Checkerboard Mesh Cowl

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① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ EASY

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS
10½ inches wide x 32½ inches in circumference

MATERIALS
- Universal Yarn Bamboo Pop light (DK) weight cotton/bamboo yarn (3½ oz/292 yds/100g per ball):
    2 balls #107 ocean
- Size G/6/4mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle
- 1-inch plastic rings: 4

3 LIGHT

GAUGE
4 tr and 4 ch-5 sps in mesh pattern = 4 inches; 8 rnds in mesh pattern = 4½ inches

PATTERN NOTES
Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

Chain-3 at beginning of rnd counts as a double crochet unless otherwise stated.

SPECIAL STITCHES
Beginning treble crochet (beg tr): Ch 3, insert hook in 2nd ch from hook, draw up lp, insert hook in 3rd ch from hook, draw up lp, insert hook in beg ch or st, draw up lp, (yo, draw through 2 lps on hook) 3 times.

Large shell (lg shell): (3 tr, [ch 1, 3 tr] twice) in indicated st.

Shell: (5 tr, ch 2, sl st in last tr, 4 tr) in indicated st.

Beginning small shell (beg sm shell): Ch 3 *(see Pattern Notes)*, (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in indicated st.

Small shell (sm shell): (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in indicated st.

COWL

Rnd 1 (RS): Ch 204, **join** *(see Pattern Notes)* in first ch to form ring taking care not to twist, **beg tr** *(see Special Stitches),* in first ch, ch 5, sk next 5 chs, *tr in next ch, ch 5, sk next 5 chs, rep from * around, join in top of beg ch-3. *(34 tr, 34 ch-5 sps)*

Rnd 2: Ch 1, sc in same st as beg ch-1, ch 5, *sc in next tr, ch 5, rep from * around, join in beg sc. *(34 sc, 34 ch-5 sps)*

Rnd 3: Beg tr in first sc, ch 5, *tr in next sc, ch 5, rep from * around, join in top of beg ch-3.

Rnds 4–19: [Rep rnds 2 and 3 alternately] 8 times.

First Side Edging

Rnd 1: Ch 1, sc in same st as beg ch-1, **lg shell** *(see Special Stitches)* in next tr, *sc in next tr, lg shell in next tr, rep from * around, join in beg sc. *(17 sc, 17 lg shells)*

Rnd 2: Sl st to first ch-1 sp on next lg shell, ch 1, sc in same sp, sc in next tr, (sc, ch 2, sc) in next tr, sc in next tr, sc in next ch-1 sp, **shell** *(see Special Stitches),* in next sc, *sc in first ch-1 sp on next lg shell, sc in next tr, (sc, ch 2, sc) in next tr, sc in next tr, sc in next ch-1 sp, shell in next sc, rep from * around, join in beg sc. Fasten off. *(104 sc, 17 ch-2 sps, 17 shells)*

2nd Side Edging

Rnd 1: With RS facing and foundation ch at top, working in unused lps of chs below tr of rnd 1, join yarn with sc in any ch, lg shell in ch below next tr, *sc in ch below next tr, lg shell in ch below next tr, rep from * around, join in beg sc.

Rnd 2: Rep rnd 2 of First Side Edging.

Ring Accent

First Motif

Rnd 1: Working over plastic ring, join yarn with sc, work 43 sc over ring, join in beg sc. *(44 sc)*

Rnd 2: **Beg sm shell** *(see Special Stitches)*, in same st as joining, (tr, ch 2, tr) in next st, **sm shell** *(see Special Stitches),* in next st, sk next 2 sts, (sc, ch 3, sc) in each of next 2 sts, *sm shell in next st, (tr, ch 2, tr) in next st, sm shell in next st, sk next 2 sts, (sc, ch 3, sc) in each of next 2 sts, rep from * around, join in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off. *(8 sm shells, 16 sc, 16 tr)*

Motifs 2 & 3

Rnd 1: Rep rnd 1 of First Motif.

Rnd 2: Beg sm shell in same st as joining, (tr, ch 1, sl st in corresponding ch-2 sp on previous Motif, ch 1, tr) in next st, sm shell in next st, sk next 2 sts, (sc, ch 1, sl st in corresponding ch-2 sp on previous Motif, ch 1, sc) in each of next 2 sts, sm shell in next st, (tr, ch 1, sl st in corresponding ch-2 sp on previous Motif, ch 1, tr) in next st, sm shell in next st, sk next 2 sts, (sc, ch 3, sc) in each of next 2 sts, *sm shell in next st, (tr, ch 2, tr) in next st, sm shell in next st, sk next 2 sts, (sc, ch 3, sc) in each of next 2 sts, rep from * around, join in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off.

