances under FINISHING are the same in every yarn, because the tabs and the buttons keep their size.
- Straight stitch (sewn): bring the yarn needle up from the back at one end of the stitch and put it down at the other end.
- The same words in another yarn make another size, measured along the cuff (the tabs keep their size, so the stitches and rows are then counted again as NOTES says): lace yarn (0) and a 1.75 mm hook, about 6 in (15 cm); fine yarn (2) and a 3.25 mm hook, about 10 in (25 cm); light yarn (3) and a 4 mm hook, about 11½ in (29 cm).

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