

# *Yarn* is my MÉTIER

## Easy Glamour Crochet Neck Warmer

Design by Karen Boykin



This quick and stylishly practical neckwarmer is crocheted lengthwise, using a variant of a shell stitch called the sprig stitch. Shown here in Malabrigo chunky merino, any similar weight yarn will do. If you can chain, do a single crochet, and sew on a couple of interesting buttons, you'll be rocking this 1-skein chill chaser in no time at all.

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### Materials

- Malabrigo Yarns Chunky, (1) skein, 104 yds / 95 meters /100g
- Gauge: 4.5 pattern sts = 4" /10 cm
- Size K crochet hook (10 ½ US / 6.5 mm)
- Two (2) 7/8 or 1" / 2.5 cm buttons
- Tapestry needle
- Tape measure

### Notes

- Dimensions: 7" x 20" /18 x 50 cm
- Pattern stitch is multiple of 4 sts + 2

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### Abbreviations

Ch	Chain
SC	Single crochet
HDC	Half-double crochet
DC	Double crochet
RS	Right side
Sp	Space
St, sts	stitch (stitches)
WS	Wrong side
YO	yarn over

### Pattern Stitch

**Row 1:** 2 SC in 4th ch from hook, CH 2, 2 SC in next ch, \*skip 2 ch, 2 SC in next ch, CH 2, 2 SC in next ch; repeat from \* to last 2 ch, skip 1 ch, 1 SC in last ch, turn.

**Row 2:** CH 3, [2 SC, CH2, 2 SC] in each 2 ch sp, ending 1 SC in 3rd stitch of 3 ch, turn.

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### Instructions

>> Pattern is multiple of 4 sts + 2, adding 1 for foundation chain <<

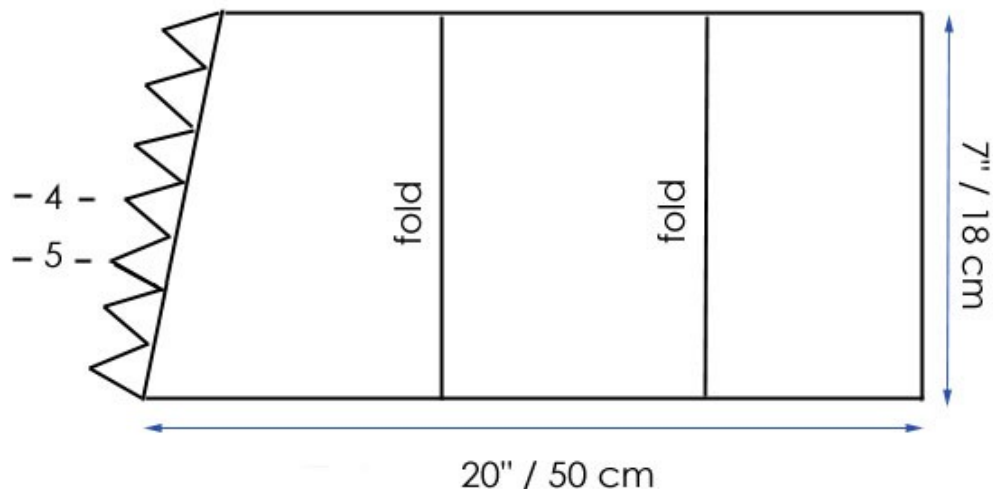
Chain 35 stitches for foundation.

**Step 1** - Crochet **Rows 1 and 2** of the pattern stitch as outlined above.

**Step 2** - Repeat **Row 2** until neck warmer reaches **20" / 50 cm**, or whatever size is appropriate for the wearer. The most important thing is that the fronts touch comfortably without constricting the neck. Next, it's on to the 3-row extension, which should provide a measure of protection against the wind.

**Step 3** - Turn piece and CH 3, [2 SC, CH2, 2 SC] in each 2 ch sp three (3) times; turn, repeat CH 3, [2 SC, CH2, 2 SC] three (3) times; turn, CH 3, [2 SC, CH2, 2 SC] twice. Cut yarn and weave in ends.

**Step 4** - Lay neck warmer flat with the extended edge to the bottom, left (see diagram below). Fold into thirds, placing the extended edge placed atop the opposite side.



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**Step 5** - Use small pieces of yarn or removable stitch markers to mark the location for the two buttons, and then secure buttons on right side edge. Chain stitch “peaks” numbered **4** and **5** will be used as buttonholes.



### Styling Tips

Depending on the weather, wear your neck warmer with the collar points turned down, with one up only or with both up to chase away the chill.



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