Scottie dog

US terms



Finished size

About 7¼ in (18.5 cm) long and 6¼ in (16 cm) tall to the tips of the ears

Skill

Intermediate

Eleven pieces worked in rounds and rows and sewn together.

Yarn

Medium (4), 6 colors

Hook

3.5 mm (US E-4)

Gauge

20 stitches and 22 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)

In single crochet, in a spiral.

What you need

Yarn A: charcoal, the main color	**about 175 yd (160 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: gray, leg and the details	**about 35 yd (32 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: red, coat	**about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: dark green, coat and the details	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: gold, the details	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn F: black, the details	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 130 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Hook: 3.5 mm (US E-4), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: toy stuffing, a yarn needle, a stitch marker, pins, scissors and two black plastic eyes with washers, 10 mm.

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.

The pieces



Body

Leg x 4
to the body

Neck
to the body

Head
to the neck

Ear x 2
to the head

Tail
to the body

Coat

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Gauge

20 stitches and 22 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet, in a spiral.

To check it, work a flat circle: 6 sc in a magic ring, then 6 more sc in each round (12, 18, 24, 30, 36). After round 6 it should measure about 2¼ in (5.5 cm) across. The stitches should be tight enough that the stuffing does not show.

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.

Notes

- Every piece that has rounds is worked in a continuous spiral with the right side facing you: do not join and do not turn. Put the marker in the first stitch of each round and move it up. Square brackets hold a repeat; work it as many times as the line says. The number in parentheses is the count at the end of the round.
- Magic ring: wrap the yarn round two fingers, work round 1 into the loop and pull the tail to close it. Or chain 2 and work round 1 into the first chain.
- Color change: where a line begins "With A," (or another letter), work the last pull-through of the round or row before it in that color. In the coat this is the last sc of the row, before the ch 1 and the turn. Cut the old yarn each time and knot the ends on the wrong side.
- Center line: places on a piece are given by round and by stitches from a center line. It is half way round from where the rounds begin. Mark it with a pin or a scrap of yarn as listed here, run it straight from round 1 to the last round by eye, and count out from it along the round, in stitches and half stitches.
- Head: the center line runs between stitches 17 and 18 of round 12 (34 sts). This piece lies with its center line along the top, round 1 at the nose.
- Body: the center line runs between stitches 20 and 21 of round 7 (40 sts). This piece lies with its center line along the top, round 1 at the front end.
- Right and left are as you look at the front of the dog. Rounds are counted from the start of each piece.
- Running stitches go in and out along a line.
- In every step of putting it together: where a piece meets or overlaps another, sew through both. Where no tail is left or a tail is too short, sew with a new length of the yarn of the piece you are putting on.
- To work sc2tog, put the hook under the front loop only of each of the next 2 stitches, yarn over, pull through both loops, yarn over, pull through 2 loops.
- For a child under three, or a pet, embroider the eyes instead: a satin stitch dot of the same size in F (black) and one ring of small backstitches in B (gray) close round the dot, so that it shows on the charcoal head.
- The rounds and stitches are the same for every size; the yarn and the hook make the difference. Lengths in the words (tails, details) are for Standard, the size written here: for another size multiply them by the number in its line.
- Small: fine (2, sport) yarn, 2.25 mm (B-1) hook, 27 sc and 30 rounds to 4 in (10 cm): about 5¼ in (13.5 cm) long and 4¾ in (12 cm) tall to the tips of the ears; eyes 7 mm; multiply lengths by 0.74; about 0.74 times the yarn.
- Large: bulky (5, chunky) yarn, 5 mm (H-8) hook, 14 sc and 15.4 rounds to 4 in (10 cm): about 10¼ in (26 cm) long and 9 in (23 cm) tall to the tips of the ears; eyes 14 mm; multiply lengths by 1.4; about 1.4 times the yarn.
- Jumbo: super bulky (6, plush or velvet) yarn, 6.5 mm (K-10½) hook, 11 sc and 12.1 rounds to 4 in (10 cm): about 13¼ in (33.5 cm) long and 11¼ in (28.5 cm) tall to the tips of the ears; eyes 18 mm; multiply lengths by 1.8; about 1.8 times the yarn.

