V-stitch edging

Round a small cloth · US terms



Finished size
Stands out about 2 in (5 cm)
About 8¾ × 8 in (22 × 20 cm) with a finished rectangle of 15 stitches by 15 rows of single crochet

Skill
Easy
V-stitches, chain spaces

Yarn
Medium (4), 4 colors

Hook
5.5 mm (US I-9)

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

You will need

Yarn A: the color of your piece, round 1	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: apple green, first V-stitches	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: teal, second V-stitches	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: coral pink, scallops	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9). Also: yarn needle, scissors and tape measure.

To work on: a finished rectangle of 15 stitches by 15 rows of single crochet, already made. It is written out under Instructions. Its yarn is not in the amount above.

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. For another length of edge, the yarn for a side is in proportion to its length.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Round a small cloth (this file)	**8¾ × 8 in (22 × 20 cm)**	**about 50 yd (45 m)**
Round a baby blanket	34½ × 34¼ in (88 × 87 cm)	about 215 yd (197 m)
Round a throw	53 × 53 in (135 × 135 cm)	about 335 yd (307 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)
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
rnd	round
RS	right side
sk	skip
sp	space
st	stitch

Gauge

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

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 1 the top edge of the size printed below, measured between its two corner stitches and not counting them, is about 4.6 in (11.7 cm). If the edge ruffles, work the round again with a smaller hook; if it pulls in, with a larger one; keep the number of stitches.

To fit your own piece, work round 1 so that the stitches between two corner stitches are a multiple of 6 plus 3 (9, 15, 21, 27 and so on) on every side; work 2 single crochet in one stitch to gain a stitch or skip one to lose it, spread along the side. Take 3 from that number and divide by 6: that is n (here 15 less 3, divided by 6, so n is 2). Then, for every side, in round 2 the repeat along each side, here worked 5 times, is worked 2 × n + 1 times; in round 3 the repeat along each side, here worked 5 times, is worked 2 × n + 1 times; in round 4 the repeat along each side, here worked 7 times, is worked 2 × n + 3 times. The long repeat in outer brackets, worked 3 times for the other three sides, does not change. On an oblong piece the two longer sides have an n of their own: work each side by its own n. ROUND A BABY BLANKET: the piece is 99 stitches by 113 rows: ch 100 to begin, row 1 ends with 99 sc, and rows 2 to 113 are worked in next 99 sts (99 sc). For the gauge, the 99 stitches between two corner stitches of round 1 are about 30.5 in (77.5 cm). Round 1: 97 sts, not 13, the bracket along the row ends 16 times, not 2, 97 chs, not 13; the round ends with 400 sc. Round 2: the bracket along a side 33 times, not 5; the round ends with 272 dc, 4 ch-3 sps, 132 ch-2 sps. Round 3: the bracket along a side 33 times, not 5; the round ends with 280 dc, 140 ch-2 sps, 4 ch-3 sps. Round 4: the bracket along a side 35 times, not 7; the round ends with 288 sc, 440 dc. Yarn for the edging: A about 35 yd (32 m), B about 45 yd (41.1 m), C about 50 yd (46 m), D about 85 yd (78 m). The piece, if you work it too, takes about 900 yd (823 m) more of yarn A. ROUND A THROW: the piece is 159 stitches by 183 rows: ch 160 to begin, row 1 ends with 159 sc, and rows 2 to 183 are worked in next 159 sts (159 sc). For the gauge, the 159 stitches between two corner stitches of round 1 are about 48.9 in (124.2 cm). Round 1: 157 sts, not 13, the bracket along the row ends 26 times, not 2, 157 chs, not 13; the round ends with 640 sc. Round 2: the bracket along a side 53 times, not 5; the round ends with 432 dc, 4 ch-3 sps, 212 ch-2 sps. Round 3: the bracket along a side 53 times, not 5; the round ends with 440 dc, 220 ch-2 sps, 4 ch-3 sps. Round 4: the bracket along a side 55 times, not 7; the round ends with 448 sc, 680 dc. Yarn for the edging: A about 55 yd (50 m), B about 75 yd (69 m), C about 75 yd (69 m), D about 130 yd (119 m). The piece, if you work it too, takes about 2,350 yd (2,149 m) more of yarn A.

