Square net scrubby

Sink size · US terms



Finished size
About 4 in (10 cm) square, without the loop

Skill
Easy
Worked in rows, with the stitches named

Yarn
Bulky (5), 2 colors

Hook
6.5 mm (US K-10½)

Gauge
11 stitches to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: mint net and gray cotton, main color **about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: gray, color B **about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Fiber: cotton
Hook: 6.5 mm (US K-10½), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a 5 mm (US H-8) hook for the loop, 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	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Sink size (this file)	**4 in (10 cm) square**	**about 25 yd (23 m)**
Pan size	6 in (15 cm) square	about 50 yd (46 m)

Abbreviations

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

ch chain
sl st slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
st stitch
rnd round

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Gauge

11 stitches to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

About 11½ rows of single crochet to 4 in (10 cm). A and B give the same gauge. The 9 sc of row 1 measure about 3¼ in (8.5 cm). If yours measure more, use a smaller hook; if they measure less, use a larger hook.

Before you start

- A ch 1 at the start of a row or round does not count as a stitch.
- Join a new color with a sl st in the place named. Fasten off a color only where the round says so; where it does not, the same color goes on into the next round.
- The amounts are for one scrubby. An amount of A is so many yards of net strip and as many yards of cotton. An amount of B is measured on the two strands held together, so it takes twice as many yards of cotton.
- Strips: nylon net comes about 72 in (183 cm) wide. Fold it so that its two side edges meet and then once more the same way, so that it lies in four layers about 18 in (46 cm) wide. Cut straight across, from fold to fold, through all four layers, into strips 1 in (2.5 cm) wide. Opened out, each strip is about 72 in (183 cm) long. Stiff tulle of the same width does as well.
- To join strips: when about 4 in (10 cm) of a strip is left, tie the next strip to its end with a square knot (right over left, then left over right). Pull it tight, cut the ends to ½ in (1.5 cm), and leave the knot on the wrong side as you come to it. Gather a strip between the fingers and work it like a thick yarn.
- A is two as one: a strip of net and a strand of cotton are held side by side and worked as one yarn; each time the hook draws up a loop it takes both. Leave the loops easy, so that the net stays springy.
- B is two strands of the gray cotton worked as one: use the two ends of a ball, or two balls.
- In rows, the ch 1 does not count: after turning, the first stitch goes in the first stitch you come to, the last one worked in the row below. The right side of row 1 is the right side of the piece.
- A row end is the side of the first or the last stitch of a row.

Instructions

Chosen: Sink size. 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 and sc is double crochet.

Square

Yarn A, mint net and gray cotton.

Back: with B in place of A, work the foundation and rows 1 to 9, fasten off and set it aside.

Front: with A, work the foundation and rows 1 to 9, fasten off A, and go on to the edge, which is worked with B through both squares. (For the pan size: the same, with the foundation and rows 1 to 15 of that size.)

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 10.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each of next 8 chs	**(9 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 8**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each of next 9 sc	**(9 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 8: tick them off as you go.

2 3 4 5 6 7 8

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☐ **Row 9**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each of next 9 sc. Fasten off A	**(9 sc)**
☐ **End**	Do not fasten off.	

Edge

Yarns in order of use: A, mint net and gray cotton; B, gray.

☐ **Foundation**	Lay the back behind the front, wrong sides together, row 9 of both at the top and the front toward you. Do not turn: begin at the end of row 9 where A was fastened off and work down that side, along the foundation, up the other side and across row 9, the front always toward you. Every stitch goes through the front and then through the same place of the back; on row 9 under both loops of both, on the foundation under the loops of the chain that are left. As you go, push every knot and end in between the two squares.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Join B with sl st in next row end, ch 1, sc in same place, sc in each of next 8 row ends, 3 sc in next ch, sc in each of next 7 chs, 3 sc in next ch, sc in each of next 9 row ends, 3 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 7 sc, 3 sc in next sc, join with sl st in first sc	**(44 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Putting it together

Hanging loop: with the 5 mm (US H-8) hook and one strand of the gray cotton, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm), and with the front toward you, join with a slip stitch in the middle sc of the 3 sc at any corner, ch 14, and slip stitch in the same place again without twisting the chain. Work 22 single crochet (UK double crochet) into the ring this makes, over the chain, pushing them close together; slip stitch in the same place once more. Fasten off with a tail of 6 in (15 cm). Draw both tails in between the two squares with the yarn needle, bring them out 2 in (5 cm) away, pull lightly and cut them close.

Finishing

- Draw every end that is left in between the two squares with the yarn needle.

In all: 125 stitches (81 in the square, 44 in the edge).

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