Unicorn scarf

US terms



Finished size
About 46 in (117 cm) long without the fringe and 5 1/8 in (13 cm) wide; head about 5½ in (14 cm) wide and 7¾ in (20 cm) tall, without the ears

Skill
Intermediate
Ovals in joined rounds, and small pieces to sew

Yarn
Medium (4), 7 colors

Hook
5 mm (US H-8)

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

What you need

Yarn A: ivory, main color	**about 270 yd (247 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: honey, stripe	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: shell pink, stripe	**about 35 yd (32 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: lavender, stripe	**about 35 yd (32 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: sky, stripe	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**
Yarn F: mint, stripe	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**
Yarn G: charcoal, stripe	**about 3 yd (3 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 200 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a yarn needle, scissors, a tape measure, a stitch marker and about 20 pins and a handful of stuffing for the horn.

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.

Gauge

14 stitches and 12 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in half double crochet. Along a row, count every stitch and every chain between stitches as one.

Check it on the scarf itself, laid flat and not stretched, when row 12 is done: the 18 stitches of a row are about 5 1/8 in (13 cm) wide, and the 12 rows are about 4 in (10 cm) tall. If they measure more, start again with a smaller hook; if they measure less, with a larger one.

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Notes

- The ch 1 at the start of a row or a round does not count as a stitch.
- The right side of a piece in rounds is the side that faces you as you work; the right side of a piece in rows is the side that faces you in row 1.
- An oval (the head, the muzzle) begins with a chain that is worked on both of its sides, and so does an ear. When the last chain is worked, do not turn: go on round the end and work back along the other side of the chain, the first stitch into the same chain as the last one, and the last stitch into the chain where the round began.
- Where the words in square brackets of an oval are worked 2 times, each time is one half of the oval: from one end, along one long side, to the other end.
- To sew a piece on: lay it where the step says, right side up. With the yarn on a yarn needle, come up from below through both loops of a stitch of its edge and go down into the piece underneath, just outside that stitch. Work one sewing stitch for each stitch of the edge that is named. A chain of a foundation edge counts as a stitch, and so does the end of a row. Fasten off where it does not show.
- Backstitch: come up one stitch length ahead on the line, go down again where the last sewing stitch ended, and go on so.
- The scarf is worked from the tail to the head. Its right side is the side that faces you in row 1.
- Leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) when you begin 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.
- Magic ring: wind the yarn once round two fingers, put the hook through the ring and pull up a loop of the working yarn. Round 1 begins with this loop on the hook. Work round 1 into the ring, over both strands, then pull the tail to close it.
- In joined rounds, the first stitch of a round goes into the same stitch as the joining sl st. The joining sl st itself is not a stitch and is not worked into.
- To change yarn, work the last yarn over of the stitch before the change with the new yarn, and leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) on both yarns. Where the new yarn begins with row 2 of a mane or of the forelock, that is the last stitch of row 1, and the ch 1 of row 2 is in the new yarn. In an ear, the joining sl st of round 1 is made with A.
- A loop of a mane or of the forelock is the chain between two sc: 10, 12 or 14 chains in a mane, 10 in the forelock. It hangs free.
- Wear: lay the scarf round the neck, pass the tail end through the slot from the wrong side to the right side, and draw it up only so far that the scarf lies loose. It is for a child who can take it off without help.
- Buy whole balls from one dye lot.

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Instructions

US terms.

ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **hdc** half double crochet (UK half treble), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **Rnd** round, **sp** space, **st** stitch.

BLO: only the loop away from you. **sk** skip, **yo** yarn over the hook, **RS** right side, the one that shows.

3 sc in next st: all in one stitch. **hdc in next 4 sts**: one in each. **ch-10 sp**: the gap under ten chains; the hook goes in the gap.

[ ] 2 times: work what is inside 2 times in all.

(18 hdc): the stitches you have when the row is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Scarf

Yarn A, ivory.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 19.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(18 hdc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 97**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(18 hdc)

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29
30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57
58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85
86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96 97

The slot

☐ **Row 98**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in next 4 sts, ch 10, sk next 10 sts, hdc in next 4 sts	(8 hdc, 1 ch-10 sp)
☐ **Row 99**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in next 4 sts, 10 hdc in next ch-10 sp, hdc in next 4 sts	(18 hdc)

The head end

☐ **Rows 100 to 132**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in each st across	(18 hdc)

100 101 102 103 104 105 106 107 108 109 110 111 112 113 114 115 116 117 118 119 120 121 122 123 124 125 126 127
128 129 130 131 132

☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Head

Yarn A, ivory.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 10.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across, working along the other side of the chain, sc in each ch across; join with sl st in first sc	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, **[**3 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(24 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in each of next 2 sts**] 2 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(30 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(42 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 14 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(48 sc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 2 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(54 sc)
☐ **Rnd 8**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 17 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 2 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(60 sc)
☐ **Rnd 9**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 11 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 2 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(66 sc)
☐ **Rnd 10**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 20 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 2 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(72 sc)
☐ **Rnd 11**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 12 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 2 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(78 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Muzzle

Yarn D, lavender.

