Victorian high neck collar

Medium · US terms



Finished size
About 15 in (38 cm) round and about 2½ in (6 cm) deep

Skill
Intermediate
Eyelets, V-stitches, picots, pleating and sewing

Yarn
Lace (0)

Hook
2.25 mm (US B-1)

Gauge
28 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In double crochet (UK treble).

What you need

Yarn: any one color (white cotton in the picture), lace (0) **about 130 yd (119 m), an estimate**

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 2.25 mm (US B-1), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: yarn needle, scissors, tape measure, four pearl buttons, 0.4 in (1 cm) across, plum velvet ribbon 0.25 in (0.6 cm) wide, its length is given below, sewing needle and sewing thread, pins and spray starch if the collar is to stand without help.

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 and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Medium (this file)	**15 in (38 cm) round, 2½ in (6 cm) deep**	**about 130 yd (119 m)**
Small	14 in (35.5 cm) round, 2½ in (6 cm) deep	about 125 yd (114 m)
Large	16 in (41 cm) round, 2½ in (6 cm) deep	about 135 yd (123 m)

Gauge

28 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in double crochet.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After row 1 the piece, laid straight, is about 15 in (38.1 cm) long. If yours is smaller, use a larger hook; if it is larger, use a smaller one.

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Each size in the list is printed in full when it is chosen. For another neck ch a multiple of 4 plus 2: every 4 chs more are one V more and about 0.6 in (1.5 cm) more round. Take 2 from the number of chs and divide by 4: this is n, the number of Vs (here 26). Work the square brackets of rows 3, 4, 9 and 10 (2 x n) - 1 times (here 51), those of rows 5 and 11 n times (here 26) and those of rows 6, 7 and 8 n - 1 times (here 25). For a longer jabot work more rows of mesh and dc, two at a time, before the last two rows of a tier; each two are about 0.5 in (1.3 cm).

Notes

- The ch 3 at the start of a row counts as a dc; the last stitch of the next row is worked into the top of it. The chain stands on the first stitch of the row, so "next st" right after it is the second stitch.
- The ch 4 at the start of a row counts as a dc and a ch-1 sp. The stitch that closes over it goes into its 3rd chain. The chain stands on the first stitch of the row, so "next st" right after it is the second stitch.
- A ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.
- 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.
- Row 1 is a right side row. Turn once between rows: the word "turn" near the start of each row is that turn.
- Row 2 of the two tiers of the jabot ends in the top of the turning ch: this is the skipped chs at the start of row 1, and its top is the ch that was next to the hook. Row 2 of the collar has no turning ch to work into: it is 1 sc in each sc.
- The ch 5 at the start of rows 3 and 9 of the collar counts as a tr and a ch-1 sp. The last st of the next row goes into its 4th chain, counted from the bottom, which is the top of the tr. The chain stands on the first stitch of the row, so the stitch you skip next is the second one.
- A stitch worked into a chain space goes into the open space under the chain. Where the next place named is a stitch, pass over the chain space before it, and where it is a space, pass over the stitch before it, unless the row says to skip it.
- A V is (dc, ch 1, dc) in one stitch. In row 6 the sc with the picot goes into the space of a V and the other sc on the single dc between two Vs; the second dc of each V is skipped. In row 7 a V goes into every sc that has a picot and a dc into every other sc. Push the picots out to the right side.
- Whip stitch: bring the needle through both pieces, over the edge and through both pieces again, a stitch farther along, always from the same side.
- For a collar that stands without help, damp it with spray starch, pin it out flat to size and let it dry before you sew it up.
- Buy whole balls from one dye lot.
- The collar is about 15 in (38.1 cm) round and stands about 2.4 in (6.1 cm) high. The jabot hangs about 3.7 in (9.4 cm) below it: the lower tier is about 3.9 in (9.9 cm) long and the upper tier about 2.3 in (5.8 cm), and each is about 7 in (17.8 cm) wide before it is pleated.
- Choose the size whose length round is nearest to the neck it is for, measured where the collar will stand, and not shorter than it. The jabot is the same in all sizes.
- You need about 1.4 yd (1.3 m) of ribbon: two pieces of 16.5 in (41.9 cm) for the rows of holes and one of 16 in (40.6 cm) for the bow.
- The collar is worked from its lower edge up: rows 3 and 9 are the holes for the ribbon, rows 5 to 7 the lace, row 11 the upper edge. The tiers are worked from the top down.

