Victorian lace capelet

S to M · US terms



Finished size
About 45½ in (115.5 cm) round and about 9 in (23 cm) deep

Skill
Intermediate
Working into front and back loops, fans, chain spaces, picots

Yarn
Fine (2), 2 colors

Hook
4.5 mm (US 7)

Gauge
17 stitches and 9 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In double crochet (UK treble).

What you need

Yarn A: ivory, lace **about 475 yd (434 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: rose, picot edges **about 95 yd (87 m), an estimate**
By weight: about 160 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 350 yd (320 m).

Hook: 4.5 mm (US 7), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: yarn needle, scissors, tape measure, one pearl button, 0.6 in (15 mm) across, 0.7 yd (0.6 m) of rose satin ribbon, 0.5 in (1.3 cm) wide, sewing needle and sewing thread in the color of yarn A.

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
S to M (this file)	**45½ in (115.5 cm) round, 9 in (23 cm) deep**	**about 570 yd (521 m)**
L to XL	49¼ in (125 cm) round, 10 in (25.5 cm) deep	about 655 yd (599 m)
2X to 3X	56¾ in (144 cm) round, 11 in (27.5 cm) deep	about 795 yd (727 m)

Gauge

17 stitches and 9 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 6 the piece is about 2.7 in (6.9 cm) deep from the neck edge to the last row. 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; the neck edges are about 15.3 in (38.9 cm), 17.2 in (43.7 cm) and 19.1 in (48.5 cm). For another depth work 2 rows more or fewer before row 8 in the smallest size (before the row of the first tier in the others), or between two tiers: an open row and then a solid row, in which the inner brackets are worked once more than in the solid row before it. Two rows are about 0.9 in (2.3 cm) and give 16 dc more. A tier always stands on a solid row, and the open row after it is worked in the back loops; a tier that stands 2 rows lower has 2 fans more, so the number of times of its brackets is 2 more.

Notes

- BLO means back loop only: work under the back loop of the stitch, the one farther from you. The last dc of such a row goes into the top of the turning ch under both loops.
- The yoke: row 1 and row 2 are solid. From row 3 on every right side row is an open row, and the wrong side row after it has a dc in every dc and one or two dc in every ch-1 sp; it has 16 dc more than the open row has dc and spaces together.
- A fan begins as 5 dc with a ch 1 between two of them, all in one st. Between two fans stands a single dc, worked in every row into the single dc of the row below. In row 2 of a tier "dc in next 2 sts" is the last dc of one fan and the single dc after it. In rows 3 and 4 "sk next st" passes over the last dc of a fan; the next one is the single dc.
- In a row of "(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-2 sp" the dc of the fan below are passed over.
- A picot stands on the sc before it. Nothing is worked into it.
- 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: "same st" right after it is that stitch, and "next st" is the one after it.
- 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: "same st" right after it is that stitch, and "next st" is the one after it.
- A ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.
- A stitch worked into a chain space goes into the open space under the chain, not into a chain stitch. Stitches that lie before the space are passed over and left unworked.
- In row 2 the turning ch is the skipped chs at the start of row 1: its top is the one that was next to the hook.
- Stitches in round brackets with a place after them, or several of one stitch with one 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.
- To change color, work the last stitch of the old color until two loops are left on the hook and draw the new color through them. Cut the old color, leaving a tail of about 6 in (15.2 cm), and fasten in a fresh piece each time: the yarn amounts and the ends to weave in are counted this way.
- Buy whole balls from one dye lot.
- The neck edge is about 15.3 in (38.9 cm). The capelet is about 9.1 in (23.1 cm) deep from the neck edge to the points of the third tier: 16 rows of the yoke, about 7.1 in (18 cm), and the tier, about 2 in (5.1 cm). Row 16, on which the third tier stands, is about 45.4 in (115.3 cm) along its curve. The collar is about 2.9 in (7.4 cm) tall with its ruffle.
- The yoke is 16 rows. The tiers stand on rows 8, 12 and 16, and have 16, 20 and 24 fans. Each tier is five rows, and its last row, like the last row of the collar, is in yarn B (rose); all the rest is in yarn A (ivory).

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Instructions

S to M. US terms.

ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **sp** space, **st** stitch.
sk skip. **BLO**: only the loop away from you. **RS** right side, the one that shows, **WS** wrong side, the back.
2 dc in next st: both in one stitch. **dc in next 3 sts**: one in each. **ch-1 sp**: the gap under the one chain; the hook goes in the gap.
[ ] 15 times: work what is inside 15 times in all. **( )**: all of it goes into the one place.
(65 dc): 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.

