Three button cowl

Deep · US terms



Finished size
About 23¼ in (59 cm) around when it is buttoned and 10 in (25 cm) deep

Skill
Easy
Two stitches in one place, buttonholes, and one slanting edge

Yarn
Medium (4)

Hook
5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge
14 stitches and 12 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In paired half double crochet.

You will need

Yarn: oatmeal, medium (4) **about 250 yd (229 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: 3 flat buttons about 1¼ in (3 cm) across, with two or four holes and a yarn needle that goes through the holes of the buttons, scissors and a tape measure.

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 15 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Short	23¼ in (59 cm) around, 7¼ in (18 cm) deep	about 190 yd (174 m)
Deep (this file)	**23¼ in (59 cm) around, 10 in (25 cm) deep**	**about 250 yd (229 m)**

Abbreviations

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

ch chain stitch
sl st slip stitch: insert hook in the place named, yo, pull through it and the loop on hook (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
hdc half double crochet (UK htr, half treble)
hdc2tog half double crochet 2 together: [yo, insert hook in next st, yo, pull up a loop] 2 times, yo, pull through all 5 loops (UK h
RS right side
sk skip (UK miss)
sp space
st stitch
yo yarn over (UK yrh, yarn round hook)

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Gauge

14 stitches and 12 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in paired half double crochet.

Check it on the cowl itself, laid flat and not stretched, when 8 rows are done: 35 stitches are about 10 in (25 cm) wide and the 8 rows about 2¾ in (7 cm) tall. If they measure more, start again with a smaller hook; if they measure less, with a larger one.

Before you start

- The ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch. The first stitch of a row goes into the first st, at the edge where you turned.
- Row 1 is the right side. The odd-numbered rows are worked with the right side facing you.
- Paired half double crochet: pass over one st, and work 2 hdc in the next one. The next row passes over the stitch of each pair that it meets first and works 2 hdc in the other one, so the pairs lean first one way and then the other, like a basket weave.
- The piece is worked the long way, from the lower edge up: each row runs once round the neck. The last stitches of an odd-numbered row are the flap. It is plain hdc, and it loses one stitch at its end on every odd-numbered row from row 3 on, so its edge slants.
- A buttonhole is a ch-3 sp near the end of an odd-numbered row: in Deep on rows 5, 15 and 25, in Short on rows 5, 11 and 17. In the next row the 3 hdc go into the space, around the chains.
- "2 hdc in next st" puts both stitches in that one place.
- In the front edge, put the hook for each sc under two strands at the very end of the row. After the sl st that joins the yarn, the first sc goes into the same row end.
- To join a yarn with a sl st, make a slip knot of it on the hook, put the hook in the place named, yo, and pull through the place and the loop on the hook.
- Leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) when you begin, when you join a yarn and when you fasten off, unless another length is given. The ends that are not sewn with are woven in.
- When a ball runs out, join the next at the end of a row: work the last yarn over of the last stitch with the new yarn, and leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) on both.

Instructions

Chosen: Deep. 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, hdc2tog is half treble 2 together, sk is miss and yo is yarn round hook.

Cowl

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 104.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(103 hdc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in next 24 sts, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in last st	**(103 hdc)**
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in next 22 sts, hdc2tog	**(101 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)**
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in next 23 sts, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in last st	**(102 hdc)**
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in next 17 sts, ch 3, sk next 3 sts, hdc in next st, hdc2tog	**(97 hdc, 1 hdc2tog, 1 ch-3 sp)**
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in next 2 sts, 3 hdc in next ch-3 sp, hdc in next 17 sts, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in last st	**(101 hdc)**

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☐ **Row 7**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in next 20 sts, hdc2tog	**(99 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)**
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in next 21 sts, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in last st	**(100 hdc)**
☐ **Row 9**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in next 19 sts, hdc2tog	**(98 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)**
☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in next 20 sts, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in last st	**(99 hdc)**
☐ **Row 11**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in next 18 sts, hdc2tog	**(97 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)**
☐ **Row 12**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in next 19 sts, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in last st	**(98 hdc)**
☐ **Row 13**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in next 17 sts, hdc2tog	**(96 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)**
☐ **Row 14**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in next 18 sts, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in last st	**(97 hdc)**
☐ **Row 15**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in next 12 sts, ch 3, sk next 3 sts, hdc in next st, hdc2tog	**(92 hdc, 1 hdc2tog, 1 ch-3 sp)**
☐ **Row 16**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in next 2 sts, 3 hdc in next ch-3 sp, hdc in next 12 sts, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in last st	**(96 hdc)**
☐ **Row 17**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in next 15 sts, hdc2tog	**(94 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)**
☐ **Row 18**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in next 16 sts, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in last st	**(95 hdc)**
☐ **Row 19**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in next 14 sts, hdc2tog	**(93 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)**
☐ **Row 20**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in next 15 sts, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in last st	**(94 hdc)**
☐ **Row 21**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in next 13 sts, hdc2tog	**(92 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)**
☐ **Row 22**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in next 14 sts, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in last st	**(93 hdc)**
☐ **Row 23**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in next 12 sts, hdc2tog	**(91 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)**
☐ **Row 24**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in next 13 sts, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in last st	**(92 hdc)**
☐ **Row 25**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in next 7 sts, ch 3, sk next 3 sts, hdc in next st, hdc2tog	**(87 hdc, 1 hdc2tog, 1 ch-3 sp)**
☐ **Row 26**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in next 2 sts, 3 hdc in next ch-3 sp, hdc in next 7 sts, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in last st	**(91 hdc)**
☐ **Row 27**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in next 10 sts, hdc2tog	**(89 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)**
☐ **Row 28**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in next 11 sts, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in last st	**(90 hdc)**
☐ **Row 29**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in next 9 sts, hdc2tog	**(88 hdc, 1 hdc2tog)**
☐ **Row 30**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in next 10 sts, **[**sk next st, 2 hdc in next st**] 39 times**, hdc in last st	**(89 hdc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

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Front edge

The slanting edge is the front edge. Hold the piece with the right side facing you and turn it so that the slanting edge is at the top: begin at the end of row 30 and work down to the end of row 1.

☐ **Foundation**	Work along the ends of the rows on the left of the Cowl, right side facing: 30 row ends.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Join A with sl st in end of next row, ch 1, **[**sc in end of each of next 4 rows, 2 sc in end of next row**] 6 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(36 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Assembly

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

2. Buttons: lay the piece flat, right side up, with the foundation chain at the bottom. The straight end is on the right. The buttons stand on the straight end, the first one on row 5 between the 16th and the 17th stitch from that end, the second on row 15 between the 11th and the 12th stitch, and the third on row 25 between the 6th and the 7th stitch (count each stitch of every pair).

3. Sew on each button with a yarn of its own. Cut a length of A about 60 in (152 cm) long, and cut it into 3 equal parts, one for each button. Fasten it on the wrong side under the place of the button, bring the needle up through one hole and down through the next, 4 times, and do the same with the other two holes if the button has four. Fasten off on the wrong side.

4. Bring the two ends together in front, right side out and without twisting the piece, lay the flap over the straight end and push each button through the buttonhole that lies over it. At the foundation chain 22 stitches of the flap lie over the straight end, at the last row 8.

Finishing

- The ends of the button lengths are woven in on the wrong side.
- The buttons are for grown people. Leave them out for a small child.

In all: 2,943 stitches (2,871 in the cowl, 72 in the front edge).

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