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Instructions

Medium. US terms.

ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **tr** treble crochet (UK double treble), **sp** space, **st** stitch.
sk skip, **RS** right side, the one that shows, **WS** wrong side, the back.
ch-1 sp: the gap under the one chain; the hook goes in the gap.
[ ] 51 times: work what is inside 51 times in all. **( )**: all of it goes into the one place.
(105 sc): the stitches you have when the row is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Special stitches

picot: Ch 3, sl st in 3rd ch from hook. Nothing is worked into the picot, and it uses no stitch of the row below.

Collar

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 106.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(105 sc)
☐ **Row 2 (WS)**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, sc in next 104 sts	(105 sc)
☐ **Row 3 (RS)**	Ch 5 (counts as tr and ch-1 sp), turn; sk next st, **[**tr in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 51 times**, tr in last st	(53 tr, 52 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 4 (WS)**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next st**] 51 times**, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in 4th ch of turning ch	(105 sc)
☐ **Row 5 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**sk next st, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next st, sk next st, dc in next st**] 26 times**	(79 dc, 26 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 6 (WS)**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**ch 2, sk next st, sc in next ch-1 sp, picot, ch 2, sk next st, sc in next st**] 25 times**, ch 2, sk next st, sc in next ch-1 sp, picot, ch 2, sk next st, sc in top of turning ch	(53 sc, 52 ch-2 sps, 26 picots)
☐ **Row 7 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**sk next ch-2 sp, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next st, sk next ch-2 sp, dc in next st**] 25 times**, sk next ch-2 sp, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next st, sk next ch-2 sp, dc in last st	(79 dc, 26 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 8 (WS)**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next 2 sts**] 25 times**, sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next st, sc in top of turning ch	(105 sc)
☐ **Row 9 (RS)**	Ch 5 (counts as tr and ch-1 sp), turn; sk next st, **[**tr in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 51 times**, tr in last st	(53 tr, 52 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 10 (WS)**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next st**] 51 times**, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in 4th ch of turning ch	(105 sc)
☐ **Row 11 (RS)**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**sk next st, (3 dc, picot, 2 dc) in next st, sk next st, sc in next st**] 26 times**	(27 sc, 130 dc, 26 picots)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

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Lower tier of the jabot

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 51.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Dc in 4th ch from hook (skipped chs count as dc) and in each ch across	(49 dc)
☐ **Row 2 (WS)**	Ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1 sp), turn; sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 23 times**, dc in top of turning ch	(25 dc, 24 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 3 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 23 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in 3rd ch of turning ch	(49 dc)
☐ **Row 4 (WS)**	Ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1 sp), turn; sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 23 times**, dc in top of turning ch	(25 dc, 24 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 5 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 23 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in 3rd ch of turning ch	(49 dc)
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☐ **Row 8 (WS)**	Ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1 sp), turn; sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 23 times**, dc in top of turning ch	(25 dc, 24 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 9 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 23 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in 3rd ch of turning ch	(49 dc)
☐ **Row 10 (WS)**	Ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1 sp), turn; sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 23 times**, dc in top of turning ch	(25 dc, 24 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 11 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 23 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in 3rd ch of turning ch	(49 dc)
☐ **Row 12 (WS)**	Ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1 sp), turn; sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 23 times**, dc in top of turning ch	(25 dc, 24 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 13 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 23 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in 3rd ch of turning ch	(49 dc)
☐ **Row 14 (WS)**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**ch 3, sk next 3 sts, sc in next st**] 11 times**, ch 3, sk next 3 sts, sc in top of turning ch	(13 sc, 12 ch-3 sps)
☐ **Row 15 (RS)**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**(3 dc, picot, 3 dc) in next ch-3 sp, sc in next st**] 11 times**, (3 dc, picot, 3 dc) in next ch-3 sp, sc in last st	(13 sc, 72 dc, 12 picots)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Upper tier of the jabot