Before you start

- Corner stitch: the middle one of the 3 single crochet in a corner. A round that begins with 2 sc and ends with 1 sc in the same first stitch makes its first corner of those 3 sc, and its corner stitch is the first sc of the round. In rounds after the first, "first st" means the first stitch of the round below.
- Along the row ends, round 1 takes 6 stitches to every 7 rows and one more at the end.
- The foundation edge is the underside of the starting chain: work into what each chain has left free.
- The ch 3 at the start of a round counts as a dc.
- A ch 1 at the start of a round does not count as a stitch.

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- A stitch worked into a chain space goes into the open space under the chain, not into a chain stitch. Where a chain space is the next place named, pass over any stitches that stand before it and leave them unworked.
- Stitches in round brackets with a place after them are all worked into that one place. The brackets at the end of a row hold its count.
- What is in square brackets is worked as many times as the number after them says, in all.
- Every round is worked with the right side facing; do not turn.
- When the next round begins with "Join", fasten off the yarn you have at the end of the round (cut it, leaving a tail of about 6 in (15.2 cm), and draw the tail through the last loop). Then join the yarn named with a slip stitch in the place named.
- "Any corner" means any one of the four corner spaces: the four sides are alike, so the round comes out the same from each of them. Begin in that space and work along the side to its left, the way you always go (to its right if you are left handed).
- The piece is 15 stitches by 15 rows of single crochet, about 4.6 in (11.7 cm) by 4 in (10.2 cm); with the border on it is about 8.8 in (22.4 cm) by 8.1 in (20.6 cm).
- The amounts of yarn are for the edging alone. If you work the piece too, it takes about 20 yd (18 m) more of yarn A, an estimate worked out in the same way (225 single crochet and 30 chains, with 30 percent added), and leaves 2 more ends.
- With the right side facing you and the last row at the top, the first st is the one at the right-hand end of the last row (the left-hand end if you are left handed). Round 1 goes along the top, down the row ends of the next side, along the foundation edge and up the row ends of the last side.
- Round 1 leaves 15 stitches between two corner stitches on every side.

Instructions

Chosen: Round a small cloth. Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. Round brackets ( ) inside a line hold stitches that all go into one place. 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 and dc is treble.

Yarns in order of use: A, the color of your piece; B, apple green; C, teal; D, coral pink.

☐ **Foundation**	A finished piece of 15 sts by 15 rows, RS facing.
☐ **Rnd 1**	Join A with sl st in first st, ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in next 13 sts, 3 sc in last st, **[**sc in end of each of next 6 rows, sk next row end**] 2 times**, sc in end of next row, 3 sc in first ch of foundation edge, sc in next 13 chs, 3 sc in last ch of foundation edge, **[**sc in end of each of next 6 rows, sk next row end**] 2 times**, sc in end of next row, sc in first st, sl st in first sc to join **(64 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Join B with sl st in first st, ch 3 (counts as dc), (ch 3, dc) in same st, **[**sk next st, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 5 times**, **[**(dc, ch 3, dc) in next st, **[**sk next st, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next st, sk next st**] 5 times] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(48 dc, 4 ch-3 sps, 20 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Join C with sl st in any corner ch-3 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (ch 2, dc, ch 3, dc, ch 2, dc) in same sp, **[**(dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch-2 sp**] 5 times**, **[**(dc, ch 2, dc, ch 3, dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch-3 sp, **[**(dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch-2 sp**] 5 times] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(56 dc, 28 ch-2 sps, 4 ch-3 sps)**

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☐ **Rnd 4**	Join D with sl st in any corner ch-3 sp, ch 1, (sc, 5 dc, sc) in same sp, **[**(sc, 3 dc, sc) in next ch-2 sp**] 7 times**, **[**(sc, 5 dc, sc) in next ch-3 sp, **[**(sc, 3 dc, sc) in next ch-2 sp**] 7 times] 3 times**, sl st in first sc to join	**(64 sc, 104 dc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Finishing

- Weave in the ends.

In all: 4 rounds; 336 stitches; 8 ends to weave in.

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