

Crochet A-Line Skirt with Scalloped Edging: Row-by-Row Pattern

This pattern guides you through creating a stylish crochet A-line skirt with a fun scalloped edge, perfect for beginners. You'll learn make a ribbed waistband for a comfy fit and customize the skirt length and color your liking.

Skill Level: Beginner

Materials:

- **Yarn:** Worsted weight (medium 4) cotton yarn, about 225 grams (Feel free swap in other yarn weights, but remember your gauge and skirt size might change.)
- **Crochet Hook:** Size D/3 (3.25mm) (Adjust hook size if needed match gauge.)
- **Stitch marker**
- **Yarn needle**
- **Buttons:** One or two (optional: transparent)
- **Optional:** Yarn for a tie (about 1 meter)

Gauge: 4 double crochets (dc) and 5 rows = 2 inches

Sizing:

The instructions are for a size Small, but you can easily adjust the size by changing the number of chains in the waistband and the number of rounds worked for the skirt length.

- **Waistband length:** Measure your waist. The finished waistband should be a tad smaller than your waist measurement since it'll stretch a bit.
- **Skirt length:** Measure from your natural waistline down your desired skirt length.

Abbreviations:

- ch: chain
- sc: single crochet
- dc: double crochet
- inc: increase (two dc in one stitch)
- sl st: slip stitch
- st(s): stitch(es)

Instructions:

Waistband:

Row 1:

1. Make a slip knot and ch 10 (or the number of chains get your desired waistband width).
2. Ch 1 (counts as your first dc), turn.

Row 2:

1. Sc in the second ch from the hook and in each ch across. You should have 10 sc.
2. Ch 1, turn.

Rows 3 - 100 (or until the waistband is your desired length):

1. Working in back loops only (see note below), sc in each st across. You should still have 10 sc.
2. Ch 1, turn.

Note: Working in back loops only means you'll insert your hook into the back bump of each stitch instead of both loops. This creates the ribbed texture.

Last Stitch of Each Waistband Row:

For the very last stitch of each row, work a regular sc (through both loops) instead of just the back loop. This helps make a neater edge.

Joining Waistband:**Joining Round:**

1. Ch 1, turn.
2. Working in both loops now, sc evenly around the bottom edge of the waistband. Try get roughly the same number of sc as you had rows in the waistband.
3. Join with a sl st the first sc make a circle.
4. Place a stitch marker show the opening.

Expanding the Skirt:**Round 1:**

1. Ch 2 (counts as your first dc).
2. *Dc in next st, inc in next st.* Repeat from * around.
3. Join with a sl st the top of the ch-2.

Skirt Body:**Round 2:**

1. Ch 2.
2. *Dc in each st around.*
3. Join with a sl st the top of the ch-2.

Rounds 3 - 29 (or until the skirt is the length you want):

1. Repeat Round 2.

Scalloped Edging:**Round 30:**

1. Ch 2, skip the first st.
2. *2 dc in next st, ch 2, 2 dc in same st, dc in next st, skip next st.* Repeat from * around.
3. Join with a sl st the top of the ch-2.

Round 31:

1. Ch 1.
2. *6 dc in ch-2 space, sl st in next dc.* Repeat from * around.

3. Join with a sl st the first ch-1.
4. Fasten off and weave in ends.

Finishing:

1. Attach button(s) the waistband close the opening. You can use a see-through button or any button you like!
2. **Optional Tie:** Ch a long chain (about 1 meter) and sl st in each ch across. Weave this tie through the waistband near the button for a cute touch, or use it tie the skirt.

Increasing and Decreasing:

- **Increasing:** Make the skirt wider by adding more increases in Round 1. You could even work an inc in every stitch for a really full skirt!
- **Decreasing:** Make the skirt less flared by replacing some increases with regular dc in Round 1. For example, you could do *dc in next st, inc in next 2 sts, dc in next st* and repeat. You can also gradually decrease throughout the skirt by working a decrease stitch (like an invisible decrease or sc2tog) every few stitches in a round.

Color Variations:

- Stick with one color for a classic look.
- Use a variegated yarn for a fun, colorful vibe.
- Make stripes by switching yarn colors every few rounds.

Notes:

- Change the number of chains in the waistband and rounds in the skirt body get your perfect size and length.
- Check your gauge often make sure the skirt fits right.
- Block the finished skirt (lay it flat dry) for a polished look.