Self-striping scarf

Standard · US terms



Finished size
About 65¾ × 7¼ in (167 × 18 cm)

Skill
Easy
Long rows

Yarn
Medium (4)

Hook
5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge
13 stitches and 9½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In single and double rows.

What you need

Yarn: self-striping autumn colors, medium (4) **about 425 yd (389 m), an estimate**
By weight: about 210 g, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).
Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9). Also: yarn needle, a stiff card 6 in (15 cm) long for the fringe, scissors and tape measure.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Standard (this file)	**65¾ × 7¼ in (167 × 18 cm)**	**about 425 yd (389 m)**
Wide	65¾ × 9¾ in (167 × 25 cm)	about 575 yd (526 m)

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Gauge

13 stitches and 9½ rows to 4 in (10 cm) in single and double rows.

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.

The pattern also stops you to measure after row 7.

> **The swatch.** A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. The test piece is about 6¼ in (16 cm) wide and 6¼ in (16 cm) tall, so that you can count over 4 in (10 cm) in the middle of it.
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Swatch foundation	Ch 21.	
Swatch row 1 (RS)	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(20 sc)
Swatch row 2	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; dc in next 18 sts, dc in last st	(20 dc)
Swatch row 3	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 19 sts, sc in top of turning ch	(20 sc)
Swatch rows 4 to 15	Repeat swatch rows 2 and 3 in turn: every even-numbered row is worked as swatch row 2, every odd-numbered row as swatch row 3.	

The chain is the length of the scarf: for a longer or a shorter one add or take away chains, each chain is one more stitch. For a wider scarf work more rows, two at a time. Measure your own gauge first.

Instructions

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sc single crochet (UK dc), **ch** chain, **dc** double crochet (UK tr), **st** stitch.
The ch 3 is the first dc: skip the first stitch; the last dc goes in the **top of the 3 chains**.
(214 sc): the row now has 214; a check, not a step. Not 214? **Pull it back**.
Every stitch, drawn: flossfield.com/crochet/stitches.

☐ **Start**	Make a slip knot. Ch 215.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(214 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; dc in next 212 sts, dc in last st	(214 dc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 213 sts, sc in top of turning ch	(214 sc)
☐ **Rows 4 to 7**	Repeat rows 2 and 3 in turn: every even-numbered row is worked as row 2, every odd-numbered row as row 3.	

The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

4 5 6 **7**

> **Stop and measure now, after row 7.** Length from end to end, along the middle of the rows and not along the chain edge: about 65¾ in (167 cm). If it is longer, start again with a smaller hook; if it is shorter, with a larger one. If only the chain edge is tight, make the chain with a larger hook.

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☐	**Rows 8 to 17**	Repeat rows 2 and 3 in turn: every even-numbered row is worked as row 2, every odd-numbered row as row 3. *Repeat until the piece measures about 7¼ in (18 cm), ending with a row worked as row 3: at our gauge that is row 17. Go by the tape measure, not the count.* 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17
☐		Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.

Finishing

- Fringe: wind yarn around the card and cut along one edge, for strands about 12 in (30 cm) long. For each knot take three strands together, fold them in half, pull the fold with the hook through the stitch at the end of the row and pull the ends through the fold. Along each short end put one knot in the end of row 1 and one in the end of every other row after it: rows 1, 3, 5 and so on to the last row. Where you have enough of a color, give each knot the color of its row. Trim the ends level, about 5 in (13 cm) long.
- Weave in the ends.
- Lay the piece flat, pull it gently to its size, dampen it and let it dry.

In all: 17 rows; 3,638 stitches.

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 and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added. To measure your own: work the swatch and measure it, mark the yarn where the swatch begins and ends, pull the swatch out and measure the yarn it took; divide by the area of the swatch and multiply by the area of the piece.

Notes

- The ch 3 at the start of a row counts as a dc. It stands on the first st of the row below; the next st is the second. The last stitch of the next row is worked into the top of it.
- The ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch: the first stitch of the row goes into the first st of the row below.
- Row 1 is the right side.
- The number of rows is our estimate: yours may differ.
- The yarn is a self-striping yarn whose color changes slowly, over many yards, in one large ball or cake. Where a color ends in the middle of a row, work on: the stripes may change there.
- Work the foundation chain loosely, with a hook one size larger if you need to: it is as long as the scarf and must not pull in.
- Leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) when you begin, and weave it in at the end with the others. Join a new ball at the end of a row, with the same tails: each join adds two ends.
- The size is without the fringe. The fringe takes 9 knots on each short end, 54 strands in all: about 18 yd (16 m). The estimate includes it; if you measure your own, add it. If you work more or fewer rows, the number of knots changes with them.

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