Pumpkin mug cozy

Regular · US terms



Finished size
About 9 × 3 in (23 × 8 cm)
About 9 in (23 cm) long with its edging, without the tab, and 3 in (7.5 cm) tall

Skill
Intermediate
Two or three colors are used in most of the rows, and those not in use are carried inside the stitches.

Yarn
Light (3), 4 colors

Hook
3.5 mm (US E-4)

Gauge
20 stitches and 22 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: cream, the background	**about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: pumpkin orange, the pumpkins	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: rust, the grooves of the pumpkins	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: leaf green, the stems, the edging and the tab	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 3.5 mm (US E-4), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a wooden button about ½ in (12 mm) across, and a sewing needle and thread to sew it on, 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
Regular (this file)	**9 × 3 in (23 × 8 cm)**	**about 65 yd (59 m)**
Large	10¼ × 3 in (26 × 8 cm)	about 70 yd (64 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)
st	stitch
sp	space
sk	skip (UK miss)
rnd	round
RS	right side

Gauge

20 stitches and 22 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet. Along a row, count every stitch and every chain between stitches as one.

The swatch. A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. Where one color runs out, go on with the next. Lay it flat and count the stitches and rows over 4 in (10 cm) in its middle. There should be 20 stitches and 22 rows. If you count more stitches than that, change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, change to a smaller hook. The swatch can be pulled out and its yarn used again.

Swatch foundation	Ch 26.	
Swatch row 1 (RS)	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(25 sc)**
Swatch rows 2 to 28	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(25 sc)**

Before you start

- The chain of 1 at the start of a row or of the edging does not count as a stitch. The first stitch of a row goes into the first stitch of the row before, and the last into its last.
- Odd rows are worked with the right side facing you and even rows with the wrong side facing you. The words of each row are already in the order in which that row is worked.
- Tapestry crochet in rows: where a row has two or three colors, lay the color or colors not in use along the top of the row before and work over them, from the first stitch of that row to its last, so that they are carried inside the stitches. At the turn bring them up at the edge with the working yarn.
- To change color, at the start of a row or inside it, draw the new yarn through as the last yarn over of the stitch before. Join B and C at the start of row 3. After row 11 cut B and C; join D at the start of row 12 and cut it after row 13. Leave tails of 6 in (15 cm). A is never cut before the end of the band. In rows of one color nothing is carried.
- Keep the carried yarns easy: if they are drawn tight the band puckers.
- Measure round the mug below its handle. The regular band is for a mug 9½ in (24 cm) to 10½ in (26.5 cm) round, the large for one 10½ in (26.5 cm) to 11¾ in (30 cm). When it is round the mug the band does not meet: there is a gap at the handle, and the tab closes it. If that gap is wider than ¾ in (2 cm), work 4 more rows of the tab after row 7, before the row with the buttonhole.
- The space inside the handle should have room for a tab 1¼ in (3 cm) wide. The band is 3 in (7.5 cm) tall: the straight part of the mug should be at least as tall as that.

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- The band is a repeat of 13 stitches worked 3 times, with 2 stitches of A at each side. Each repeat is one pumpkin: the pumpkins are rows 3 to 11, the stems rows 12 and 13.
- Colors, row by row. Rows 1 to 2: A. Rows 3 to 11: A, B and C. Rows 12 to 13: A and D. Rows 14 to 15: A. The edging and the tab: D.

Instructions

Chosen: Regular. 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 and sk is miss.

Band

Yarns in order of use: A, cream; B, pumpkin orange; C, rust; D, leaf green.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 44.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(43 sc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(43 sc)**

Pumpkins

☐ **Row 3 (RS)**	Ch 1, turn; with A, sc in next 2 sts, **[**with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, sc in next 2 sts, with C, sc in next st, with B, sc in next st, with C, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 2 sts	**(43 sc)**
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; with A, sc in next 2 sts, **[**with A, sc in next 2 sts, with B, sc in next 2 sts, with C, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 3 sts, with C, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next 2 sts**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 2 sts	**(43 sc)**
☐ **Rows 5 to 9**	Ch 1, turn; with A, sc in next 2 sts, **[**with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 3 sts, with C, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 3 sts, with C, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next st**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 2 sts	**(43 sc)**

A box for each row, 5 to 9: tick them off as you go.

☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9

☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn; with A, sc in next 2 sts, **[**with A, sc in next 2 sts, with B, sc in next 2 sts, with C, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 3 sts, with C, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next 2 sts**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 2 sts	**(43 sc)**
☐ **Row 11**	Ch 1, turn; with A, sc in next 2 sts, **[**with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, sc in next 2 sts, with C, sc in next st, with B, sc in next st, with C, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 2 sts	**(43 sc)**

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☐ **Row 12**	Ch 1, turn; with A, sc in next 2 sts, **[**with A, sc in next 5 sts, with D, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 5 sts**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 2 sts	**(43 sc)**
☐ **Row 13**	Ch 1, turn; with A, sc in next 2 sts, **[**with A, sc in next 5 sts, with D, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next 6 sts**] 3 times**, with A, sc in next 2 sts	**(43 sc)**

Top

☐ **Rows 14 to 15**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(43 sc)**

A box for each row, 14 to 15: tick them off as you go.

14 15

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Edging

Yarn D, leaf green.

The first stitch is the one at the right end of the last row. The round goes along the last row, down the left side, along the foundation chain and up the right side. At a side work one single crochet in the end of each row; along the foundation chain work one under each chain. The first and the last stitch or chain of an edge is a corner and takes 3 single crochet.

☐ **Foundation**	The band just worked, 43 stitches and 15 rows; turn it so that its last row is at the top with the right side facing you.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Join D with sl st in first st, ch 1, 3 sc in same st, sc in next 41 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in end of each of next 15 rows, 3 sc in next ch, sc in next 41 chs, 3 sc in next ch, sc in end of each of next 15 rows, sl st in first sc to join	**(124 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Tab

Yarn D, leaf green.

Leave a tail of 16 in (41 cm) before the first chain: it sews the tab on.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 7.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 7**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(6 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 7: tick them off as you go.

2 3 4 5 6 7

☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 2 sts, ch 2, sk next 2 sts, sc in next 2 sts	**(4 sc, 1 ch-2 sp)**
☐ **Row 9**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next ch-2 sp, sc in next 2 sts	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(6 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm). The space in row 8 is the buttonhole.	

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Assembly

1. Weave in the tails of the band and of the edging, and the short tail of the tab, on the wrong side.

2. Lay the band with its right side up, its pumpkins standing upright. Put the foundation edge of the tab, 6 stitches, under the middle of the short edge at your left hand, about ¼ in (0.5 cm) in, with the right side of the tab up too, so that the rest of the tab sticks out to the left. Turn both over together and, with the long tail of the tab, sew its foundation edge to the wrong side of the band with one small stitch for each of its 6 stitches, taking care that the stitches do not show on the right side. Turn them back and with the same tail sew the edging of the band down on the tab, with 6 small stitches.

3. Wrap the band round the mug, right side out and foundation edge down, with its two ends at the handle. Pass the tab through the handle, between it and the mug, over the other end of the band. Draw it snug and mark where the middle of the buttonhole lies on the band.

4. Take the band off. With sewing thread sew the button to the right side of the band at the mark, with several stitches through its holes, and fasten the thread on the wrong side. Put the band back on the mug and button it.

Finishing

- Weave in on the wrong side what is left of the sewing tail.

In all: 2 pieces; 827 stitches (645 in the band, 124 in the edging, 58 in the tab).

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