Sedge stitch washcloth

Standard · US terms



Finished size
About 7¾ × 8 in (20 × 20 cm)

Skill
Easy
Groups in one place, skipped stitches

Yarn
Medium (4)

Hook
5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge
13 stitches and 11 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In sedge stitch.

You will need

Yarn: eucalyptus, medium (4) **about 50 yd (46 m), an estimate**

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9). Also: a yarn needle, scissors and a tape measure.

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.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Standard (this file)	**7¾ × 8 in (20 × 20 cm)**	**about 50 yd (46 m)**
Small	6¾ × 7 in (17 × 18 cm)	about 40 yd (37 m)
Large	8½ × 9 in (22 × 23 cm)	about 65 yd (59 m)
Extra large	9½ × 9¾ in (24 × 25 cm)	about 75 yd (69 m)

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)
hdc half double crochet (UK htr, half treble)
dc double crochet (UK tr, treble)
RS right side
sk skip (UK miss)
st stitch

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Gauge

13 stitches and 11 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in sedge stitch.

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.
- Row 1 is the right side.
- Stitches in parentheses are all worked into the one place named after them.
- Leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) when you begin, and weave it in at the end with the others.
- For another width, add or take away 3 chains at a time: each 3 chains adds one more repeat of each bracketed group. Measure your own gauge first.
- Use cotton yarn: it is absorbent and stands up to washing.

Instructions

Chosen: Standard. Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. Round brackets ( ) inside a line hold stitches that all go into one place. 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, hdc is half treble, dc is treble and sk is miss.

Check your width as you go: when row 9 is done, measure the width, across the middle of the rows and not along the chain edge. It is about 7¾ in (20 cm). If it is wider, start again with a smaller hook; if it is narrower, with a larger one. If only the chain edge is tight, make the chain with a larger hook.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 26.
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	(sc, hdc, dc) in 2nd ch from hook, **[**sk next 2 chs, (sc, hdc, dc) in next ch**] 7 times**, sk next 2 chs, sc in next ch **(9 sc, 8 hdc, 8 dc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 22**	Ch 1, turn; (sc, hdc, dc) in first st, **[**sk next 2 sts, (sc, hdc, dc) in next st**] 7 times**, sk next 2 sts, sc in last st **(9 sc, 8 hdc, 8 dc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 22: tick them off as you go.

☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12 ☐ 13 ☐ 14 ☐ 15 ☐ 16 ☐ 17 ☐ 18 ☐ 19 ☐ 20 ☐ 21 ☐ 22

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

Finishing

- Weave in the ends with the yarn needle, changing direction once or twice.

In all: 22 rows; 550 stitches; 2 ends to weave in.

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