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Instructions

US terms.

ch chain, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **MR** magic ring, **Rnd** round, **st** stitch.
sc2tog 2 sc made into one. **BLO**: only the loop away from you. **yo** yarn over the hook, **RS** right side, the one that shows.
2 sc in next st: both in one stitch. **sc in next 2 sts**: one in each.
[ ] 6 times: work what is inside 6 times in all.
(6 sc): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Body

Yarn A, charcoal.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(24 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(30 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts**] 4 times**	(40 sc)

Mark the center line now: a pin or a scrap of yarn between stitches 20 and 21 of round 7. This piece lies with its center line along the top, round 1 at the front end.

☐ **Rnds 8 to 29**	Sc in each st around	(40 sc)

8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29

☐ **Rnd 30**	**[**sc in next 18 sts, sc2tog**] 2 times**	(38 sc)
☐ **Rnd 31**	**[**sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 9 sts**] 2 times**	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnd 32**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts**] 6 times**	(30 sc)
☐ **Rnd 33**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	(24 sc)

Stuff firmly now, and keep adding stuffing until the last round.

☐ **Rnd 34**	**[**sc in next st, sc2tog, sc in next st**] 6 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 35**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next st**] 6 times**	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 36**	**[**sc2tog**] 6 times**	(6 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an 8 in (20 cm) tail. Thread the tail through the front loop of each of the last 6 stitches, pull it tight to close the hole and bury the end inside.	

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Leg: make 4

Yarns in order of use: B, gray; A, charcoal.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 2 times**, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st	(17 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Sc in BLO of each st around	(17 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	Sc in each st around	(17 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	With A, sc in each st around	(17 sc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 16 sts	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 8**	**[**sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(20 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an 18 in (46 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff firmly up to the open edge.	

Neck

Yarn A, charcoal.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(24 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 4 times**	(28 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts**] 2 times**	(30 sc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 14 sts**] 2 times**	(32 sc)
☐ **Rnd 8**	**[**sc in next 15 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(34 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 26 in (66 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff firmly up to the open edge.	

Head

Yarn A, charcoal.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts**] 2 times**	(20 sc)

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☐ **Rnds 5 to 8**	Sc in each st around	(20 sc)
5 6 7 8		
☐ **Rnd 9**	**[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 4 times**	(24 sc)
☐ **Rnd 10**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 4 times**	(28 sc)
☐ **Rnd 11**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts**] 4 times**	(32 sc)
☐ **Rnd 12**	**[**sc in next 15 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(34 sc)

Mark the center line now: a pin or a scrap of yarn between stitches 17 and 18 of round 12. This piece lies with its center line along the top, round 1 at the nose.

☐ **Rnds 13 to 18**	Sc in each st around	(34 sc)
13 14 15 16 17 18		
☐ **Rnd 19**	Sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 6 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 7 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 6 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts	(30 sc)
☐ **Rnd 20**	**[**sc2tog, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	(24 sc)

Fix the eyes now: two 10 mm black plastic eyes, on the head on round 10, one to each side, 4 stitches from the center line (8 stitches apart). For a child under three, or a pet, leave them out and embroider them later. Then stuff firmly, and keep adding stuffing until the last round.

☐ **Rnd 21**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 22**	**[**sc in next st, sc2tog**] 6 times**	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 23**	**[**sc2tog**] 6 times**	(6 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving an 8 in (20 cm) tail. Thread the tail through the front loop of each of the last 6 stitches, pull it tight to close the hole and bury the end inside.	

Ear: make 2

Yarn A, charcoal.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	4 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(4 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st	(5 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 2 times**	(8 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(10 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 2 times**	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 11 sts	(13 sc)
☐ **Rnd 8**	Sc in next 12 sts, 2 sc in next st	(14 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 9**	Sc in each st around	(14 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 16 in (41 cm) tail for sewing. Do not stuff. Press it flat, so that the last round makes a straight double edge of 7 stitches.	

