# Star garland

US terms



Finished size
**About 50 in (127 cm) long with the chain laid straight; each star is about 3½ in (9 cm) from point to point**

Skill
**Easy**
Worked in rounds, with 9 pieces and color changes.

Yarn
**Medium (4), 2 colors**

Hook
**5 mm (US H-8)**

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

## You will need

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| Yarn A: gold, the gold stars | **about 30 yd (27 m), an estimate** |
| Yarn B: cream, the cream stars and the chain | **about 30 yd (27 m), an estimate** |

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8). Also: a yarn needle, scissors, pins for blocking and a spray bottle.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. The estimate is from the stitches and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

## Abbreviations

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

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| **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) |
| **tr** | treble crochet (UK dtr, double treble) |
| **sk** | skip |
| **st** | stitch |
| **rnd** | round |
| **RS** | right side |

## Gauge

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


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Chain: 17 chains to 4 in (10 cm). A chain is narrower than a single crochet, and the lengths here are worked out from this figure, with every slip stitch of the chain counted as one chain more; if your chain is looser or tighter, the string is longer or shorter.

**Check your gauge on the piece.** Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 1 the piece measures about 1½ in (4 cm) across. If yours is larger, use a smaller hook; if it is smaller, use a larger hook.

## Before you start

- Rounds are worked with the right side facing; do not turn.
- Magic ring: wrap the yarn round two fingers, work the first round or row into the loop, then pull the tail until the ring is closed. Four chains joined into a ring with a slip stitch may be used instead.
- A chain that counts as a stitch is marked so in its line and is included in the count.
- In a round of petals or points the last slip stitch falls in the stitch the first petal or point began in.
- A petal or point is worked back along its own chain: begin in the chain named and work one stitch or group in each chain until none is left.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line count its stitches; slip stitches, and the chains of the points, are not counted.
- Each point of the star is worked back along its own chain of 5 and stands on 3 stitches of round 1.
- The same words in another yarn make another size, measured the longest way: fine yarn (2) and a 3.25 mm hook, about 33½ in (85 cm); light yarn (3) and a 4 mm hook, about 39 in (99 cm); bulky yarn (5) and a 6.5 mm hook, about 63¾ in (162 cm).

## Instructions

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 round is done. In UK terms sl st is slip stitch, sc is double crochet, hdc is half treble, dc is treble and tr is double treble.

### Gold star: make 5

**Yarn A, gold.**

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| ☐ **Foundation** | With A, make a magic ring. | |
| ☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)** | Ch 3 (counts as dc), 14 dc in ring, sl st in top of ch-3 to join | **(15 dc)** |
| ☐ **Rnd 2** | **[**Ch 5, sc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc in next ch, dc in next ch, tr in next ch, sk next 2 sts, sl st in next st**] 5 times** | **(5 sc, 5 hdc, 5 dc, 5 tr)** |
| ☐ **End** | Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail. | |

### Cream star: make 4

**Yarn B, cream.**

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| ☐ **Foundation** | With B, make a magic ring. | |
| ☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)** | Ch 3 (counts as dc), 14 dc in ring, sl st in top of ch-3 to join | **(15 dc)** |


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| ☐ **Rnd 2** | **[**Ch 5, sc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc in next ch, dc in next ch, tr in next ch, sk next 2 sts, sl st in next st**] 5 times** **(5 sc, 5 hdc, 5 dc, 5 tr)** |
| ☐ **End** | Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail. |

## Finishing

- Block: pin the pieces to shape on a flat surface, spray them with water and let them dry.
- Weave in both ends of every star with the yarn needle.
- The chain: with B, ch 14. Take a gold star with its right side facing you and slip stitch in the tip of any point, in the chain the point turns at; [ch 22, slip stitch in the tip of any point of the next star in the same way] 8 times, taking a cream star and a gold star in turn; ch 14 and fasten off. There are 204 chains and 9 slip stitches in all.
- Weave in all the ends that are left with the yarn needle.

In all: 9 pieces; 315 stitches (35 in each gold star, 35 in each cream star); 20 ends to weave in.

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