24 DAYS CROCHET COWL

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ABOUT

The sizing of the cowl, particularly the width, changes depending on hook size.

I have made two samples:

- the rainbow version is made using a 4mm hook and a dk weight yarn advent. It's snug to wear (see photos) with a fairly dense fabric.
- the peach and blue sample is made with a 5mm hook and Stylecraft Special DK. It has a much looser fit, a less stiff fabric and is the sample I have used for the pattern sizing, gauge etc. on Ravelry and Etsy.

Full details are provided for both, simply choose a hook size depending on your preferred fit.

YOU WILL NEED

- 4mm rainbow version
 - 24 x 10g Plush Merino DK yarn minis from the Indie Yarn Club advent calendar (I used the 2021 version which came with 25 x 10g), 100% superwash merino, CC
 - 1 x 100g Stylecraft Special DK in White (1001) MC
 - 4mm hook.
- 5mm peach and blue version
 - Stylecraft Special DK in Duck Egg (1820) MC, Apricot (1026), Blush (1833) and Shrimp (1132) CCs
 - 5mm hook.
- Alternatively any DK yarn will work with this pattern.
- A stitch marker to mark your beginning of round. (BOR)



DETAILS

- This pattern is written in one size (120sts) but is adjustable by changing hook sizes.
- Finished widths measured flat (height is adjustable):
 - 4mm hook 30cm width
 - 5mm hook 32cm width
- The stitch pattern uses a very simple mosaic technique where all sts are worked in the back loop only (blo) except for some sts which are worked into front loops two rows below to form the pattern.
- Tension is approx:
 - 6sts and 6 rows to 2.5cm over pattern on 4mm hook.
 - 5sts and 5 rows to 2.5cm over pattern on 5mm hook.
- Pattern is worked in the round using a 4mm or 5mm hook, if you
 prefer a tighter or looser gauge go up or down a half hook size
 but note that finished sizing will be different.

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PATTERN UK

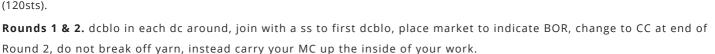
ABBREVIATIONS (UK)

- main colour (MC)
- contrast colour (CC)
- · beginning of round (BOR)
- beginning (beg)
- · chain (ch)
- stitch/stitches (st/sts)
- space (sp)
- slip stitch (ss)
- double crochet (dc)
- treble crochet (tr)
- double crochet in the back loop only (dcblo)

PATTERN

Note. all instructions between * and * are to be repeated as directed. You should always have 120sts, keep a check on this to keep your pattern symmetrical, noting that the beg. ch1 always counts as your first st.

Set-up Round. ch 121, work 1dc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch around, join to work in the round (120sts).



Round 3. in CC ch1 (always counts as first dc), dcblo in each st around. Join with a ss to beg. ch1.

Round 4. in CC ch1, dcblo in each st around. Join with a ss to beg. ch1 and change to MC. Break off yarn*

Round 5. in MC ch1, 2dcblo, 1tr in front loop of dcblo two rows down (from Round 3), *3dcblo, 1tr in front loop of dcblo two rows down*, repeat around, join with a ss to beg. ch1 and change to CC.

Round 6. in CC ch1, dcblo in each st around. Join with a ss to beg. ch1.

Round 7. in CC ch1, dcblo in each st around. Join with a ss to beg. ch1 and change to MC. Break off yarn*

Round 8. in MC ch1, 1tr in front loop of dc two rows down (from Round 6), 2dcblo, *1dcblo, 1tr in front loop of dc two rows down, 2dcblo*, repeat around, join with a ss to beg. ch1 and change to CC.

Rounds 3-8 form pattern. Change your contrast colour for each colour section working your way through your yarn advent or your mini skeins.

*Always carry your MC up the inside of your work. Also carry your CC if you are only using two colours or colour blocking. Break off yarn at the end of each colour section if you are using a yarn advent or striping with individual minis etc.

To finish. End after any MC round then work Rounds 1 & 2 again to create top ribbing.

Break off yarn, sew in all ends, block if required.



PATTERN US

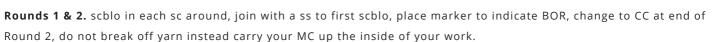
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- stitch/stitches (st/sts)
- space (sp)
- slip stitch (ss)
- single crochet (sc)
- double crochet (dc)
- single crochet in the back loop only (scblo)

PATTERN

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Set-up Round. ch 121, work 1sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch around, join to work in the round (120sts).



- Round 3. in CC ch1 (counts as first sc on all rounds), scblo in each st around. Join with a ss to beg. ch1.
- Round 4. in CC ch1, scblo in each st around. Join with a ss to beg. ch1 and change to MC. Break off yarn*
- **Round 5.** in MC ch1, 2scblo, 1dc in front loop of sc two rows down (from Round 3), *3scblo, 1dc in front loop of sc two rows down*, repeat around, join with a ss to beg. ch1 and change to CC.
- Round 6. in CC ch1, scblo in each st around. Join with a ss to beg. ch1.
- Round 7. in CC ch1, scblo in each st around. Join with a ss to beg. ch1 and change to MC. Break off yarn*
- **Round 8.** in MC ch1, 1dc in front loop of sc two rows down (from Round 6), 2scblo, *1scblo, 1dc in front loop of sc two rows down, 2scblo*, repeat around, join with a ss to beg. ch1 and change to CC.

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NOTES



You can alternatively start by working a double crochet chainless foundation of 120sts and join to work in the round.

I did this for the rainbow version and whilst I like the process, I felt it flared slightly in comparison to the top ribbing. The instructions follow in case you want to try this option.

- With MC ch2, insert hook into first ch and *pull up a loop, yo and pull through just one loop (this counts as your foundation chain st), yo and pull through the remaining two loops (this counts as your dc/sc st)*.
- Insert your hook into the ch just worked (this sits at the bottom of the dc/sc you just made) and repeat instructions from * to *, repeat until you have the number of sts required (120sts).
- Continue in MC to pattern. Join with a ss to first dc/sc and ch1 (counts as your first dc/sc). Stitch count remains the same for each round (120sts).

You don't have to use a yarn advent or even change colours for every stripe, using two colours looks lovely (especially if the main colour is solid and the contrast speckled) alternatively colour blocking like the sample shown above, this also means you have less ends to sew in at the end.

The pattern would also work for random mini skeins or small scraps, especially because each stripe is only two rounds long. You can achieve the same results using a 4ply yarn held double or held with lace weight mohair.

You can make the cowl longer or shorter depending on your personal preference.

Share your cowl with me on instagram using the hashtags #24dayscowl and/or #potterandbloom and as always enjoy crocheting.

Thanks as always to my trusty pattern testers; Bridget, Lydia, Mikki and Sara, who had to deal with the odd sizing and super tight gauge. Also thanks to Nicola, who dug out her Stylecraft Special DK to double check my 5mm sizing at the last minute. I'm so grateful.