☐ **Foundation**	With D, ch 7.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across, working along the other side of the chain, sc in each ch across; join with sl st in first sc	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, **[**3 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(18 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in each of next 2 sts**] 2 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(24 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(30 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**; join with sl st in first sc	(36 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of about 42 in (107 cm) to sew with.	

Ear: make 2

Yarns in order of use: C, shell pink; A, ivory.

☐ **Foundation**	With C, ch 9.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc in next ch, dc in next 4 chs, hdc in next ch, sc in next ch, working along the other side of the chain, sc in next ch, hdc in next ch, dc in next 4 chs, hdc in next ch, sc in next ch; join with sl st in first sc	(8 dc, 4 hdc, 4 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	With A, ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in last st; join with sl st in first sc	(20 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, 2 hdc in first st, sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts, 2 hdc in last st; join with sl st in first hdc	(22 sc, 4 hdc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Horn

Yarn B, honey.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1, 4 sc in ring; pull the tail to close the ring; join with sl st in first sc	(4 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, sc in BLO of each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(4 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, 2 sc in BLO of first st, sc in BLO of next st, 2 sc in BLO of next st, sc in BLO of next st; join with sl st in first sc	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1, sc in BLO of each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 1, 2 sc in BLO of first st, sc in BLO of next 2 sts, 2 sc in BLO of next st, sc in BLO of next 2 sts; join with sl st in first sc	(8 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	Ch 1, sc in BLO of each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(8 sc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	Ch 1, 2 sc in BLO of first st, sc in BLO of next 3 sts, 2 sc in BLO of next st, sc in BLO of next 3 sts; join with sl st in first sc	(10 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 8**	Ch 1, sc in BLO of each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(10 sc)
☐ **Rnd 9**	Ch 1, 2 sc in BLO of first st, sc in BLO of next 4 sts, 2 sc in BLO of next st, sc in BLO of next 4 sts; join with sl st in first sc	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 10**	Ch 1, sc in BLO of each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 11**	Ch 1, 2 sc in BLO of first st, sc in BLO of next 5 sts, 2 sc in BLO of next st, sc in BLO of next 5 sts; join with sl st in first sc	(14 sc)
☐ **Rnds 12 to 15** 12 13 14 15	Ch 1, sc in BLO of each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(14 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of about 20 in (51 cm) to sew with.	

Right mane: make 2

Yarns in order of use: A, ivory; F, mint; E, sky; D, lavender; C, shell pink.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 37.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(36 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; with F, sc in first st, **[**ch 10, sc in next st**] 8 times**, with E, **[**ch 12, sc in next st**] 9 times**, with D, **[**ch 14, sc in next st**] 9 times**, with C, **[**ch 14, sc in next st**] 9 times**	(36 sc, 9 ch-12 sps, 8 ch-10 sps, 18 ch-14 sps)
☐ **End**	Fasten off C.	

Left mane: make 2

Yarns in order of use: A, ivory; C, shell pink; D, lavender; E, sky; F, mint.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 37.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(36 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; with C, sc in first st, **[**ch 14, sc in next st**] 9 times**, with D, **[**ch 14, sc in next st**] 9 times**, with E, **[**ch 12, sc in next st**] 9 times**, with F, **[**ch 10, sc in next st**] 8 times**	(36 sc, 9 ch-12 sps, 8 ch-10 sps, 18 ch-14 sps)
☐ **End**	Fasten off F.	

Forelock

Yarns in order of use: A, ivory; C, shell pink; D, lavender; E, sky; F, mint.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 10.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(9 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; with C, sc in first st, **[**ch 10, sc in next st**] 2 times**, with D, **[**ch 10, sc in next st**] 2 times**, with E, **[**ch 10, sc in next st**] 2 times**, with F, **[**ch 10, sc in next st**] 2 times**	(9 sc, 8 ch-10 sps)
☐ **End**	Fasten off F.	

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Cheek: make 2

Yarn C, shell pink.

☐ **Foundation**	With C, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 1, 6 sc in ring; pull the tail to close the ring; join with sl st in first sc	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around; join with sl st in first sc	(12 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of about 22 in (56 cm) to sew with.	

Assembly

1. Weave in all the ends but the long tails to sew with: those of the muzzle, the horn and the two cheeks. In the steps that follow the head stands upright: its foundation chain runs up and down in the middle, and the end where its rounds are joined is the lower end. Left and right are as you look at its right side. The 9 chains of the head that hold stitches are counted from the top, and its rounds are counted outward from the chain. Put a marker in the edge of the head at the top: fold the head in half along the foundation chain, and it goes in the edge stitch at the fold.

2. Muzzle: lay it right side up on the head, its long way level, so that the middle of its foundation chain lies on the middle line of the head and its lower edge lies on the line between rounds 10 and 11 at the lower end of the head. Its upper edge then lies about level with chain 9 of the head. With its tail sew it down all round: 36 stitches. The 6 chains in its middle that hold stitches are counted in the next steps from left to right, as they lie here: chain 1 is the one at the left end, chain 6 the one at the right end, and the middle is between chains 3 and 4.

