Shell edge toilet lid cover

Round · US terms



Finished size
About 14¼ × 16½ in (36 × 42 cm)
About 14¼ in (36 cm) wide and 16½ in (42 cm) long without the shells, with a band 1¾ in (4.5 cm) deep underneath. To fit a round lid about 14¼ in (36 cm) wide and 16½ in (42 cm) long

Skill
Easy
It is rows of half double crochet with shaped ends, a shell border and a band underneath.

Yarn
Medium (4), 2 colors

Hook
5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge
14 stitches and 10 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In half double crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: ocean teal, the top, the shells, the band and the cord **about 300 yd (274 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: white, the stripes and the edge **about 65 yd (59 m), an estimate**
Fiber: cotton

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: two stitch markers, 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, with 30 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Fits	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Round (this file)	**a round lid about 14¼ in (36 cm) wide and 16½ in (42 cm) long**	**14¼ × 16½ in (36 × 42 cm)**	**about 365 yd (334 m)**
Long	a long lid about 14¼ in (36 cm) wide and 18¼ in (46.5 cm) long	14¼ × 18¼ in (36 × 46 cm)	about 420 yd (384 m)

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Abbreviations

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

ch	chain stitch
sl st	slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
hdc	half double crochet (UK htr, half treble)
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
sc2tog	single crochet 2 stitches together (UK dc2tog)
hdc2tog	half double crochet 2 stitches together (UK htr2tog)
st	stitch
sp	space
sk	skip (UK miss)
rnd	round
RS	right side

Gauge

14 stitches and 10 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in half double crochet.

14 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

The pattern also stops you to measure after row 40.

> **The swatch.** A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. Lay it flat and count the stitches and rows over 4 in (10 cm) in its middle. There should be 14 stitches and 10 rows. If you count more stitches than that, change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, change to a smaller hook. The swatch can be pulled out and its yarn used again.
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> | **Swatch foundation** | Ch 23. | |
> | **Swatch row 1 (RS)** | Hdc in 3rd ch from hook and in each ch across | **(21 hdc)** |
> | **Swatch rows 2 to 15** | Ch 2, turn; hdc in each st across | **(21 hdc)** |

Before you start

- The chain of 2 at the start of a row of the top does not count as a stitch. The chain of 1 at the start of a row or a round does not count as a stitch.
- hdc2tog: [yarn over, put the hook in the next stitch, draw up a loop] 2 times, yarn over and pull through all 5 loops on the hook. sc2tog: draw up a loop in each of the next 2 stitches, yarn over and pull through all 3 loops on the hook.
- To change color, draw the new yarn through as the last yarn over of the stitch before. Cut the old yarn at each change, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).
- The rounds of the edge and of the shell border are joined with a slip stitch in their first stitch.
- Measure the lid across its widest place and from the hinges to the front. For a lid whose length lies between the two sizes work the Long: the cord draws it in.
- Colors of the top, row by row. Rows 1 to 6: A. Rows 7 to 8: B. Rows 9 to 14: A. Rows 15 to 16: B. Rows 17 to 22: A. Rows 23 to 24: B. Rows 25 to 30: A. Rows 31 to 32: B. Rows 33 to 40: A. The edge is B, and the shells, the band and the cord are A.

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Instructions

Chosen: Round. 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 sl st is slip stitch, sc is double crochet, hdc is half treble, dc is treble, sc2tog is dc2tog, hdc2tog is htr2tog and sk is miss.

Top

Yarns in order of use: A, ocean teal; B, white.

Row 1 is at the hinges and row 40 is the rounded front.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 38.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Hdc in 3rd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(36 hdc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 2, turn; 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 34 sts, 2 hdc in next st	**(38 hdc)**
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 2, turn; 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 36 sts, 2 hdc in next st	**(40 hdc)**
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 2, turn; 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 38 sts, 2 hdc in next st	**(42 hdc)**
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 2, turn; 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 40 sts, 2 hdc in next st	**(44 hdc)**
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 2, turn; 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 42 sts, 2 hdc in next st	**(46 hdc)**
☐ **Row 7**	With B, ch 2, turn; 2 hdc in next st, hdc in next 44 sts, 2 hdc in next st	**(48 hdc)**
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 2, turn; hdc in each st across	**(48 hdc)**
☐ **Row 9**	With A, ch 2, turn; hdc in each st across	**(48 hdc)**
☐ **Rows 10 to 14**	Ch 2, turn; hdc in each st across	**(48 hdc)**

A box for each row, 10 to 14: tick them off as you go.

☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12 ☐ 13 ☐ 14

☐ **Row 15**	With B, ch 2, turn; hdc in each st across	**(48 hdc)**
☐ **Row 16**	Ch 2, turn; hdc in each st across	**(48 hdc)**
☐ **Row 17**	With A, ch 2, turn; hdc in each st across	**(48 hdc)**
☐ **Rows 18 to 22**	Ch 2, turn; hdc in each st across	**(48 hdc)**

A box for each row, 18 to 22: tick them off as you go.

☐ 18 ☐ 19 ☐ 20 ☐ 21 ☐ 22

☐ **Row 23**	With B, ch 2, turn; hdc in each st across	**(48 hdc)**
☐ **Row 24**	Ch 2, turn; hdc in each st across	**(48 hdc)**
☐ **Row 25**	With A, ch 2, turn; hdc in each st across	**(48 hdc)**
☐ **Rows 26 to 27**	Ch 2, turn; hdc in each st across	**(48 hdc)**

A box for each row, 26 to 27: tick them off as you go.

