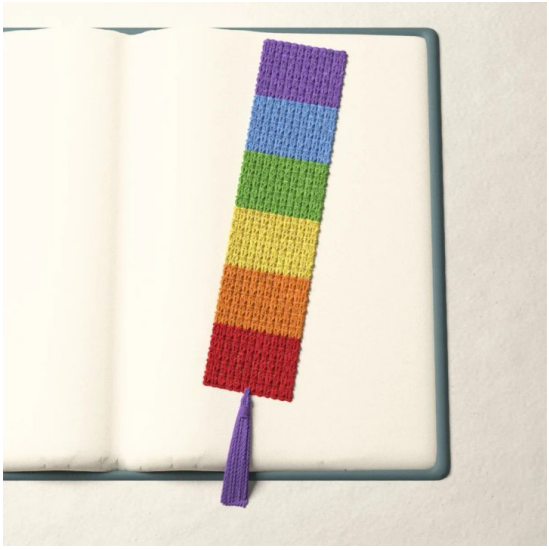
Rainbow bookmark

US terms



Finished size
About 1½ in (4 cm) wide and 6¼ in (16 cm) long, without the tassel

Skill
Easy
One stitch throughout, and color changes

Yarn
Lace (0), 6 colors

Hook
1.75 mm

Gauge
34 stitches and 38½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: red, main	**about 4 yd (4 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: pumpkin, stripe	**about 4 yd (4 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: lemon, stripe	**about 4 yd (4 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: leaf, stripe	**about 4 yd (4 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: cornflower, stripe	**about 4 yd (4 m), an estimate**
Yarn F: violet, stripe	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**

Hook: 1.75 mm. Also: a fine tapestry needle for the ends, scissors and a tape measure, an iron, and starch if you like it stiff and a piece of card 2½ in (6.5 cm) tall for the tassel.

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.

Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

ch	chain stitch
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
RS	right side
st	stitch

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Gauge

34 stitches and 38½ 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.

Before you start

- The ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.
- Size 10 crochet cotton is the thread the amounts are for.
- 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 and when you fasten off, unless another length is given. The ends that are not sewn with are woven in.

Instructions

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 sc is double crochet.

Yarns in order of use: A, red; B, pumpkin; C, lemon; D, leaf; E, cornflower; F, violet.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 13.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 10**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(12 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 10: tick them off as you go.

☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10

Stripe in B, pumpkin

☐ **Row 11**	With B, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rows 12 to 20**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(12 sc)**

A box for each row, 12 to 20: tick them off as you go.

☐ 12 ☐ 13 ☐ 14 ☐ 15 ☐ 16 ☐ 17 ☐ 18 ☐ 19 ☐ 20

Stripe in C, lemon

☐ **Row 21**	With C, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rows 22 to 30**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(12 sc)**

A box for each row, 22 to 30: tick them off as you go.

☐ 22 ☐ 23 ☐ 24 ☐ 25 ☐ 26 ☐ 27 ☐ 28 ☐ 29 ☐ 30

Stripe in D, leaf

☐ **Row 31**	With D, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(12 sc)**

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☐	**Rows 32 to 40**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(12 sc)**

A box for each row, 32 to 40: tick them off as you go.

32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40

Stripe in E, cornflower

☐	**Row 41**	With E, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(12 sc)**
☐	**Rows 42 to 50**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(12 sc)**

A box for each row, 42 to 50: tick them off as you go.

42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50

Stripe in F, violet

☐	**Row 51**	With F, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(12 sc)**
☐	**Rows 52 to 60**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(12 sc)**

A box for each row, 52 to 60: tick them off as you go.

52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60

☐	**End**	Fasten off.

Assembly

1. Weave in all the ends now. Dampen the bookmark, or starch it, lay it straight and flat and press it under a cloth. Let it dry before the tassel goes on.

2. Tassel: cut a piece of card 2½ in (6.5 cm) tall and wind F 24 times round it, about 120 in (305 cm). Slip a 10 in (25 cm) length of F under the loops at the top and tie them together tightly with it; leave its ends long. Slide the loops off the card. Wind another 10 in (25 cm) length 5 times round all the strands ¼ in (0.5 cm) below the tie, knot it, and let its two ends hang down with the strands. Cut the loops at the bottom and trim everything level. With the long ends of the tie, sew the tassel to the middle of the foundation edge, and weave them in.

Finishing

- All the ends are woven in as you put it together.

In all: 60 rows; 720 stitches; 12 ends to weave in.

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