Yoke

Yarn A, ivory.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 67.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Dc in 4th ch from hook (skipped chs count as dc) and in each ch across	(65 dc)
☐ **Row 2 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next 3 sts, 2 dc in next st**] 15 times**, dc in next 2 sts, 2 dc in next st, dc in top of turning ch	(81 dc)
☐ **Row 3 (RS)**	Ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1 sp), turn; sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 39 times**, dc in top of turning ch	(41 dc, 40 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 4 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st, **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 3 times**, 2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 7 times**, 2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st, **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 3 times**, 2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in 3rd ch of turning ch	(97 dc)
☐ **Row 5 (RS)**	Ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1 sp), turn; sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 47 times**, dc in top of turning ch	(49 dc, 48 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 6 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st, **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 4 times**, 2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 7 times**, 2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st, **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 4 times**, 2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in 3rd ch of turning ch	(113 dc)
☐ **Row 7 (RS)**	Ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1 sp), turn; sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 55 times**, dc in top of turning ch	(57 dc, 56 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 8 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st, **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 5 times**, 2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 7 times**, 2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st, **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 5 times**, 2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in 3rd ch of turning ch	(129 dc)
☐ **Row 9 (RS)**	Ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1 sp), turn; sk next st, **[**dc in BLO of next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 63 times**, dc in top of turning ch	(65 dc, 64 ch-1 sps)

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☐ **Row 10 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st, **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 6 times**, 2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 7 times**, 2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st, **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 6 times**, 2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in 3rd ch of turning ch (145 dc)
☐ **Row 11 (RS)**	Ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1 sp), turn; sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 71 times**, dc in top of turning ch (73 dc, 72 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 12 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st, **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 7 times**, 2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 7 times**, 2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st, **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 7 times**, 2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in 3rd ch of turning ch (161 dc)
☐ **Row 13 (RS)**	Ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1 sp), turn; sk next st, **[**dc in BLO of next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 79 times**, dc in top of turning ch (81 dc, 80 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 14 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st, **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 8 times**, 2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 7 times**, 2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st, **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 8 times**, 2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in 3rd ch of turning ch (177 dc)
☐ **Row 15 (RS)**	Ch 4 (counts as dc and ch-1 sp), turn; sk next st, **[**dc in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 87 times**, dc in top of turning ch (89 dc, 88 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 16 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st, **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 9 times**, 2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 7 times**, 2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st, **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 9 times**, 2 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in 3rd ch of turning ch (193 dc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.

First tier

Yarns in order of use: A, ivory; B, rose.

All three tiers hang down over the yoke and are worked with the right side of the yoke facing you and its neck edge at the bottom, so that they grow toward the hem. The first tier stands on row 8: its 129 sts are the sts of that row, one after another, the first of them at the right-hand end (at the left-hand end if you are left handed). Work into the front loops, which row 9 left free, and into the front loops of the sts that it skipped; at the end of the row where there is no free loop, because the last dc of row 9 went into the turning chain, work into that chain too. In every tier the fan goes into the 4th of the 7 sts between two single dc.

☐ **Foundation**	The outer edge of the yoke at row 8: 129 sts across, with the right side facing you, as told in the notes.
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Join A with sl st in first st, ch 3 (counts as dc), **[**sk next 3 sts, (dc, ch 1, dc, ch 1, dc, ch 1, dc, ch 1, dc) in next st, sk next 3 sts, dc in next st**] 16 times** (97 dc, 64 ch-1 sps)

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☐ **Row 2 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[[**dc in next st, ch 2, sk next ch-1 sp**] 4 times**, dc in next 2 sts**] 15 times**, **[**dc in next st, ch 2, sk next ch-1 sp**] 4 times**, dc in next st, dc in top of turning ch (97 dc, 64 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Row 3 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-2 sp**] 4 times**, sk next st, dc in next st**] 15 times**, **[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-2 sp**] 4 times**, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch (145 dc, 64 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 4 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 3 times**, 3 dc in next ch-1 sp, sk next st, dc in next st**] 15 times**, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 3 times**, 3 dc in next ch-1 sp, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch. Change to yarn B on the last pull through. (209 dc, 48 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 5 (RS)**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[[**sc in next 2 sts, picot, sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 3 times**, sc in next 2 sts, picot, sc in next 2 sts**] 15 times**, **[**sc in next 2 sts, picot, sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 3 times**, sc in next 2 sts, picot, sc in next st, sc in top of turning ch (257 sc, 64 picots)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.

Second tier

Yarns in order of use: A, ivory; B, rose.

The second tier stands on row 12, 161 sts, in the same way: in the front loops of all its sts, which row 13 left free or skipped.