3. Cheeks: lay one at the left and one at the right of the head, level with chain 7, its middle on the line between rounds 8 and 9. With its tail sew it down all round: 12 stitches.

4. Eyes: each is a closed eye, a line of 6 backstitches that sags in the middle, with three lashes under it. Cut a length of G about 30 in (76 cm) for each. The left eye lies over rounds 3 to 8 at the left of the foundation chain, one backstitch over each round. Its line begins level with chain 2 on the line between rounds 2 and 3, comes down to the level of chain 4 on the line between rounds 5 and 6, and ends level with chain 2 again on the line between rounds 8 and 9. The lashes are straight stitches about ½ in (1.3 cm) long, one from each of the three outermost stitch ends of the line (between rounds 6 and 7, 7 and 8, and 8 and 9), each of them down and outward. Work the right eye as its mirror.

5. Nostrils: cut a length of G about 16 in (41 cm). The left nostril is straight above chain 1 of the muzzle and the right nostril is straight above chain 6. Each is two upright straight stitches side by side, about 1/8 in (3 mm) apart: one straight above the left half of that chain and one straight above its right half. Each begins on the line between rounds 1 and 2 above the chain and goes straight up to the line between rounds 2 and 3. Place them by the chain below: the stitches of round 2 are not counted.

6. Mouth: cut a length of G about 14 in (36 cm). Work a line of 4 backstitches on the muzzle below its foundation chain: from the line between rounds 1 and 2 straight below chain 2, down to the line between rounds 2 and 3 below the middle (between chains 3 and 4), and up to the line between rounds 1 and 2 straight below chain 5. Two of the backstitches are to the left of the middle and two to the right of it.

7. Lay the scarf right side up with its last row toward you. Lay the head on it right side up, its middle line on the middle of the scarf, between stitches 9 and 10, and the marked stitch of its edge on the line between rows 115 and 116. The last row of the scarf then lies behind the head, about 2 1/8 in (5.4 cm) above its lower end. Pin the head down.

8. Ears: the point of an ear is where its rounds are joined. Count 8 stitches along the edge of the head from the marked stitch, to the left. Slide the round end of an ear, right side up, under the head there, so that the middle line of the ear lies under the 8th stitch, about ¾ in (2 cm) of the ear is under the head and the point looks straight out from the edge, up and to the left. Pin it. Pin the other ear in the same way at the right.

9. Head: cut a length of A about 32 in (81 cm) long. Begin 11 stitches to one side of the marked stitch and sew the

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edge of the head down round the top to 11 stitches past it on the other side: 23 stitches into the scarf, and where an ear lies between, through the ear too. Both ends of this seam are at an edge of the scarf.

10. Turn the work over. Cut a length of A about 48 in (122 cm) long and sew the scarf to the back of the head, taking up only the back of the head: 12 stitches in the ends of rows 121 to 132 at one side, 18 along the last row and 12 in the row ends of the other side, 42 stitches.

11. Horn: stuff it lightly up to its 11th round, the tip hardly at all. Press its open end flat, with the joins of the rounds in the middle of the back. Lay it on the scarf so that it points straight away from the head along the middle of the scarf, its flat end on the line between rounds 5 and 6 of the head above the foundation chain. With its tail sew the flat end to the head: 7 stitches, each through both layers of the horn. Then run the rest of this tail up inside the horn to the back of its 8th round, and sew the back of this round to the scarf with 3 stitches.

12. Forelock: lay it right side up across the foot of the horn, its foundation chain level, over the flat end of the horn, its loops toward the eyes. Cut a length of A about 20 in (51 cm) long and sew the foundation chain down: 9 stitches.

13. Mane: lay the scarf right side up with the head toward you. The two strips of the right mane lie right side up along the right edge of the scarf, and those of the left mane along the left edge, their loops outward, their C end toward the head. They begin at the end of row 111 of the scarf, so that rows 112 to 115, the four next to the head, stay free for the ears, and run away from the head to the end of row 81: the 36 chains of a strip lie along 31 rows. At each edge the foundation chain of the first strip lies on the edge stitch of every row, and the foundation chain of the second on the third stitch from the edge, so that its loops lie over those of the first. Where a loop meets an ear, the ear lies over it. For each of the four strips cut a length of A about 44 in (112 cm) long and sew the foundation chain down: 36 stitches.

14. Tail fringe: cut 15 lengths each of C and F and 12 each of D and E, all of them about 11 in (28 cm) long. For each knot fold three lengths of one color in half together, pull the fold through the edge with the hook, pull the ends through the fold and draw it tight. Lay the scarf right side up with its foundation edge toward you and make one knot in each of the 18 chains: from the left, 5 knots of C, 4 of D, 4 of E and 5 of F. Trim the ends level, about 4½ in (11.5 cm) long.

Finishing

- Weave in what is left of the sewing tails and lengths on the wrong side.

In all: 13 pieces; 3,630 stitches.

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