Slippers from a rectangle

Women's medium, foot 9½ in (24 cm) · US terms



Finished size

The rectangle is about 10¼ in (26 cm) long (36 stitches) and about 9 in (23 cm) wide (36 rows of the slipper); gathered and sewn, the slipper is about 9½ in (24 cm) from heel to toe. Its opening is about 11½ in (29 cm) round (40 stitches)

To fit a foot of 9½ in (24 cm)

Skill

Easy

Yarn

Medium (4), 2 colors

Hook

5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge

14 stitches and 16 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)

In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: dusty pink, the slippers and the cords **about 175 yd (160 m), an estimate**

Yarn B: burgundy, the two long edges and the collars **about 50 yd (46 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a stitch marker, 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.

Sizes

Size	Foot	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Child	8 in (20.5 cm)	8½ in (21.5 cm) long, 7½ in (19 cm) wide	about 160 yd (146 m)
Women's small	9 in (23 cm)	9¾ in (25 cm) long, 8½ in (21.5 cm) wide	about 200 yd (183 m)
Women's medium (this file)	**9½ in (24 cm)**	**10¼ in (26 cm) long, 9 in (23 cm) wide**	**about 225 yd (206 m)**
Women's large	10 in (25.5 cm)	10¾ in (27.5 cm) long, 9½ in (24 cm) wide	about 245 yd (224 m)
Men's medium	10½ in (26.5 cm)	11½ in (29 cm) long, 10 in (25.5 cm) wide	about 270 yd (247 m)

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Abbreviations

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

BLO	back loop only: of the two loops at the top of the stitch, work under the one farther from you
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
sl st	slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
ch	chain stitch
RS	right side
Rnd	round
st	stitch
sp	space
sk	skip

Gauge

14 stitches and 16 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

The ridged rows of the rectangle have the same gauge when they lie flat, smoothed lightly with the hand. After Row 1, the row is about 10¼ in (26 cm) long.

Use any hook that gives you this. If you count more stitches than this in 4 in (10 cm), change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, to a smaller one.

Before you start

- Measure the foot from the back of the heel to the tip of the longest toe and choose the size with the nearest foot length.
- The pattern makes a pair. A size has its length from the stitches of a row and its width from the number of rows; left and right are alike.
- The rectangle is worked in rows from one long edge to the other. The ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch. Rows with an odd number have the right side facing.
- To change color in the rectangle, work the last stitch of the row before the change until its last loops are on the hook, then draw the new color through them. Cut the old color, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm), unless it comes back within 2 rows: then let it wait at that edge.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line are the stitches it has.
- A crocheted sole slips on a smooth floor: wear the slippers on carpet, or sew bought soles under them.

Instructions

Chosen: Women's medium, foot 9½ in (24 cm). 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 sc is double crochet and sl st is slip stitch.

Slipper: make 2

Yarns in order of use: B, burgundy; A, dusty pink.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, ch 37.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each ch across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 3**	With A, ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**

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☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 7**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 9**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 11**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 12**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 13**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 14**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 15**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 16**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 17**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 18**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 19**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 20**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 21**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 22**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
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☐ **Row 24**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 25**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 26**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 27**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 28**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 29**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 30**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 31**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 32**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 33**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 34**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 35**	With B, ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**

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☐ **Row 36**	Ch 1, turn, sc in BLO of each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 36 in (91.5 cm). The end with this tail is the toe; the other short end is the heel. Row 1 and Row 36 are the long edges, which meet on top of the foot. Sewing. Every seam is sewn with the right sides together, edge to edge, over and over through both layers. Fold the rectangle in half with the right side inside, so that Row 1 lies on Row 36: the fold, between Rows 18 and 19, is the middle of the sole. The heel: with a new piece of A, 24 in (61 cm) long, begin at the long edges and sew the ends of Row 1 and Row 36 together, then those of Row 2 and Row 35, and so on: 12 pairs of row ends, as far as Rows 12 and 25. The ends of the 12 rows in the middle are still open. Bring the fold up to the end of the seam and flatten the opening, so that it makes two short slits, one on each side of the seam. Sew each slit closed: Row 13 to Row 18, Row 14 to Row 17 and Row 15 to Row 16 in one, Row 24 to Row 19, Row 23 to Row 20 and Row 22 to Row 21 in the other. The seam is now a T, with its bar along the bottom of the heel. The toe: thread the long tail at the toe end and run it, in and out, through the end of each of the 36 rows, round to Row 1. Draw it up as tightly as it will go, sew round the hole twice through the same row ends, and fasten it, but do not cut it. The top: with the same tail, beginning at the toe, sew the stitches of Row 36 to the chains of the foundation ch, through the outer loops: 16 pairs. The other 20 stitches and 20 chains are the opening. Turn the slipper right side out.	

Collar: make 2

Yarn B, burgundy.

☐ **Foundation**	With the right side facing, join B with a sl st in the first of 40 places, beginning at the seam of the heel: 20 chains of the slipper, then 20 stitches of the slipper. The chains are the free edge of Row 1, from the heel to the front of the opening; the stitches are those of Row 36, from the front back to the heel. The collar is worked in a spiral: the rounds are not joined. Put a marker in the first stitch of each round and move it up every round.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Sc in same st as the join, sc in next 19 chs, sc in next 20 sts	**(40 sc)**

The next round makes a ring of eyelets for the cord.

☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**Ch 1, sk next st, sc in next st**] 20 times**	**(20 ch-1 sps, 20 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**Sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next st**] 20 times**	**(40 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(40 sc)**
☐ **End**	Sl st in the next st to level the edge. Fasten off.	

Cord: make 2

Yarn A, dusty pink.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, make a slip knot.	
☐ **Row 1**	Ch 104	**(104 ch)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off and weave both tails back into the chain.	

Finishing

- Thread a cord through the eyelets of each slipper: begin at the eyelet just to one side of the front of the opening, go down and up in turn all round, and come out at the eyelet on the other side of the front. Tie the ends in a bow.
- Left and right are alike. Weave in every tail on the inside.

In all: 4 pieces; 3,080 stitches (1,296 in each slipper, 140 in each collar, 104 in each cord).

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