☐ **Foundation**	The outer edge of the yoke at row 12: 161 sts across, with the right side facing you, as told in the notes.
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Join A with sl st in first st, ch 3 (counts as dc), **[**sk next 3 sts, (dc, ch 1, dc, ch 1, dc, ch 1, dc, ch 1, dc) in next st, sk next 3 sts, dc in next st**] 20 times** (121 dc, 80 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 2 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[[**dc in next st, ch 2, sk next ch-1 sp**] 4 times**, dc in next 2 sts**] 19 times**, **[**dc in next st, ch 2, sk next ch-1 sp**] 4 times**, dc in next st, dc in top of turning ch (121 dc, 80 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Row 3 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-2 sp**] 4 times**, sk next st, dc in next st**] 19 times**, **[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-2 sp**] 4 times**, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch (181 dc, 80 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 4 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 3 times**, 3 dc in next ch-1 sp, sk next st, dc in next st**] 19 times**, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 3 times**, 3 dc in next ch-1 sp, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch. Change to yarn B on the last pull through. (261 dc, 60 ch-1 sps)

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☐ **Row 5 (RS)**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[[**sc in next 2 sts, picot, sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 3 times**, sc in next 2 sts, picot, sc in next 2 sts**] 19 times**, **[**sc in next 2 sts, picot, sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 3 times**, sc in next 2 sts, picot, sc in next st, sc in top of turning ch (321 sc, 80 picots)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.

Third tier

Yarns in order of use: A, ivory; B, rose.

The third tier is worked into the tops of the sts of row 16, the last row of the yoke, under both loops, 193 sts, the turning chain at the one end among them. Begin at the right-hand end (at the left-hand end if you are left handed).

☐ **Foundation**	The outer edge of the yoke at row 16: 193 sts across, with the right side facing you, as told in the notes.
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Join A with sl st in first st, ch 3 (counts as dc), **[**sk next 3 sts, (dc, ch 1, dc, ch 1, dc, ch 1, dc, ch 1, dc) in next st, sk next 3 sts, dc in next st**] 24 times** (145 dc, 96 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 2 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[[**dc in next st, ch 2, sk next ch-1 sp**] 4 times**, dc in next 2 sts**] 23 times**, **[**dc in next st, ch 2, sk next ch-1 sp**] 4 times**, dc in next st, dc in top of turning ch (145 dc, 96 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Row 3 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-2 sp**] 4 times**, sk next st, dc in next st**] 23 times**, **[**(dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-2 sp**] 4 times**, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch (217 dc, 96 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 4 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 3 times**, 3 dc in next ch-1 sp, sk next st, dc in next st**] 23 times**, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 3 times**, 3 dc in next ch-1 sp, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch. Change to yarn B on the last pull through. (313 dc, 72 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 5 (RS)**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[[**sc in next 2 sts, picot, sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 3 times**, sc in next 2 sts, picot, sc in next 2 sts**] 23 times**, **[**sc in next 2 sts, picot, sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 3 times**, sc in next 2 sts, picot, sc in next st, sc in top of turning ch (385 sc, 96 picots)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.

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Collar

Yarns in order of use: A, ivory; B, rose.

Hold the yoke with its right side facing you and the neck edge at the top. The 65 sts are the places of the foundation chain along its free side, from the right-hand end to the left-hand end (the other way if you are left handed): the chain under each of the 64 dc of row 1 that are worked into a chain and the bottom one of the 3 skipped chs, which is at the end you come to last.

☐ **Foundation**	The neck edge of the yoke: 65 sts across, with the right side facing you, as told in the notes.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Join A with sl st in first st, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 63 sts, dc in last st	(65 dc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 4** 2 3 4	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; dc in next 63 sts, dc in top of turning ch	(65 dc)
☐ **Row 5 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; dc in same st, **[**2 dc in next st**] 63 times**, 2 dc in top of turning ch	(130 dc)
☐ **Row 6 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; dc in next 128 sts, dc in top of turning ch. Change to yarn B on the last pull through.	(130 dc)
☐ **Row 7 (RS)**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**sc in next 2 sts, picot, sc in next st**] 42 times**, sc in next 2 sts, sc in top of turning ch	(130 sc, 42 picots)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Assembly

1. Button loop: with the right side facing you, at the front edge that is at your left as you look at the capelet with its neck up, join yarn A with a slip stitch round the end of row 1 of the yoke, leaving a tail of about 6 in (15.2 cm), ch 7, work a slip stitch round the end of row 1 of the collar, and fasten off, leaving a tail of the same length. With the sewing thread and the sewing needle sew the button to the right side of the other front edge, at the line between the yoke and the collar, opposite the loop.

2. Ribbon: tie the ribbon in a bow, its loops about 1.5 in (3.8 cm) long, trim its ends on a slant, and sew the knot with the sewing thread to the front edge that has the loop, just below it, so that the bow lies over the opening when the button is closed.

Finishing

- Weave in the ends.

In all: 5 pieces; 5,281 stitches (1,616 in the yoke, 805 in the first tier, 1,005 in the second tier, 1,205 in the third tier, 650 in the collar).

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