



Secret Crochet Box

Connecting Cropped Sweater Crochet Pattern



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Abbreviations (US terminology)

	<i>Tutorial links for left-handed crocheters</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BOR – beginning of round • sts – stitch(es) • ch - chain • sl st - slip stitch • sc - single crochet • hdc - half double crochet • dc - double crochet 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • trtr - triple treble stitch 	This stitch is crocheted as a regular triple (or treble) crochet but you need to make 4 times yarn over instead of 2!
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • bobble stitch – 5 dc together in indicated stitch 	Bobble (or popcorn) stitch
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B-stitch – bullion stitch 	Bullion stitch . Here you might want to check out the tutorial for right-handed crocheters just because there is a trick how to make it easier using a second hook. I found this technique really useful.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • crab stitch – reverse single crochet 	Crab stitch
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MK – magic knot joining technique 	Magic knot
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • X N - repeat N times 	

Materials

- 9 mm crochet hook for the sweater and 6 mm hook for the ribbing;
- smaller crochet hook (4 mm or the one that fits to your yarn best) for Round (B-stitch round);
- Scissors;
- 4 stitch markers;
- Yarn leftovers (you should use only yarn, for which **9 mm hook is an oversize hook**. So no super bulky yarn, every other type will fit to the project).

Below is a yardage estimation for some sizes (based on the numbers provided by testers). Please, take into account that this number may **differ significantly** because we all have a lot of different yarns in our stash. Most of testers have used yarn of various fabrics with weight mixture fingering/DK.

Yardage examples:

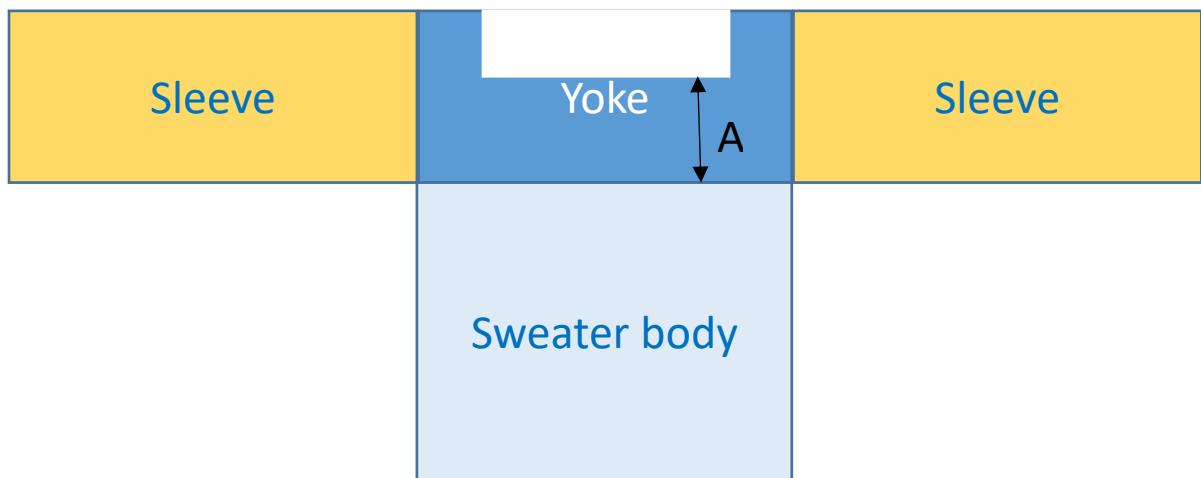
- Size XS - 150 g (short sleeves);
- Size S – 170 g (short sleeves), 190 g (long sleeves);

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- Size M – 200 g (short sleeves), 250 g (long sleeves);
- Size L – 240 g (3/4 sleeves)
- Size XL – 350 g (short sleeves)
- Size 2XL – 540 g (3/4 sleeves)
- Size 3XL – 600 g (short sleeves)

Pattern info

- Pattern level: **intermediate**
- This is a **top down raglan sweater**, crocheted in **joined rounds** using an **oversized hook**.
- Here is the structure of the sweater:



- We start crocheting with the **Yoke**, then continue with the **Sweater Body**, afterwards the **Sleeves** are made.
- The pattern is **made to measure**. The first size specific thing is the **measurement A** on the picture above (distance between the collar and the line under your armpits). This measurement will define the amount of Rounds you are going to need in the Yoke section of the pattern.
- Crocheting with an oversized hook is very loose, stitches look stretched and a bit deformed. Also, using yarns of different fabric and weight might feel a little weird. **Please, do not worry about these things** – this is exactly what makes the finished sweater look „complex“. So this pattern only benefits from any imperfection.
- Every round is made in a different colour with a different weight yarn.
- **If one yarn is significantly thinner than the previous round, try to crochet looser so that every round has the same tension.**
- Change colours making the last sl st of every round if not stated otherwise.
- Please, weave in the ends as you go. It will save you a lot of time at the end. If you do not want to deal with yarn ends and want to save some yarn, you will like **the magic knot method**: connect new colour before completing the last stitch of a round about

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2 cm away from your current stitch. Connect new yarn using MK (link to the video tutorial see in Abbreviations).

