

## Buffy Has a Warm Neck



Buffy Has a Warm Neck is a long infinity cowl done in an asymmetrical shell stitch. The colors are carried along the edge so there are not a ton of ends to weave. I used colors that reminded me of vampires, but I do so hate a sparkly vampire, so I named it for someone who could rid us of those menaces. I hope this keeps your neck warm from the cold and safe from vampires of all types.

Hook size: 4.25 mm

Yarn: Malabrigo lace in Purple Mystery, Cereza, and Plomo

Gauge: 16 rows = 4 inches; 10 shells = 4 inches

Finished size: 72" x 11 1/2"

The pattern	The pattern all written out	What's going on
Ch 94 in red	Using the red yarn, chain 94	
Row 1: sc, hdc, dc in 4th ch from hook, *sk 2 ch, sc, hdc, dc in next ch*, rep to last 3 ch, hdc in last ch	<p>Working in the 4th chain from the hook, work a single crochet, a half double crochet, and a double crochet all into that chain.</p> <p>Skip 2 chains</p> <p>Work the same single crochet, half double crochet, double crochet group into the next chain.</p> <p>Repeat this process to the last three chains, remembering to skip two chains between each</p>	<p>You are just setting up the project. This is the fussiest row for counting. After this row, you will just be searching out the double crochet in each group and working your stitches into that stitch.</p>

	<p>group.</p> <p>In the last chain, work one half double crochet.</p>	
<p>Row 2: ch 2, sc, hdc, dc in each dc from last row to end, hdc in tc (change to gray, carry color along edge)</p>	<p>Chain 2.</p> <p>Single crochet, half double crochet, double crochet into each double crochet from the last row.</p> <p>In the turning chain from the last row, work a half double crochet, and add the gray on this stitch.</p>	<p>At the end of this row, you are going to add a new color. This isn't hard, but it is important to add it at the right time.</p> <p>To do this, begin working the last half double crochet in the turning chain from the last row. When you have three loops on the hook, drop the red and drape the black over the hook. The last yarn over of the stitch is done with the black. Pull it through and your stitch is completed. You may need to snug up the red and gray yarns to get the stitch to sit correctly. Make sure you secure the new color (I tie a knot).</p> <p>Do not end off the red. Just let it attached to the side of the project.</p>
<p>Row 3: ch 2, sc, hdc, dc in each dc from last row to end, hdc in tc</p>	<p>Chain 2.</p> <p>Single crochet, half double crochet, double crochet into each double crochet from the last row.</p> <p>In the turning chain from the last row, work a half double crochet.</p>	<p>Work this row in gray.</p>
<p>Row 4: ch 2, sc, hdc, dc in each dc from last row to end, hdc in tc (change to red, carry color along edge)</p>	<p>Chain 2.</p> <p>Single crochet, half double crochet, double crochet into each double crochet from the last row.</p> <p>In the turning chain from the</p>	<p>Work this row in gray.</p> <p>At the end of the row, work the first half of the double crochet in gray. On the last yarn over, bring up and red yarn and use it for the last yarn over. Drop the gray and</p>

	<p>last row, work a half double crochet, and change back to the red.</p>	<p>continue working in the red.</p> <p>This is how the rest of the color changes go. Work the row in the color you need, at the end of the stripe pick up the new color and work part of the half double with that new color.</p> <p>You may need to adjust the bit of yarn that carries along the edge of the work. You do not want it so loose that it flops, but neither so tight that it puckers the work. Think like Goldilocks: You want it just right.</p>
<p>Rows 5 - 47: Repeat row 2, change color after every two rows. End on a red stripe, break red and secure.</p>	<p>Chain 2.</p> <p>Single crochet, half double crochet, double crochet into each double crochet from the last row.</p> <p>In the turning chain from the last row, work a half double crochet.</p> <p>On the 47th stripe, you should be on red. Complete the row and break the yarn.</p>	<p>What you need to remember is to change the color after every two rows. All of the color changes take place on one edge of the work. If you find yourself on that side, change the color.</p> <p>One thing I found was that sometimes my chains were a little tight on the color change end. Make sure to make your chains loose on the color change end. Or, at least, be aware of this if you have issues with it.</p>
<p>Row 48: Repeat row 2 in gray</p>	<p>Chain 2.</p> <p>Single crochet, half double crochet, double crochet into each double crochet from the last row.</p> <p>In the turning chain from the last row, work a half double crochet.</p>	<p>This begins the next section. The first row of this section is gray, and you should end on a gray stripe.</p>
<p>Row 49: Row 2 in gray (Attach and change to purple)</p>	<p>Chain 2.</p> <p>Single crochet, half double</p>	<p>You will add the purple yarn on the last half double crochet of the gray stripe.</p>

	<p>crochet, double crochet into each double crochet from the last row.</p> <p>In the turning chain from the last row, work a half double crochet, and add the purple on this stitch.</p>	
Rows 50 and 51: Repeat row 2 in purple	<p>Chain 2.</p> <p>Single crochet, half double crochet, double crochet into each double crochet from the last row.</p> <p>In the turning chain from the last row, work a half double crochet, change to the gray yarn.</p>	Keep going in the pattern.
Rows 52 - 94: Repeat row 2, change color after every two rows. End on a gray stripe, break gray and secure.	<p>Chain 2.</p> <p>Single crochet, half double crochet, double crochet into each double crochet from the last row.</p> <p>In the turning chain from the last row, work a half double crochet.</p> <p>On the 94th stripe, you should be on gray. Complete the row and break the yarn.</p>	Remember to keep changing the color every two rows.
Row 95: Repeat row 2 in purple	<p>Chain 2.</p> <p>Single crochet, half double crochet, double crochet into each double crochet from the last row.</p> <p>In the turning chain from the last row, work a half double crochet.</p>	This begins the next section. The first row of this section is purple and you should end on a purple stripe.
Row 96: Row 2 in purple (Attach and change to red)	<p>Chain 2.</p> <p>Single crochet, half double crochet, double crochet into</p>	You will add the red yarn on the last half double crochet of the purple stripe.

	<p>each double crochet from the last row.</p> <p>In the turning chain from the last row, work a half double crochet, and add the red on this stitch.</p>	
Row 97 and 98: Repeat row 2 in red	<p>Chain 2.</p> <p>Single crochet, half double crochet, double crochet into each double crochet from the last row.</p> <p>In the turning chain from the last row, work a half double crochet, change to the purple yarn.</p>	
Rows 99 - 141: Repeat row 2, change color after every two rows. End on a purple stripe, break red and secure.	<p>Chain 2.</p> <p>Single crochet, half double crochet, double crochet into each double crochet from the last row.</p> <p>In the turning chain from the last row, work a half double crochet.</p> <p>On the 141th stripe, you should be on purple. Complete the row and break the yarn.</p> <p>End off both colors and secure.</p>	I end off the red after I complete the last row in red.
Wash and block; weave ends.		
<p>Lay the rectangle out and flip one short end one time. Line the short edges up and, using either red or purple yarn, attach the two short ends together.</p> <p>Weave the ends.</p> <p>Stay safe from vampires.</p>		

