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Bliss Scarf

A HOMELEA LASS® CROCHET PATTERN



version 13 us terminology

When my chronic fatigue left me completely exhausted and drained I discovered that crocheting with chunky yarns took me to a happy place. Even though I was physically feeling horrid and exhausted, on the inside I felt blissful and happy. The movements and textures soothed my soul and made me feel good deep within me.

I've designed my Bliss Scarf to tap into that happy place. Everything about this crochet pattern is blissful - the soft yarn is a joy to create with and the repetitive stitch pattern relaxes and soothes. Even looking at the fascinating texture feels good.

The gorgeous loops and lines texture of this scarf is created by single crochet stitches that are worked through the front loop of the stitch below. The stitches on the edges of the scarf are worked through both loops to give the scarf structure and strength.

As you're creating your Bliss Scarf relax and feel into your heart. Discover a place that you can escape to that feels good, that feels like bliss. This is your happy place.

With love,

Lynda



Can I add this pattern to my Ravelry library?

Certainly! Use the code BLISSFULSCARF at www.ravelry.com/redeem/homelea-lass to download and add this pattern to your Ravelry library.

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What do I need?

- ... 2 x 300g (10.5oz) skeins of Homelea Bliss yarn in Steele Blue
 - ... 15.75mm (Q) bamboo crochet hook
 - ... Tape measure
 - ... Scissors
 - ... Chunky yarn joining kit (optional)
 - ... Yarn swift (optional)
- or alternatively purchase a Bliss Scarf Kit.

What size is it?

- ... Finished size - 15.6cm (6.1in) by 1.6m (1.7yds)
- ... Gauge - 8 rows by 9 stitches in a 20cm (7.9in) by 20cm (7.9in) square.

How do I change the finished size?

There are a couple of different ways that you can change the finished size:

- ... Increase or decrease the number of stitches in the foundation chain and in the rows.
- ... Increase or decrease the number of rows.
- ... Change the size of your yarn or your crochet hook.

How do I read the pattern?

I've written this pattern using US terminology and I've used abbreviations to make the pattern easy to follow. The abbreviations I've used and the equivalent UK and US terminologies are summarized in the table below. There is a version of this pattern written using UK terminology.

<i>abbreviation</i>	<i>US terminology</i>	<i>UK terminology</i>
ch	chain	chain
sc	single crochet	double crochet
st(s)	stitch(es)	stitch(es)

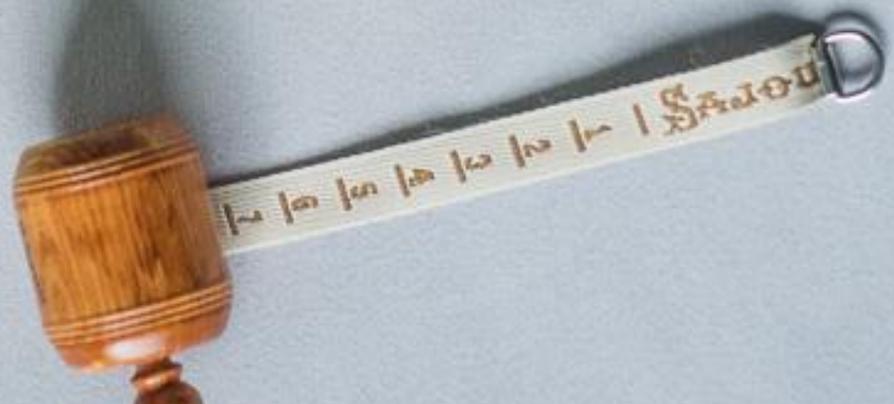
You may notice that I write and set out my crochet patterns a little differently. I do this to make it easier for you to follow and understand.

In this pattern, the turning chain is always worked at the start of the row, not at the end of the previous row.

At the end of each row I've included the number of stitches in the row. You'll find this in the curly brackets. For example, {35 sts} means that there are 35 stitches in the row.

What if I get stuck?

Your Homelea Lass® crochet pattern comes with full email support. If you get a bit stuck following the pattern or are unsure what to do, just email lynda@homelealass.com with your query. I'll respond as soon as I can to help you out.



Easy-peasy yarn joins

One of the reasons I love creating with Homelea Bliss is because it's possible to felt the ends of it together - this means less wastage and no sewing in ends.

To felt the ends together all that's needed is a Chunky Yarn Joining Kit which includes a felting tool, a felting mat, mat cleaner and spare needles.

Follow these steps to join Homelea Bliss:

- Individually twist each end and then felt the plied parts of the yarn together. Chop off the loose bit at the end at an angle.
- Overlap the two ends for approximately 10cm, twist them together and lie them on the felting mat.
- Using the felting tool, felt the twisted ends together. Keep rotating the join to make sure the two ends are completely joined and felted.
- I like to give the join a tug at the end just to make sure it's not going to come apart.

