Waffle potholder

Standard · US terms



Finished size
About 8¾ × 8¼ in (22 × 21 cm)

Skill
Intermediate
Post stitches

Yarn
Medium (4), 2 colors

Hook
5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge
14 stitches and 9½ rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In waffle stitch.

You will need

Yarn A: terracotta, main — **about 50 yd (46 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: cream, stripe — **about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**
Fiber: cotton
Hook: 5 mm (US H-8). Also: a yarn needle, scissors and a tape measure.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. The estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge, with 15 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Standard (this file)	**8¾ × 8¼ in (22 × 21 cm)**	**about 70 yd (64 m)**
Large	9½ × 9¾ in (24 × 25 cm)	about 85 yd (77 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)
FPdc	front post double crochet: yo, insert hook from the front, behind the post of the st named and out to the front again, yo,
Rnd	round
RS	right side
st	stitch
yo	yarn over (UK yrh, yarn round hook)

Gauge

14 stitches and 9½ rows to 4 in (10 cm) in waffle stitch.

Work a piece a little more than 4 in (10 cm) square, lay it flat and count. If you count more stitches than this, use a larger hook; if fewer, a smaller one.

Before you start

- The ch 2 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.
- The waffle forms on the side that faces you while you work the odd-numbered rows: that is the right side.
- Use it dry: a wet potholder lets the heat through.
- 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.
- 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.
- The ch 1 at the start of a round does not count as a stitch.
- 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 both loops.
- Edging: work along the last row, down the ends of the rows, along the other side of the foundation chain and up the ends of the rows. The 3 sc in one place turn a corner.
- Use cotton yarn. Acrylic yarn can melt.

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Instructions

Chosen: Standard. 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, dc is treble, FPdc is front post treble, or raised treble front and yo is yarn round hook.

Potholder

Yarn A, terracotta.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 29.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Dc in 3rd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(27 dc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 2, turn; dc in first st, **[**dc in next st, FPdc around next 2 sts**] 8 times**, dc in next st, dc in last st	**(11 dc, 16 FPdc)**
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 2, turn; dc in first st, FPdc around next st, **[**dc in next 2 sts, FPdc around next st**] 8 times**, dc in last st	**(18 dc, 9 FPdc)**
☐ **Rows 4 to 17**	Repeat rows 2 and 3 in turn: every even-numbered row is worked as row 2, every odd-numbered row as row 3.	

A box for each row, 4 to 17: tick them off as you go.

☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12 ☐ 13 ☐ 14 ☐ 15 ☐ 16 ☐ 17

☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Edging

Yarn B, cream.

Hold the piece with the right side facing you and the last row at the top; the first st is the one at the right-hand corner.

☐ **Foundation**	Work around the edge of the piece, right side facing: the 27 sts of the last row, the ends of the 17 rows, the 27 chs of the foundation, the ends of the 17 rows.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Join B with sl st in first st, ch 1, 3 sc in first st, sc in next 25 sts, 3 sc in next st, **[**2 sc in end of next row, sc in end of next row**] 8 times**, 2 sc in end of next row, 3 sc in next ch, sc in next 25 chs, 3 sc in next ch, **[**2 sc in end of next row, sc in end of next row**] 8 times**, 2 sc in end of next row; join with sl st in first sc	**(114 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, sc in same st as join, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 27 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 28 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 27 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 27 sts; join with sl st in first sc	**(122 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Putting it together

Hanging loop: join B with sl st in the middle one of the 3 sc at any corner of the last round, ch 14, sl st in the same st to close the loop. Fasten off.

Finishing

- Weave in the ends with the yarn needle, changing direction once or twice.

In all: 2 pieces; 695 stitches (459 in the potholder, 236 in the edging); 4 ends to weave in.

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