

Easy Hooded Scarf

Materials:

Worsted weight yarn (4) – 7-8 ounces in one color; 6 ounces main color, 2-3 ounces contrasting color.

Size H/8 (5 mm) crochet hook

Yarn needle

Instructions:

Ch 32 + 2 for turning chain = ch 34.

Row 1: 1 hdc in 2nd ch from hook, 1 hdc in each chain across, 5 hdc in the last chain. Do not turn your work and continue to work along the opposite side of the foundation chain. Work 1 hdc in the space between the stitches worked on the opposite side of the chain (not into the chain) - work 1 hdc in each gap across, 1 hdc in last chain; Turn. 69 sts

NOTE: For the rest of the rows, you will work only in the back loops on the right side and only in the front loops on the wrong side. The idea is to leave a line of free loops on the right side as you work each row to create the ridges. Place a marker on the right side of your work. The ridges show on the right side (marked side) of the hood.

Row 2: Ch 3 (counts as 1st dc here and throughout), 1 dc in each st across till you reach the 3 stitches on top, 2 dc in each of the middle 3 sts on top, 1 dc in each of the remaining stitches; Turn. 72 sts

Row 3: Note: the increase in this row is worked in the top 7 stitches. Mark the first and last stitches of these 7 stitches. Ch 3, 1 dc in each st till the first marked st, 2 dc in marked st, 1 dc in next st, 2dc in next st, 1 dc in next st, 1 dc in next st, 2dc in next st, 2dc in the next marked st, 1 dc in each of the remaining stitches; Turn. 76 sts

Row 4: Ch 3, 1 dc in the next st, 1 dc in each st across till you reach the top, 2 dc in the middle 2 stitches at the top, 1 dc in each st across; Turn. 78 sts

Rows 5 to 13 (Even Rows with no increase): Ch 3, 1 dc in each st across. 78 sts Your hood will now measure nearly 11 ¾ in height and 8 ½ inches wide when lying flat.

The edging row of reverse sc will add about ¼ inch to the width and a sc row from the scarf will add a ¼ inch to the height of the hood to make it about 12 inches.

If you want your hood taller (12 inches should normally be enough), add a few single crochet rows at the bottom of the hood. Ideally the hood should hit the middle of your neck and from there the scarf should start.

Edging Row 1 (comes around the face): Ch 1, 1 reverse sc in each st around the front edge of the hood. Do not fasten off. Work the ridges on the hood next. Or skip the ridges, fasten off the yarn, and go directly to the scarf pattern instructions below.

Stand-up Ridges on the Hood - optional

Work slip stitches along the bottom edge of the hood till you reach the 1st row of free loops on the right side, or ridges, ch 1 and start working 1 sc in to each of the free chain loops to form a ridge. If you fold your work, the ridge will stand up and bring your loops on the top edge. It will be easier to work this row.

Once you have completed working sc into one row of free loops, slip stitch along the bottom of the hood as before till you reach the next line of free loops and proceed to work sc into it. Continue like this till you finish all the free loop rows, or as many rows as you want, and fasten off.

Scarf Pattern

SI st across the bottom edge of the hood on the right side, sc evenly across the base of the hood to level it out. Fasten off.

Chain for a length of 23 inches (scarf length on one side of the hood). Count your chains because you will make the same number of chains on the opposite side of the hood. Chain more if you want the scarf to be longer.

Join the scarf to the hood: Attach the 23 inch chain to the hood. SI st across the sc row at the bottom of the hood. Chain for 23 inches again at other end of the hood – as many chains as you made for the other end of the scarf and add 2 more for turning chain; Turn.

The scarf is rows of dc for a smooth look, or you can dc in back loops only on the right side for a textured look.

Row 1: Dc in 2nd chain from hook, 1 dc in each chain across, 1 dc in each of the sc stitches along the bottom edge of the hood, 1 dc in each of the chains on the other side of the hood; Turn.

Row 2: Ch 3 (counts as 1st dc); 1 dc in each st across and in turning chain. Turn.

Repeat row 2 until scarf is 4 ½ inches wide, or as wide as you want. Fasten off.

Finishing

Weave in all the ends.

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