☐ 26 ☐ 27

☐ **Row 28**	Ch 2, turn; hdc2tog, hdc in next 44 sts, hdc2tog	**(46 hdc)**
☐ **Row 29**	Ch 2, turn; hdc in each st across	**(46 hdc)**
☐ **Row 30**	Ch 2, turn; hdc2tog, hdc in next 42 sts, hdc2tog	**(44 hdc)**

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☐ **Row 31**	With B, ch 2, turn; hdc in each st across	**(44 hdc)**
☐ **Row 32**	Ch 2, turn; hdc2tog, hdc in next 40 sts, hdc2tog	**(42 hdc)**
☐ **Row 33**	With A, ch 2, turn; hdc2tog, hdc in next 38 sts, hdc2tog	**(40 hdc)**
☐ **Row 34**	Ch 2, turn; hdc2tog, hdc in next 36 sts, hdc2tog	**(38 hdc)**
☐ **Row 35**	Ch 2, turn; hdc2tog, hdc in next 34 sts, hdc2tog	**(36 hdc)**
☐ **Row 36**	Ch 2, turn; hdc2tog, hdc in next 32 sts, hdc2tog	**(34 hdc)**
☐ **Row 37**	Ch 2, turn; **[**hdc2tog**] 2 times**, hdc in next 26 sts, **[**hdc2tog**] 2 times**	**(30 hdc)**
☐ **Row 38**	Ch 2, turn; **[**hdc2tog**] 2 times**, hdc in next 22 sts, **[**hdc2tog**] 2 times**	**(26 hdc)**
☐ **Row 39**	Ch 2, turn; **[**hdc2tog**] 2 times**, hdc in next 18 sts, **[**hdc2tog**] 2 times**	**(22 hdc)**
☐ **Row 40**	Ch 2, turn; **[**hdc2tog**] 2 times**, hdc in next 14 sts, **[**hdc2tog**] 2 times**	**(18 hdc)**

> **Stop and measure now, after row 40.** The top should be about 13¾ in (35 cm) wide at the widest place and 16 in (40.5 cm) long.

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

Edge

Yarn B, white.

Hold the top with its right side toward you and the foundation chain uppermost. Join B with a slip stitch in the chain at the right end of it, and work along the 36 chains first, then down the side at the left. Places in the ends of the rows of that side: one for row 1; two for each of rows 2 to 7; one for row 8 and two for row 9, and so on by turns up to row 27, which makes 30 for rows 8 to 27; two for each of rows 28 to 40. Up the second side work the same from row 40 back to row 1, so that rows 27 to 8 have two and one by turns.

Put a marker in the first stitch and in the 36th stitch of round 1: between these two is the back edge.

☐ **Foundation**	All the way round the top, RS facing; 192 places: the 36 chains of the foundation, 69 places along one side, the 18 stitches of row 40 and 69 places along the other side.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	**(192 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Shell border

Yarn A, ocean teal.

Work into the front loop only of every stitch named. Join A with a slip stitch in the front loop of the marked first stitch. The first sc goes into the same loop.

☐ **Foundation**	The front loops of round 1 of the edge, RS facing; 192 stitches.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, sk next st, 5 dc in next st, sk next st**] 48 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(48 sc, 240 dc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

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Band underneath

Yarn A, ocean teal.

Fold the shells toward you, so that the back loops behind them are free. With the right side of the top toward you, join A with a slip stitch in the back loop of the stitch after the 36th, marked stitch and chain 1, which does not count as a stitch. Work row 1 into the back loops only, the first sc where A is joined, to the last stitch before the marked first stitch. The marked stitches and those between them stay free: there the cover is open for the hinges.

☐ **Foundation**	The back loops of round 1 of the edge, RS facing; 156 stitches: all but the 36 of the back edge.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in each st across	**(156 sc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; **[**sc in next 24 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(150 sc)**
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; **[**sc in next 23 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(144 sc)**
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; **[**sc in next 22 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(138 sc)**
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn; **[**sc in next 21 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(132 sc)**
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn; **[**sc in next 2 sts, ch 2, sk next 2 sts, sc in next 2 sts**] 22 times**	**(88 sc, 22 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Row 7**	Ch 1, turn; **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next ch-2 sp, sc in next 2 sts**] 22 times**	**(132 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Assembly

1. Weave in all the tails on the wrong side.

2. For the cord, with A, ch 300, about 68½ in (174 cm) long, and fasten off with a tail of 6 in (15 cm) at each end. Knot each end and trim its tail to about ½ in (1.5 cm).

3. Weave the cord in and out through the 22 chain-2 spaces of row 6 of the band, from one end of the band to the other, so that a long end hangs at each side of the back edge.

4. Take out the markers. Lay the cover on the closed lid with its straight edge at the hinges and the band down over the sides and the front. Lift the lid. Draw the cord tight under it, so that the band turns in under the lid, and tie the two ends in a bow across the back, between the hinges. See that the lid with the cover on still leans back far enough to stay up by itself.

Finishing

- Weave in any tail that is left on the wrong side.

In all: 3,140 stitches (1,720 in the top, 192 in the edge, 288 in the shell border, 940 in the band underneath).

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