A more advanced option

To have the top and bottom edges of your scarf both showing the beautiful v's of the crochet stitches all you need to do is work the stitches of row 1 into the single loop at the back of the chain stitches in the foundation chain.

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What else do I need to know?

-- The stitches in the body of this scarf are worked through the front loop of the stitch underneath it. If you've never done this before don't worry - it's super easy to do.

When you look at a crochet stitch there are two loops on top and normally you pass your hook through both loops. The loop closest to you is called the front loop and the loop furthest from you is called the back loop. To work your crochet stitch in the front loop all you need to do is put your crochet hook under the loop that's closest to you (and forget about the other loop). This YouTube video explains this >>> www.youtube.com/watch?v=DUMawrpRH4o

-- This scarf is reversible so you can choose which side you want to be the right side / front.

-- I've discovered that the Homelea Bliss yarn is too chunky for my ball winder and that the easiest way to turn the skeins into balls (without a fairy godmother) is to put the skein on a yarn swift and roll it into a ball by hand. As this yarn is so chunky (and lovely) you can also wind it into a ball by lying the opened skein out flat in front of you - if you're careful the yarn doesn't get tangled.

-- To maximize the blissfulness of crocheting this scarf why don't you felt the ends of the yarn together when you're rolling them into balls?

-- I've found that when I crochet with chunky yarns and huge hooks I hold the yarn, crocheting and hook differently to when I'm using "normal" sized yarn because of the extra size and weight. To avoid getting pain in my arms and hands I share the crocheting movements between both arms and it becomes a full upper body workout!





How do I make my Bliss Scarf?

Foundation chain

- Leaving a 15cm (5.9in) end, make a slip knot and then make 7 ch. {7 sts}

This is a good time to check your gauge - your chain should be about 15.6cm (6.1in) long.

Row 1:

- Work a ch 1 (this is the turning ch and doesn't count as a st) and then do a sc in the first st.
- Continue by making a sc in each st across. Turn. {7 sts}

Row 2:

- Work a ch 1 (this is the turning ch and doesn't count as a st) and then do a sc in the first st.
- For the next 5 sts make a sc through the front loop only.
- There should be 1 st left and in this make a sc through both loops (just like what you did in the first st of this row). Turn. {7 sts}

Rows 3 to 62:

- Repeat row 2.

Finishing:

- Leaving a 15cm (5.9in) tail, cut off the yarn.
- Pass the end through the loop and pull it to close and secure the st.
- Weave in the ends using your fingers to secure them or, alternatively, felt in the ends using your felting tool and mat. Trim off any loose ends after tying a knot in the end.





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Crochet chart

row 62 > 0+ ± ± ± ± ± +
+ ± ± ± ± ± +0 < row 61

continue repeating row 2
until row 62 has been reached.

row 6 > 0+ ± ± ± ± ± +
+ ± ± ± ± ± +0 < row 5

row 4 > 0+ ± ± ± ± ± +
+ ± ± ± ± ± +0 < row 3

row 2 > 0+ ± ± ± ± ± +
+ + + + + + +0 < row 1

foundation chain > ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○
(7 stitches)

- ch - chain
- + sc - single crochet
- ± sc flo - single crochet in front loop



How do I block and wash my crocheting?

You've invested a lot of your precious time and energy into your crocheting so it's important that it looks its best. Blocking will work its magic by relaxing and resetting the fibres in the yarn.

This is what you need to do:

- Soak your crocheting in cold water mixed with wool detergent for approximately 30 minutes. This allows the water to fully soak into the fibres. You may need to turn your crocheting while it is soaking.
- If it's required by the detergent, rinse.
- Drain the water from your crocheting by gently lifting it and letting the water run out of it. It's important to avoid squeezing or wringing it at this stage because this can damage the delicate fibres of the yarn.
- Spread out a towel and lie your crocheting flat on it. Fold the towel over your crocheting and roll it up to remove the excess water.
- Take your crocheting out of the towel and lie it flat in a warm place that is out of direct sunlight.
- Shape your crocheting to size by gently stretching it if required. Straighten up the edges and make sure it is even and flat. A ruler can come in handy with straightening up the edges.
- Leave your crocheting to dry. You may need to turn it to ensure it dries completely.

To keep your crocheting looking beautiful follow these instructions any time it needs washing.

Have you heard of Blanket School?

Would you love to crochet a soft and chunky blanket with expert guidance and be part of a community of like-minded creative souls?

Focused on finding peace and happiness through creativity, Blanket School combines all of this into an easy-to-use online course - it really is the best way to crochet a chunky blanket.

Find out more at homeleaclass.com/blanket-school



about the designer

Hi! My name is Lynda and I have designed this pattern for you. I am a creative, a teacher, an intuitive, a yarn lover, a crochet queen and I enjoy drinking cups of tea in my home in the Australian outback.

My magic power is that I can weave my intuitive and creative knowledge to help women to heal themselves by creating soulfully.

I'd love to hear from you! Feel free to get in contact with me if you want to say hi, need some help and, of course, to show me what you've made.

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