



Pup's Favorite Rainbow Sweater: count notes

Status and scope

PetsCrochet count review, version 1.0, September 28, 2026. These are editorial arithmetic notes, not designer-issued errata. Proposed changes are prototype-ready drafts. No physical sample, fit trial or wash test has been completed. The complete supplied pattern follows this page. Check the notes against your selected size before starting.

Belly/back decrease totals

The shaping begins with 37 (51, 57, 67) stitches for S (M, L, XL). Each decrease row removes 2 stitches. One decrease row followed by 1 (4, 7, 7) MORE repeats makes 2 (5, 8, 8) decrease rows. Following that written schedule leaves 33 (41, 41, 51), not the printed 35 (41, 43, 53). The original intention cannot be established from arithmetic alone. A proposed working interpretation is to preserve the written repeats and use 33 (41, 41, 51) as the totals. Check the resulting length and shape on a sample; do not change the repeats merely to force a printed total.

Gauge and finished size

The pattern lists 13 single crochets and 14 rows per 4 inches, a 5 mm starting hook, and finished chests of 12 (16.5, 19, 22) inches. Those are pattern specifications, not measurements from a sample made for this package. Count body rows from the first body row after the collar when tracking the listed 36 (44, 54, 72) total body rows.



MATERIALS

Red Heart® Super Saver® Stripes™ (5 oz/141g; 236 yds/215 m)

Sizes	S	M	L	XL	
Favourite Stripe (4965)	1	1	2	2	ball(s)
	151	207	240	277	yds
	138	189	219	253	m

Size U.S. H/8 (5 mm) Susan Bates® Silvalume® crochet hook **or size needed to obtain gauge.** Susan Bates® stitch markers. Susan Bates® yarn needle.



CROCHET | SKILL LEVEL: **EASY**

ABBREVIATIONS

Ch = Chain(s)
Cont = Continue(ity)
Pat = Pattern
PM = Place marker
Rnd(s) = Round(s)
Rem = Remain(ing)
Rep = Repeat
RS = Right side

Sc = Single crochet
Scbl = Single crochet through back loop only
Sc2tog = Draw up a loop in each of next 2 sc. Yoh and draw through all 3 loops on hook

St(s) = Stitch(es)
Sl st = Slip stitch
WS = Wrong side
Yoh = Yarn over hook

SIZES

To fit chest measurement

S	10" [25.5 cm]
M	14" [35.5 cm]
L	17" [43 cm]
XL	20" [51 cm]

Finished chest

S	12" [30.5 cm]
M	16½" [42 cm]
L	19" [48 cm]
XL	22" [56 cm]

GAUGE

13 sc and 14 rows = 4" [10 cm].

INSTRUCTIONS

The instructions are written for **S** size. If changes are necessary for larger sizes the instructions will be written **S (M-L-XL)**. Numbers for each size are shown in the same color throughout the pattern. When only one number is given in black, it applies to all sizes.

DOG COAT

Collar: Ch 11 loosely.

1st row: 1 sc in 2nd ch from hook. 1 sc in each ch to end of chain. Turn. 10 sc.

2nd row: Ch 1. 1 scbl in each st to end of row. Turn.

Rep 2nd row **34 (44-54-62)** times more.

Body: 1st row: (RS). Ch 1. Work **37** (**47-57-65**) sc across long edge of Collar. Turn. **37** (**47-57-65**) sc.

2nd row: Ch 1. 1 sc in each sc to end of row. Turn.

1st row: (RS). Ch 1. 2 sc in first sc. 1 sc in each sc to last sc. 2 sc in last sc. Turn. **39** (**49-59-67**) sc. Rep last row **2** (**6-4-4**) times more. **43** (**61-67-75**) sc.

Next row: Ch 1. 1 sc in each sc to end of row.

Size S only: Next row: (RS). Ch 1. 2 sc in first sc. 1 sc in each sc to last sc. 2 sc in last sc. Turn.

Next row: Ch 1. 1 sc in each sc to end of row. Turn.

Size L only: Next row: (RS). Ch 1. 2 sc in first sc. 1 sc in each sc to last sc. 2 sc in last sc. Turn.

Next row: Ch 1. 1 sc in each sc to end of row. Turn.

Rep last 2 rows once more. 71 sc. Work 2 rows even.

Size XL only: Next row: (RS). Ch 1. 2 sc in first sc. 1 sc in each sc to last sc. 2 sc in last sc. Turn.

Next row: Ch 1. 1 sc in each sc to end of row. Turn.

Rep last 2 rows 3 times more. 83 sc. Work 2 rows even.

Leg Sections:

All sizes: Proceed across **45** (**61-71-83**) sc as follows:

1st row: (RS). Ch 1. 1 sc in each of first **4** (**6-8-10**) sc. Turn. Work **4** (**6-6-10**) rows even, ending on a RS row. Fasten off.

With RS facing, skip next **4** (**5-7-9**) sc. Join yarn and work in sc across next **29** (**39-41-45**) sc. Work **4** (**6-6-10**) rows even, ending on a RS row. Fasten off.

With RS facing, skip next **4** (**5-7-9**) sc. Join yarn and work in sc across next **4** (**6-8-10**) sc. Work **4** (**6-6-10**) rows even, ending on a RS row. Turn.

Joining row: (WS). Ch 1. 1 sc in each of first **4** (**6-8-10**) sc. Ch **4** (**5-7-9**). 1 sc in each of next **29** (**39-41-45**) sc. Ch **4** (**5-7-9**). 1 sc in each sc to end of row. Turn.

Next row: Ch 1. 1 sc in each of first **4** (**6-8-10**) sc. 1 sc in each of next **4** (**5-7-9**) ch. 1 sc in each of next **29** (**39-41-45**) sc. 1 sc in each of next **4** (**5-7-9**) ch. 1 sc in each sc to end of row. Turn. **45** (**61-71-83**) sc.

Work **3** (**5-5-7**) rows even, ending on a WS row. PM at each end of last row.

Shape Back: Next row: (RS). Sl st across first **4** (**5-7-8**) sc. Ch 1. 1 sc in each sc to last **4** (**5-7-8**) sc. Turn. Leave rem sts unworked. **37** (**51-57-67**) sts.

Next row: Ch 1. 1 sc in each sc to end of row. Turn.

Next row: Ch 1. Sc2tog. 1 sc in each sc to last 2 sts. Sc2tog. Turn. Rep last 2 rows **1** (**4-7-7**) time(s) more. **35** (**41-43-53**) sts rem.

Cont even until **36** (**44-54-72**) rows are complete. Fasten off.

Sew neck and belly seam to marker.

FINISHING

Back Edging: 1st rnd: (RS). Join with sl st at seam. Ch 1. Work sc evenly around. Join with sl st to first sc.

2nd and 3rd rnds: Ch 1. 1 sc in each sc around. Join with sl st to first sc.

Fasten off at end of 3rd rnd.

Leg Edging: 1st rnd: (RS). Join with sl st at leg opening. Ch 1. Work **16** (**24-32-40**) sc evenly around. Join with sl st to first sc.

2nd to 6th rnds: Ch 1. 1 sc in each sc around. Join with sl st to first sc. Fasten off at end of 6th rnd.