Tail

Yarn A, charcoal.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	4 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(4 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**	(8 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts	(9 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	Sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st	(10 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts	(11 sc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 10 sts	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 8**	Sc in next 11 sts, 2 sc in next st	(13 sc)
☐ **Rnd 9**	Sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts	(14 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 16 in (41 cm) tail for sewing. Stuff lightly up to the open edge.	

Coat

Yarns in order of use: C, red; D, dark green.

Worked flat, to and fro in rows, 23 stitches wide. The ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.

☐ **Foundation**	With C, ch 24.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in second ch from hook and in each ch across	(23 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(23 sc)
☐ **Row 3**	With D, ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(23 sc)
☐ **Rows 4 to 7** 4 5 6 7	With C, ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(23 sc)
☐ **Row 8**	With D, ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(23 sc)
☐ **Rows 9 to 12** 9 10 11 12	With C, ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(23 sc)
☐ **Row 13**	With D, ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(23 sc)
☐ **Rows 14 to 15** 14 15	With C, ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	(23 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 36 in (91 cm) tail for sewing.	

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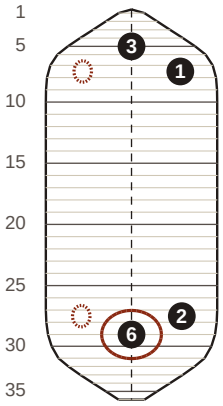
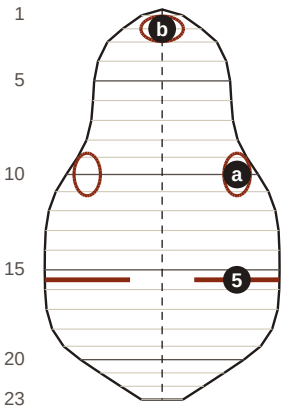
Assembly



Body: 1 legs, 2 legs, 3 neck, 6 tail



Head: 5 ears, a eyes, b nose

A number is the step below that puts it on; a letter is put on under Finishing. Each line is a round, counted as the rounds are worked. The upright broken line is the center line. A place with a broken edge is on the far side.

1. Pin two legs to the body: the middle of each open edge lies between rounds 7 and 8, one to each side, 16 stitches from the center line (8 stitches apart across the side opposite the center line). The edge (20 sts) is a circle: it covers about rounds 4 to 11 of the body, and between rounds 7 and 8 it reaches from about 13 to about 19 stitches from the center line. Sew each all the way round with its tail, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches if the edge is still soft. The place is low on the side of the body: each sewn leg points down and a little out to the side. Draw it in until it stands as nearly straight down as it will: with a new length of A (charcoal), work running stitches along the inner side of the leg (the side toward the other leg of the pair), from its edge to round 6 of the leg and back, draw them up until the paw is only a little farther out than the edge, and fasten off there.

2. Pin two legs to the body: the middle of each open edge lies between rounds 27 and 28, one to each side, 16 stitches from the center line (8 stitches apart across the side opposite the center line). The edge (20 sts) is a circle: it covers about rounds 24 to 31 of the body, and between rounds 27 and 28 it reaches from about 13 to about 19 stitches from the center line. Sew each all the way round with its tail, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches if the edge is still soft. The place is low on the side of the body: each sewn leg points down and a little out to the side. Draw it in until it stands as nearly straight down as it will: with a new length of A (charcoal), work running stitches along the inner side of the leg (the side toward the other leg of the pair), from its edge to round 6 of the leg and back, draw them up until the paw is only a little farther out than the edge, and fasten off there. Before you fasten off the last of these strands, stand the dog on the table: all four paws lie flat on it.

3. Pin the neck to the body: the middle of the open edge lies on round 5, on the center line. The edge (34 sts) reaches from about round 11 of the body, on the center line, down to round 1, and about 7 stitches to each side of the center line on round 6. It points up and a little forward. Sew all the way round with the tail, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches if the edge is still soft.

