The Simply Perfect Scarf



This crochet scarf features a lovely textured ribbing that mimics knitting, with a beautiful braided effect. It's a fun pattern that's easy to make and stylish too! Whether you're just learning to crochet or have been crocheting for years, the "Simply Perfect Scarf" is a pattern you'll love to make, wear and gift to family and friends!

Skill Level:	Finished Size:	Hook:	Yarn Weight:
Beginner friendly	71 x 7"	6.5 mm [US K-10.5]	5 - Bulky

Finished Measurements:

Scarf measures 71 x 7"

Materials/Supplies:

o Yarn:

Brand	Color	Weight	Composition	Amount of Yarn Required
Lion Brand Scarfie	Cream/Taupe	4 -Bulky	78% acrylic, 22% wool	230 grams [480 yards]
Check for yarn substitutes here: YARNSUB.				

- Crochet Hook 6.5 mm [US K/10.5]
- Yarn Needle
- Scissors
- Tape Measure
- Stitch Markers

Gauge

11 stitches x 11 rows= 4" x 4", using Half Double Crochet in the third loop.

However, gauge is <u>not</u> important in this pattern. This is your scarf! If you're happy with the look and size of your scarf, that's all that matters!

Stitch Key & Abbreviations:

СН	chain	
HDC	half double crochet	
sc	Single crochet	
st(s)	stitch(es)	

Specialty Stitch: HDC "in the third loop"

In most basic crochet stitches you insert your hook under the 'V' on top of each stitch:

 The loop closest to you is called the 'front' loop and the loop furthest away from you is the 'back' loop:

The 'third loop' of a HDC is found on the front of your work, it's the horizontal bar just below the front loop.

- To make a HDC in the third loop:
 - 1. Yarn over, insert hook into third loop:
 - 2. Yarn over:
 - 3. Pull up a loop:
 - 4. Yarn over:
 - 5. Pull hook through all three loops on your hook:

Notes & Tips for Success:

- -Scarf is made lengthwise, in long vertical rows. This creates the lovely ribbing featured in this pattern.
- -Manage the long starting chain because the scarf is made lengthwise the starting chain is *long*. Placing a stitch marker in every 20th chain will help you keep track of your stitches to ensure you've chained the desired number.
- -Place a stitch marker in the last stitch of the row to ensure you don't forget it! Move it after every row.
- -Personalize the scarf for anyone!
 - Start with more or less starting chains to make the scarf longer or shorter.
 - Add or subtract rows to make the scarf wider or narrower.
 - Using a larger or smaller hook will increase or decrease the size of your stitches and also affect the length and width of the scarf.
 - Scarf looks fantastic in ombre and self-striping yarns.
 - Try making a sample swatch to ensure you like the look of your chosen hook and yarn combination.

-Turning chain does not count as a stitch.

-U.S. crochet terminology used throughout this pattern.

Scarf Size Guide:

A couple of quick ways to choose the appropriate scarf size:

- 1. Length: a scarf should be as long as the person is tall,
- 2. **Width:** a scarf should be as wide as the person's hand, with their fingers spread wide, measured from thumb to pinky.

Or, use the handy chart below to help you decide on a size for your scarf:

	Width:	Length:
Children	4" - 6"	36" – 60"
Women	6" – 8"	50" – 70"
Men	7" – 9"	60" – 80"

These are just guidelines. The size of your scarf is totally up to you! There's no 'right' or 'wrong' size.

If you follow the pattern below as written, your scarf will measure approximately: 71" x 7".

Pattern Instructions:

	Chain (CH) 220, or make the number of chains necessary to reach your desired scarf length.
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Row:	Instructions:
1	In the second chain from hook, SC in every st to the end. CH 1 and turn. (219 sts)
2	HDC in each st to the end of the row. CH 1 and turn.(219 sts)
3	Make 1 'HDC in the third loop' in every stitch until you have one st remaining, HDC in the last st. CH 1 and turn.
4-17	Repeat row 3. Or repeat row 3 until your scarf reaches your desired width.

Finishing:

Fasten off and weave in your ends.		

Thanks so much for checking out my pattern!