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 51.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Dc in 4th ch from hook (skipped chs count as dc) and in each ch across	(49 dc)
☐ **Row 2 (WS)**	Ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1 sp), turn; sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 23 times**, dc in top of turning ch	(25 dc, 24 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 3 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 23 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in 3rd ch of turning ch	(49 dc)

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☐ **Row 4 (WS)**	Ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1 sp), turn; sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 23 times**, dc in top of turning ch	(25 dc, 24 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 5 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 23 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in 3rd ch of turning ch	(49 dc)
☐ **Row 6 (WS)**	Ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1 sp), turn; sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 23 times**, dc in top of turning ch	(25 dc, 24 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 7 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 23 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in 3rd ch of turning ch	(49 dc)
☐ **Row 8 (WS)**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**ch 3, sk next 3 sts, sc in next st**] 11 times**, ch 3, sk next 3 sts, sc in top of turning ch	(13 sc, 12 ch-3 sps)
☐ **Row 9 (RS)**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**(3 dc, picot, 3 dc) in next ch-3 sp, sc in next st**] 11 times**, (3 dc, picot, 3 dc) in next ch-3 sp, sc in last st	(13 sc, 72 dc, 12 picots)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Assembly

1. Pleats: lay the upper tier on the lower tier, both with the right side up, their foundation edges together. Along these edges mark the 1st st with a pin, and every 4th st after it: the 5th, the 9th and so on to the 49th, 13 pins. Thread the yarn needle with about 20 in (50.8 cm) of yarn, fasten it at the 1st st, and run the needle through both layers at every pin in turn, from front to back at one and from back to front at the next. Take out the pins and draw up the yarn until the edge lies in six folds toward you and is about 1.8 in (4.6 cm) wide. Bring the needle back through the folds the same way, close below, and fasten off.

2. Sewing on the jabot: with the right sides of the collar and of the jabot up, slip the pleated edge up behind the lower edge of the collar, so far that it lies behind rows 1 and 2, its middle behind the 53rd st of the foundation edge, counted from either end, which is the center front. With about 24 in (61 cm) of yarn whip stitch the foundation edge of the collar to the jabot over 13 sts, the center one and 6 on each side of it, and then, on the wrong side, the pleated edge to row 2.

3. Buttons: with the right side facing you and the upper edge at the top, sew four buttons with sewing thread to the right hand back edge, about 0.2 in (0.5 cm) in from it: one at row 1, one at row 4, one at row 7 and one at row 10.

4. Button loops: at the left hand back edge join the yarn with a sl st in the end of row 1, ch 6, sl st in the end of the row above, fasten off; do the same at rows 4, 7 and 10, each time from the end of that row to the end of the row above it. A loop of 6 chs is about 0.7 in (1.8 cm) long; try a button in it before you fasten off.

5. Ribbon in the holes: take a piece of ribbon for row 3 and one for row 9. With the right side facing you begin at a back edge: the ribbon lies over the first tr, goes down through the first hole, under the next tr, up through the next hole, over the next tr and so on to the other back edge, where it lies over the last tr. Leave it flat and a little loose. Turn about 0.5 in (1.3 cm) at each end to the wrong side and sew it down with sewing thread.

6. Bow: tie the last piece of ribbon in a bow with loops about 1.2 in (3 cm) long and sew its knot with sewing thread to the center front of the collar, over rows 1 and 2, where the jabot begins. Trim the ends slanting, about 2.6 in (6.6 cm) long.

Finishing

- Weave in the ends.

In all: 3 pieces; 1,959 stitches (999 in the collar, 591 in the lower tier of the jabot, 369 in the upper tier of the jabot).

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