FREE CROCHET PATTERN

Beginner Sampler Dishcloth

Learn sc, hdc and dc in one first project · US terms

SKILL LEVEL	SIZE	HOOK
Beginner	**about 7.5 × 7.5 in**	**5 mm (US H-8)**
YARN	**STITCHES**	**TIME**
Worsted cotton	**ch, sc, hdc, dc**	**About 1.5 hours**

Materials

- Worsted (#4) 100% cotton, about 45 yd
- 5 mm (US H-8) hook, tapestry needle, scissors

Abbreviations (US terms)

ch	chain	**dc**	double crochet
sc	single crochet	**sl st**	slip stitch
hdc	half double crochet	**st(s)**	stitch(es)

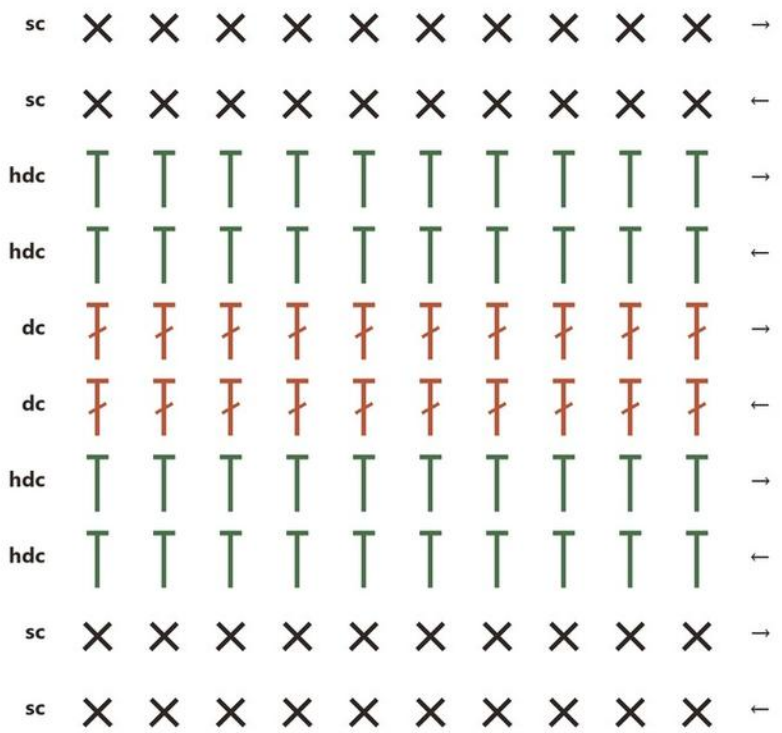
Gauge isn't critical. Count your stitches at the end of every row: there should always be 30.

Dishcloth

Foundation	Ch 31.	
Row 1	Sc in the 2nd ch from the hook and in each ch across. Turn.	**(30)**
Rows 2–6	Ch 1 (does not count), sc in each st across. Turn.	**(30)**
Rows 7–11	Ch 2 (does not count), hdc in each st across. Turn.	**(30)**
Rows 12–15	Ch 2 (does not count), dc in each st across. Turn.	**(30)**
Rows 16–20	Ch 2 (does not count), hdc in each st across. Turn.	**(30)**
Rows 21–26	Ch 1 (does not count), sc in each st across. Turn.	**(30)**
Border	Do not turn. Ch 1, sc evenly down the side, 3 sc in the corner, sc in each ch along the bottom, 3 sc in the corner, sc evenly up the side, 3 sc in the corner, sc in each st across the top, 2 sc in the first corner, sl st to the first sc. Aim for 30 sc per side plus the corners.	**(132)**
Finish	Fasten off and weave in the ends. Rinse, squeeze out the water and dry flat.	

Sampler Dishcloth · Stitch Chart

10 of the 30 sts and 2 rows of each band shown: sc (x), hdc (T), dc (T with a bar)



Every row: turning chain, then 1 stitch in each stitch across. The stitch count never changes: 30 sts.

Bands from the bottom: 6 rows sc, 5 rows hdc, 4 rows dc, 5 rows hdc, 6 rows sc

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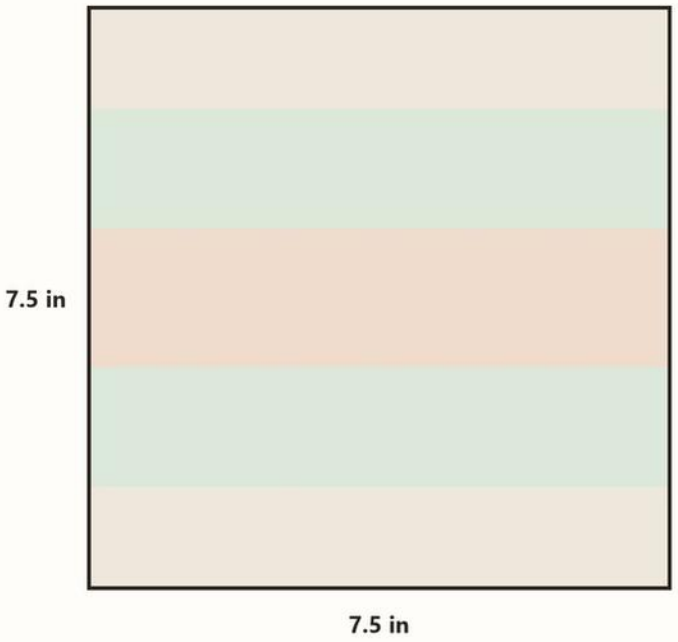
Sampler Dishcloth · Size

30 sts wide, 26 rows · about 7.5 × 7.5 in before the border



Width: 30 sts = 7.5 in

Height: 26 rows = 7.5 in

Bands from the bottom: 6 sc, 5 hdc, 4 dc, 5 hdc, 6 sc rows

Border: 1 round of sc adds about 1/4 in all round

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The Three Stitches You Need

Each band of the dishcloth practises one of them

Single crochet (sc)



2 loops on the hook

Insert the hook, yarn over, pull up a loop (2 loops), yarn over, pull through both.

Half double (hdc)



3 loops on the hook

Yarn over, insert, yarn over, pull up a loop (3 loops), yarn over, pull through all 3.

Double crochet (dc)



3 loops on the hook

Yarn over, insert, pull up a loop (3 loops), yarn over, pull through 2, yarn over, pull through 2.

Turning chain



1 loop on the hook

At the start of each row: ch 1 for sc, ch 2 for hdc and dc. Then work into the first stitch.

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