4. Set the head on the end of the neck, its center line on top and round 1 (the nose) to the front. Turn the nose about 40 degrees to the left and let it slant down about 5 degrees from level. Round 16 of the head, on the line opposite its center line, lies over the middle of round 1 of the neck. Press the head down onto the neck until round 5 of the neck (28 sts) touches it all the way round. On the head this circle reaches from about round 11 to about round 21 along the line opposite the center line, and on round 16 about 5 stitches to each side of that line. With a new length of A (charcoal), sew round the circle twice, through the stitches of round 5 of the neck and the head.

5. Pin the two ears to the head: the middle of each flat edge lies between rounds 15 and 16, one to each side, 5 stitches from the center line (10 stitches apart). The flat edge runs along the round, half of it on each side of that place. They point up. Sew through both layers of the 7-stitch edge with the tail.

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6. Pin the tail to the body: the middle of the open edge lies on round 29, on the center line. The edge (14 sts) covers about rounds 27 to 31 of the body. It points up and back. Sew all the way round with its tail of yarn, adding a little stuffing before the last few stitches if the edge is still soft.

7. Lay the coat over the back, right side out, row 1 toward the head, between the neck and the tail: row 1 lies on round 12 of the body, just behind the neck, whose edge reaches to round 11, row 15 lies on round 26, just in front of the tail, and the middle stitch of each row (stitch 12) lies on the center line. The rows lie across the back, from side to side of the dog. The two side edges of the coat (the ends of the rows, its short edges, about 2¾ in (7 cm) or 7 cm long) hang at the sides of the dog: each lies along the body from round 12 to round 26, about 10½ stitches from the center line. Sew it down all the way round its edge with the tail.

Finishing

- Put in the plastic eyes when the words of a piece say so, or embroider eyes in the same places with the other details. Embroider with one strand of yarn and the yarn needle when the pieces round the place are sewn on, unless a line gives another time; begin and end each strand on the wrong side of a flat piece, inside a stuffed one. Satin stitch is straight stitches side by side until the shape is filled. Backstitch is a line of short stitches end to end: bring the needle up one stitch ahead, put it down at the end of the stitch before, and repeat.
- Eyes: two 10 mm black plastic eyes, on the head on round 10, one to each side, 4 stitches from the center line (8 stitches apart).
- Nose: with F (black), in satin stitch, a triangle with its point down about 3/8 in (10 mm) wide and ¼ in (6 mm) tall, its middle on the head on round 2, on the center line. The wide edge of the triangle is toward the top of the head and its point toward the middle of round 1.
- Beard: in B (gray), loops of yarn that stay standing. Thread the needle with B and fasten it with a small backstitch at the first place; use about 2 yd (1.8 m) at a time. At each place take the needle under one stitch, leave a loop that stands 7/8 in (22 mm) out of the fabric, round the tip of your finger, and lock it with one small backstitch in the same stitch. Do not cut the loops; let them hang down. The places on the head, counting stitches from the line opposite the center line (stitch 1 is the one beside it), the same on each side: round 3: stitches 1 to 4; every round from round 4 to round 10: stitches 1 to 6.
- Brows: with B (gray), on the head, seven long straight stitches side by side over each eye. Each begins between rounds 13 and 14 and ends between rounds 11 and 12, so that it is about 3/8 in (10 mm) long. Counting from the center line, the same on each side, they begin 2½, 3, 3½, 4, 4½, 5 and 5½ stitches from it, and each ends half a stitch farther from the center line than it began.
- Plaid lines, green: before the coat is sewn on, with D (dark green), in backstitch, four straight lines on the right side of the coat, from row 1 to row 15. Count the 23 stitches of the coat from its left edge: the lines run along stitches 3, 9, 15 and 21 of each row. Make one stitch over each row and pull it down into the fabric.
- Plaid lines, gold: before the coat is sewn on, with E (gold), in backstitch, three straight lines from row 1 to row 15, along stitches 6, 12 and 18 of each row, worked in the same way. Stitch 12 is the middle of the coat.
- Weave every tail through the toy and trim it. For a toy that will be played with, go round each seam a second time with a new length of yarn. Check the seams and small parts from time to time.

In all: 11 pieces; 3,042 stitches (1,210 in the body, 124 in each leg, 184 in the neck, 548 in the head, 86 in each ear, 87 in the tail, 345 in the coat).

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