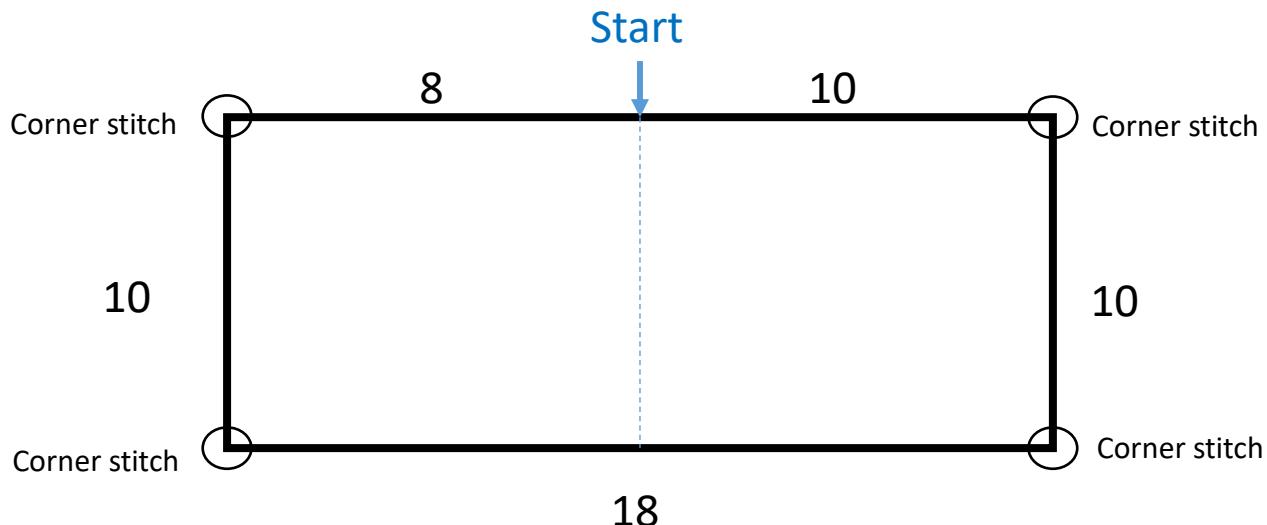


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ch 60, join with a sl st. Before joining, take care your chain is not twisted. Place stitch markers in 9th, 20th, 39th, 50th stitches.



*This is a yoke foundation, it should be big enough for any head. But **please try it on** just to be sure. If you need any extra stitches, please distribute them **evenly** through the four sides of the yoke foundation (see the scheme above).*

Yoke

Round 1: 2 ch, (dc in next 2 st, 2 ch, skip 2 sts) X 2, (2 dc, 3 ch, 2 dc) in next st (where the first stitch marker is placed), (2 ch, skip 2 sts, dc in next 2 st) X 2, 2 ch, skip 2 sts, (2 dc, 3 ch, 2 dc) in next st (where the second stitch marker is placed), (2 ch, skip 2 sts, dc in next 2 st) X 4, 2 ch, skip 2 sts, (2 dc, 3 ch, 2 dc) in next st (where the third stitch marker is placed), (2 ch, skip 2 sts, dc in next 2 st) X 2, 2 ch, skip 2 sts, (2 dc, 3 ch, 2 dc) in next st (where the fourth stitch marker is placed), (2 ch, skip 2 sts, dc in next 2 st) X 2, 2 ch, skip 2 sts, sl st into BOR. (*here and after every further round:* make the sl st with the new colour if you are not using the magic loop method).



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Round 2: 4 ch (two of them represent a dc, other two create a ch-space), 2 dc in the ch space of the previous round, 2 ch, skip 2 sts (the dc's of the previous round), go on like that until the next corner. In the corner ch-spaces: 2 dc, 3 ch, 2 dc. Repeat it along, sl st to the 2nd ch of the round. Do not change the colour!

Round 3: *Note: for this round you are going to need two colours: a main colour is the colour from Round 2 and a contrast colour to make the bobbles. Carry both threads along the round when not using them.* Start using the main colour: 1 ch, 2 sc in the ch-space, sc in next st (1 dc of the previous round), switch the colour, bobble stitch in the next st, switch back to the main colour, 2 sc in the ch space. Go on until the first corner. In the corner ch-space: sc, 1 ch, sc. Repeat it along, sl st into BOR.



Round 4: 5 ch (4 of which represent a trtr, and the 5th is a ch), skip 1 st, (trtr in next st, 1 ch, skip 1 st) around. Corner ch-spaces: (3 trtr, 3 ch, 3 trtr). At the end of the round sl st to the fourth ch.



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Round 5: 2ch, 2 dc in the ch spaces. Just before and after the corner ch-spaces the trtr stitches are closer to each other. In that case, make only 1 dc in between (pic below). Corner ch-spaces: (2 dc, 1 ch, 2 dc). Sl st to the second ch.



The yoke is finished, if you need it longer, repeat Round 5 (in different colours) until you reach the **measurement A**.

Body

Crochet around the bottom side of the yoke including the 4 corner ch-spaces.