Motif 4

Rnd 1: Rep rnd 1 of First Motif.

Rnd 2: Beg sm shell in same st as joining, (tr, ch 1, sl st in corresponding ch-2 sp on previous Motif, ch 1, tr) in next st,

Using only a few basic stitches worked in an openwork checkerboard pattern, this pretty cowl is light and airy enough even for warm weather. A slidable ring accent adds versatility for styling.

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sm shell in next st, sk next 2 sts, (sc, ch 1, sl st in corresponding ch-2 sp on previous Motif, ch 1, sc) in each of next 2 sts, sm shell in next st, (tr, ch 1, sl st in corresponding ch-2 sp on previous Motif, ch 1, tr) in next st, sm shell in next st, sk next 2 sts, (sc, ch 3, sc) in each of next 2 sts, sm shell in next st, wrap Motifs around Cowl, bring up opposite end to form a ring around Cowl, (tr, ch 1, sl st in corresponding ch-2 sp on previous Motif, ch 1, tr) in next st, sm shell in next st, sk next 2 sts, (sc, ch 1, sl st in corresponding ch-2 sp on previous Motif, ch 1, sc) in each of next 2 sts, sk next 2 sts, sm shell in next st, (tr, ch 1, sl st in corresponding ch-2 sp on previous Motif, ch 1, tr) in next st, sm shell in next st, sk next 2 sts, (sc, ch 3, sc) in each of next 2 sts, join in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off.

Finishing

Immerse Cowl in cool water, squeeze out excess water, taking care not to wring or twist. Place Cowl on a flat, covered surface, gently stretch to open lace pattern. Leave until completely dry. CW
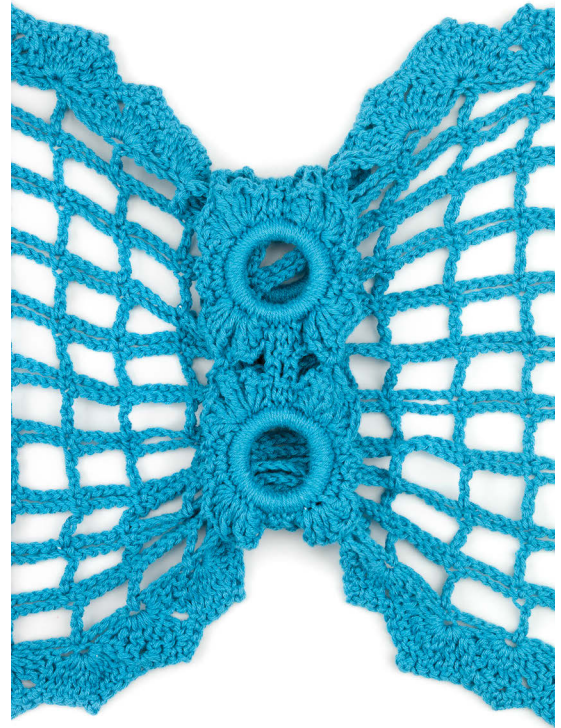
STITCH GUIDE

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STITCH ABBREVIATIONS

beg	begin/begins/beginning
bpdc	back post double crochet
bpsc	back post single crochet
bptr	back post treble crochet
CC	contrasting color
ch(s)	chain(s)
ch-	refers to chain or space previously made (i.e., ch-1 space)
ch sp(s)	chain space(s)
cl(s)	cluster(s)
cm	centimeter(s)
dc	double crochet (singular/plural)
dc dec	double crochet 2 or more stitches together, as indicated
dec	decrease/decreases/decreasing
dtr	double treble crochet
ext	extended
fpdc	front post double crochet
fpsc	front post single crochet
fptr	front post treble crochet
g	gram(s)
hdc	half double crochet
hdc dec	half double crochet 2 or more stitches together, as indicated
inc	increase/increases/increasing
lp(s)	loop(s)
MC	main color
mm	millimeter(s)
oz	ounce(s)
pc	popcorn(s)
rem	remain/remains/remaining
rep(s)	repeat(s)
rnd(s)	round(s)
RS	right side
sc	single crochet (singular/plural)
sc dec	single crochet 2 or more stitches together, as indicated
sk	skip/skipped/skipping
sl st(s)	slip stitch(es)
sp(s)	space(s)/spaced
st(s)	stitch(es)
tog	together
tr	treble crochet
trtr	triple treble
WS	wrong side
yd(s)	yard(s)
yo	yarn over

