Beginner Scarf

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A variety of yarn colors and an easy-to-follow stitch repeat make this beginner-friendly scarf pattern fun to crochet. You are sure to find this free crochet pattern very addictive to work.

SKILL LEVEL

Beginner

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

10 inches wide x 65 inches long

MATERIALS

- At least 90 yds each of worsted-weight acrylic yarn in 8 colors of your choice
- Premier Yarns Anti-Pilling Everyday Worsted medium (worsted) weight acrylic yarn (3½ oz/180 yds/100g per skein): 1 skein #1147-07 chinchilla, #1147-11 peach melba and #1147-12 sage
- Premier Yarns Anti-Pilling Everyday Worsted medium (worsted) weight acrylic yarn (1¾ oz/90 yds/50g per skein): 1 skein each #1188-11 rococo rose, #1188-01 cream, #1188-09 peach sand, #1188-06 indigo and #1188-17 cerulean
- Size 5.5mm crochet hook (which can also be listed as I or 9)
- Crochet hook one size smaller (optional)
- Removable stitch markers (optional)
- Tapestry needle for weaving in ends (optional)

6 SUPER BULKY

GAUGE

Gauge is not critical for this project.

PATTERN NOTES

This scarf is created by working from long side to other long side.

Use as many or as few colors to create this scarf as desired. Randomly grab a new color for each row. Repeat colors as you choose.

Work a swatch of stitching with the video instructions. If your row 1 wants to buckle, try working the chain stitches of row 1 with the smaller hook and then switching to the larger hook for creating the stitches.

You will not weave in ends on this scarf. Yarn tails will be hidden in the fringe. If you opt to omit the fringe, you will need to weave in your ends.

WHAT YOU WILL LEARN

In this pattern, you will learn how to hold your hook and yarn, how to make a slip knot, chain and single crochet, how to use stitch markers, how to skip a stitch, how to work in a chain space, how to work short repeats of stitches and rows, how to fasten off and how to make fringe.
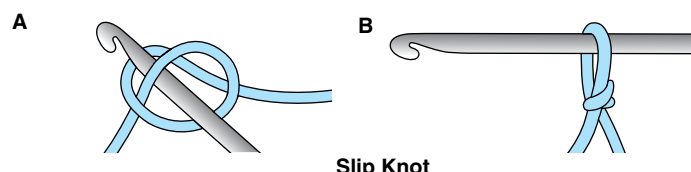
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Row 1:

Note: You may want to begin (beg) with smaller hook (see Pattern Notes).

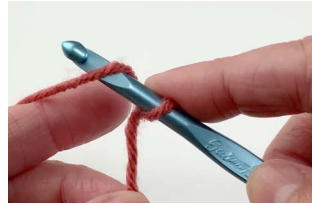With yarn color of your choice, make a slip knot with about a 5-inch tail.

Place slip knot on hook.

A   B

Slip Knot

You may find it helpful to use stitch markers while creating this long chain (ch). By placing a marker every 20–25 chains (chs), it will be easier to count your chains (chs) if you get distracted in the middle of working them.

Chain (ch) 262.

Turn to work back across the chains (chs).

Note: *If chains (chs) were worked with smaller hook, change to larger hook for remainder of project.*

Single crochet (sc) in 2nd chain (ch) from hook.

This is optional but will help you easily see where your first (st) is for working the next rows, especially if you set your work down and walk away for a while.

Place stitch marker in the top of this stitch (st).

By making a chain (ch) and skipping (sk) the next chain (ch), you will be creating what is called a chain space (ch sp). You will work into this space (sp) on the next row.

***Chain (ch) 1.**

Skip (sk) next chain (ch).

Single crochet (sc) in next chain (ch).

*This means you will go back to the instructions where you see the * and repeat (rep) the chain (ch) 1, skip (sk) next chain (ch) and single crochet (sc) in the next chain (ch) across all of your remaining (rem) chains (chs). This is called a stitch (st) repeat (rep) because you are repeating this group of stitches (sts) all the way across.*

Repeat (rep) from * across.

Place stitch marker in last stitch (st).

Fasten off, leaving a tail about 5 inches long.

Turn work counterclockwise.

(131 single crochet {sc}, 130 chain spaces {ch sps})

Row 2:

With yarn color of your choice and leaving a 5-inch tail, insert hook in first (marked) stitch (st).

Pull a loop (lp) of yarn through.

Chain (ch) 1 to build up the height of your row.

Single crochet (sc) in the first stitch (st).

Move stitch marker to this first stitch (st).

Single crochet (sc) in first chain space (ch sp).

*Chain (ch) 1.

Skip (sk) next single crochet (sc).

Single crochet (sc) in next chain space (ch sp).

This is the stitch (st) repeat (rep) for this row. It's a slight shift from row 1. You should have your marked single crochet (sc) left to work into.

Repeat (rep) from * to last stitch (st).

Single crochet (sc) in last stitch (st).

Fasten off, leaving a tail about 5 inches long.

Move stitch marker to last stitch (st).

Turn work counterclockwise.

You will have more single crochet (sc) on this row and fewer chain spaces (ch sps).

(132 single crochet {sc}, 129 chain spaces {ch sps})

Row 3:

With yarn color of your choice and leaving a 5-inch tail, insert hook in first (marked) stitch (st).

Pull a loop (lp) of yarn through.

Chain (ch) 1 to build up the height of your row.
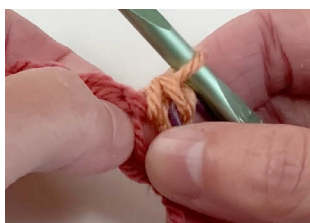
Single crochet (sc) in the first stitch (st).

Move stitch marker to this first stitch (st).

*Chain (ch) 1.

Skip (sk) next single crochet (sc).

Single crochet (sc) in next chain space (ch sp).

Repeat (rep) from * across to last chain space (ch sp).

Chain (ch) 1.

Skip (sk) next single crochet (sc).

Single crochet (sc) in last stitch (st).

Move stitch marker to last stitch (st).

Fasten off, leaving a tail about 5 inches long.

Turn work counterclockwise.

(131 single crochet {sc}, 130 chain spaces {ch sps})

The repeat (rep) means you will work first row 2 and then row 3 over and over again until your scarf is the designated width. You may want to periodically stop working and check that your edges are remaining straight. If the edges seem like they are pinching inward (getting more narrow), your tension may be tightening up. You may want to undo a row or two and rework them or work with a hook one size larger. Using a larger hook will help to keep your tension looser.

Repeat (rep) rows 2 and 3 until Scarf is about 10 inches wide.

FINISHING

FRINGE
Cut 10 or 11 12-inch strands of each color of yarn.

For each knot of Fringe, fold 3 random-color lengths in half.

The wrong side (WS) of the work is the non-public side or the back side of the work. For this pattern, the fabric is reversible, meaning both sides look the same, and so you can choose either side to be your wrong side (WS).

Insert hook from wrong side (WS) into stitch (st) or chain space (ch sp).

Pull folded end through.

Pull ends through fold.

Pull ends to tighten knot.

Work Fringe in every 3rd row 1 stitch (st) or space (sp) in from the edge on each short end.

Trim ends evenly to 4–4½ inches or desired length. ●