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Round 6 (yellow on the sample, marked on the picture above): If possible, take a thinner yarn for this round and crochet loosely. 2 ch, dc in every stitch **in back loops only, 3 ch under arms on each side**, sl st to the second ch. **Try the sweater on and check the fit. Increase/decrease the number of ch under arms if necessary.**

Round 7 (red on the sample): 1 ch, (sc in next st, skip 2 st, 4 dc in next st, skip 2 st) all around. Sl st into BOR. If you end up having an extra stitch at the end of the round, skip it and make a ch before sl st to keep the length of the round.

Round 8 (yellow on the sample): **in the back loops only:** 2 ch, 2 dc in the first st, (sc in the 3rd st of the 4 dc-group of the previous round, 4 dc in the sc of the previous round), at the end of the row make 2 dc in the same stitch as the first dc. Sl st into BOR.

Round 8.1 (light blue on the sample): crab st all around the front loops of the round 7. Sl st into BOR.

Round 9 (white on the sample): 1 ch, (sc in the 3rd of the dc group of the previous round, 2 ch, dc in the sc of the previous round, 2 ch) all around. Sl st into BOR.

Round 10 (dark purple on the sample): 2 ch, 3 dc in every ch space around, sl st into BOR.

Round 11 (pink on the sample): **Note:** use a crochet hook **fitting to the yarn** for that round. 3 ch, B- stitch around, sl st in the third ch.

Round 12 (green on the sample): 2 ch, dc in every st, sl st in the second ch.

Round 13 (light blue on the sample): 2 ch, (2 dc in next st, skip st) all around, sl st in the second ch.

Round 14 (white on the sample), **crochet loosely:** 2 ch, (dc in the space in the middle of the next dc-group of the previous round, ch) all around, sl st in the second ch

Round 15 (red round with coral bubbles on the sample): **Note:** for this round you are going to need two colours: a main colour and a contrast colour. Carry both threads along the round on the wrong side when not using them. 1 ch, (sc in next 6 st, switch to a contrast colour, bobble stitch in next st, switch back to the main colour) all around, sl st into BOR.

Round 16 (light yellow on the sample): 2 ch, (dc in next 3 st, 2 ch, skip 2 st) all around, sl st in the second ch

Round 17 (blue on the sample): 2 ch, (dc in the central dc of the next 3 dc-group of the previous round, 5 tr in the next ch space) all around, sl st into BOR.

Round 18 (light yellow on the sample): 1 ch, sc in every st, sl st into BOR.

Round 19 (orange on the sample): **Note:** in this round, we work in stitches of round 18 but refer to round 17 for orientation: 2 ch, (dc in the stitch above the next dc of the round 17, ch, sc on the top of the tr-group of the round 17) all around, sl st into BOR.

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Round 20 (white on the sample): 2 ch, 2 hdc in every ch space, sl st into BOR.

Ribbing

Ribbing crocheted directly on the sweater body:

Ribbing, with a smaller hook (6 mm) and a DK yarn crochet: 8 ch, dc in the 3rd ch from the hook, dc in next 5 ch, sl st in the next st of the body, dc in all 6 st of the ribbing (back loops only), 2 ch, crochet dc in all 6 st back, sl st to the next st of the body and keep adding the rounds until the ribbing joins. Join the last and the first rounds of the ribbing with sl st on the wrong side of the sweater.

Note for left-handed crocheters: it might be easier to make the ribbing separately and sew it to the sweater afterwards. Ribbing has a decorative function in this design, so crochet it as long (**unstretched**) as circumference of the bottom of your sweater.

How to crochet the ribbing separately:

Round 1R: 8 ch, dc in the 3rd ch from the hook, dc in next 5 ch, 2ch, turn your work;

Round 2R: dc in all 6 st of the ribbing (back loops only)

Repeat Round 2R as often as you need it to reach your desired length of the ribbing. Join the first and the last rounds with sl sts on wrong side.

Sleeve (make 2, crochet around the yoke sides):

Here are for suggestions for the length of the sleeves (photos of different versions see below)

1. **Sleeveless version:** do not make any sleeves.
2. **Short-sleeve version:** crochet rounds of the body section, fasten off.
3. **¾ sleeve version:** crochet rounds 6-20 of the body section. Add the ribbing (Instructions below).
4. **Long-sleeve version:** crochet rounds 6-20 of the body section **two times** or until you reach the desired length. Add the ribbing (Instructions below).

Note: while making sleeves, do not forget to keep the same tension (as indicated in the pattern info)!

Sleeve ribbing (recommended for ¾ and long-sleeves versions):

With a smaller hook (6 mm) and a DK yarn crochet : 7 ch, dc in the 3rd ch from the hook, dc in next 4 ch, sl st in the next st of the body, dc in all 5 st (back loops only), 2 ch, crochet dc in all 5 st back, sl st to the next st of the body and keep adding the rounds until the ribbing joins. Join the last and the first rounds of the ribbing with sl st. Fasten off and weave in all ends.

And it is done! Enjoy your new sweater and thank you for crocheting with me!

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Sleeveless version:



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Short-sleeve version:



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¾ sleeve version:



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Long-sleeve version:



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With a lot of love, Ana

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