YARN CONVERSION

OUNCES TO GRAMS		GRAMS TO OUNCES	
1	28.4	25	⅞
2	56.7	40	1⅔
3	85.0	50	1¾
4	113.4	100	3½

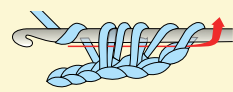| UNITED STATES		UNITED KINGDOM
sl st (slip stitch)	=	sc (single crochet)
sc (single crochet)	=	dc (double crochet)
hdc (half double crochet)	=	htr (half treble crochet)
dc (double crochet)	=	tr (treble crochet)
tr (treble crochet)	=	dtr (double treble crochet)
dtr (double treble crochet)	=	ttr (triple treble crochet)
skip	=	miss

Single crochet decrease (sc dec): (Insert hook, yo, draw lp through) in each of the sts indicated, yo, draw through all lps on hook.
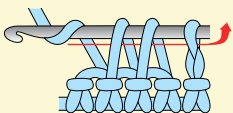
Example of 2-sc dec

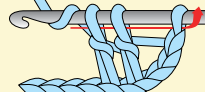**Half double crochet decrease (hdc dec):** (Yo, insert hook, yo, draw lp through) in each of the sts indicated, yo, draw through all lps on hook.

Example of 2-hdc dec

Reverse single crochet (reverse sc): Ch 1, sk first st, working from left to right, insert hook in next st from front to back, draw up lp on hook, yo and draw through both lps on hook.

Chain (ch): Yo, pull through lp on hook.

Single crochet (sc): Insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, yo, pull through both lps on hook.

Double crochet (dc): Yo, insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, [yo, pull through 2 lps] twice.
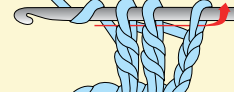
Double crochet decrease (dc dec): (Yo, insert hook, yo, draw lp through, yo, draw through 2 lps on hook) in each of the sts indicated, yo, draw through all lps on hook.

Example of 2-dc dec

Front loop (front lp) Back loop (back lp)

Front Loop   Back Loop

Front post stitch (fp): Back post stitch (bp): When working post st, insert hook from right to left around post of st on previous row.

Back   Front

Post of Stitch

Half double crochet (hdc): Yo, insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, yo, pull through all 3 lps on hook.

Double treble crochet (dtr): Yo 3 times, insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, [yo, pull through 2 lps] 4 times.

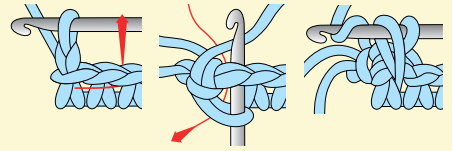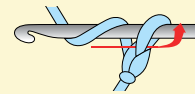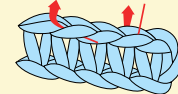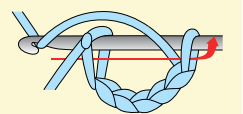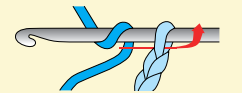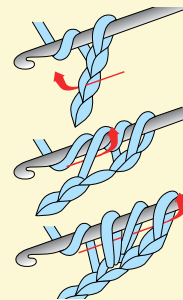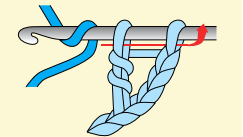**Treble crochet decrease (tr dec):** Holding back last lp of each st, tr in each of the sts indicated, yo, pull through all lps on hook.

Example of 2-tr dec

Slip stitch (sl st): Insert hook in st, pull through both lps on hook.

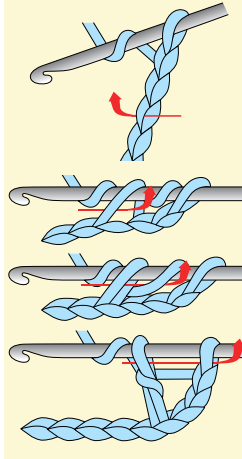**Chain color change (ch color change)** Yo with new color, draw through last lp on hook.

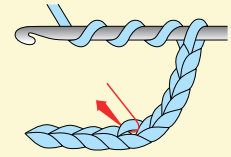**Double crochet color change (dc color change)** Drop first color, yo with new color, draw through last 2 lps of st.

Treble crochet (tr): Yo twice, insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, [yo, pull through 2 lps] 3 times.