FREE CROCHET PATTERN

Popcorn Stitch Pillow Cover

Learn the crochet popcorn stitch with a cushion cover · US terms

SKILL LEVEL	SIZE	HOOK
Easy+	15.1 × 15.2 in, for a 16 in pillow	5 mm (US H-8)
YARN	**STITCHES**	**TIME**
Worsted cotton, 412 yd	sc, dc, popcorn	A weekend

Materials

- Worsted (#4) cotton, about 412 yd
- 16 × 16 in pillow form
- 5 mm (US H-8) hook, tapestry needle

Abbreviations (US terms)

ch	chain	**popcorn**	5 dc in one st, closed (see steps)
sc	single crochet	**sl st**	slip stitch
dc	double crochet	**RS / WS**	right / wrong side

Gauge: 14 sc and 16 rows = 4 in. Popcorn: 5 dc in the same st, drop the loop, insert the hook front to back in the 1st dc, pick up the dropped loop and pull it through, ch 1.

How to make a popcorn stitch

Step 1	Work 5 dc in the same stitch.
Step 2	Take the hook out of the last loop and keep that loop open.
Step 3	Insert the hook from front to back into the top of the first dc of the group.
Step 4	Put the dropped loop back on the hook. You now have 2 loops on the hook.
Step 5	Pull the dropped loop through the first dc. The group folds forward into a popcorn.
Step 6	Ch 1 to close. This chain locks the popcorn and is not worked into later.

Front panel

Chain	Ch 52.	
Row 1 (WS)	Sc in the 2nd ch from the hook and in each ch across. Turn.	**(51)**
Row 2 (RS)	Ch 1, sc in the first 3 sts, *popcorn in the next st, sc in the next 3 sts*; repeat from * across. Turn.	**(12 popcorns)**
Rows 3–5	Ch 1, sc in each st across (sc in the top of each popcorn, not in its closing ch). Turn.	**(51)**
Row 6 (RS)	Ch 1, sc in the first 5 sts, *popcorn in the next st, sc in the next 3 sts*; repeat from * until 6 sts remain, popcorn in the next st, sc in the last 5 sts. Turn.	**(11 popcorns)**

Rows 7–9	Ch 1, sc in each st across. Turn.	**(51)**
Rows 10–57	Repeat Rows 2–9 another 6 times.	**(7 repeats in all)**
Row 58	Repeat Row 2.	**(12 popcorns)**
Row 59	Ch 1, sc in each st across. Fasten off.	**(51)**

Back panel

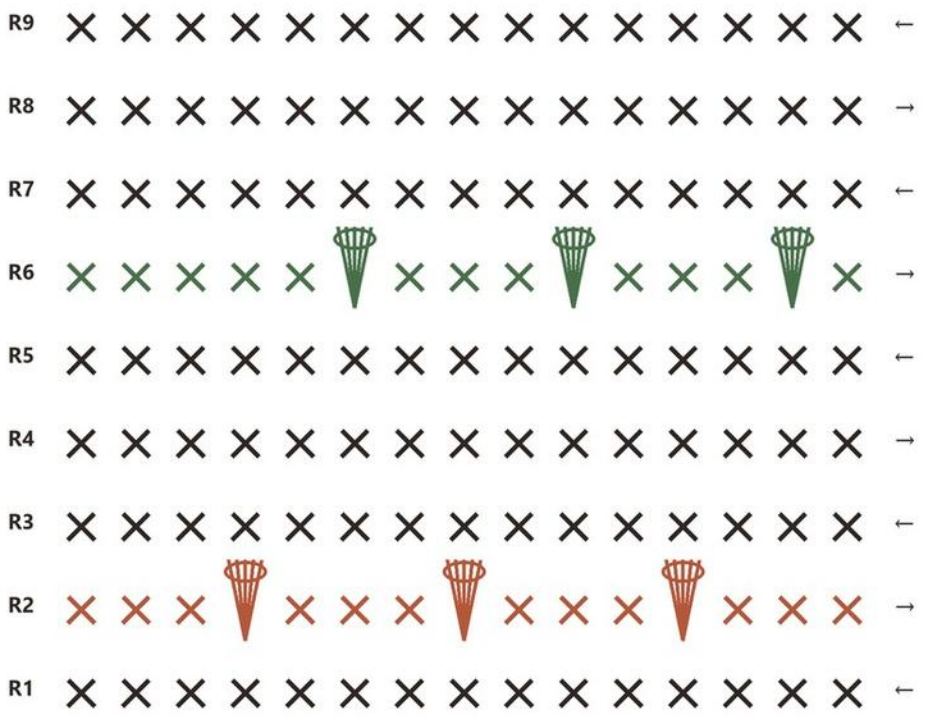
Back	Ch 52. Row 1: sc in the 2nd ch from the hook and in each ch across. Rows 2–59: ch 1, sc in each st across. Do not fasten off.	**(51 sts × 59 rows)**

Joining

Join	Place the front on the back, wrong sides together, popcorns facing out. Working through both layers with the back's working loop, ch 1 and sc evenly around three sides: 1 sc in each st along the top and bottom, 1 sc in the end of each row, 3 sc in each corner.
Close	Push the pillow form in, then sc along the fourth side the same way. Sl st to the first sc, fasten off and weave in the ends.

Popcorn Stitch Pillow · Stitch Chart

Rows 1–9 shown (first 15 of 51 sts). Repeat Rows 2–9; popcorns are worked on RS rows only.



x = sc · fan of 5 dc closed with an oval = popcorn

Row 2: sc 3, (popcorn, sc 3) x12 · Row 6: sc 5, (popcorn, sc 3) x10, popcorn, sc 5

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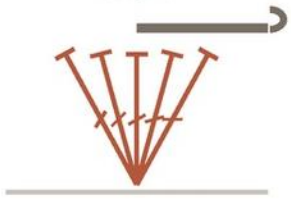
How to Crochet a Popcorn Stitch

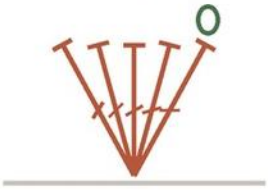
5 dc in one stitch, drop the loop, pull it through the first dc and ch 1

Step 1



Work 5 dc in the same stitch.

Step 2



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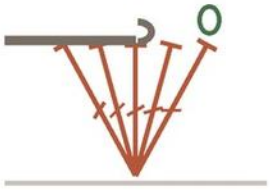
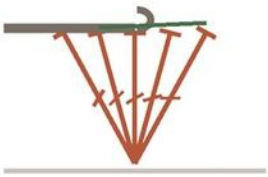
Step 3



Insert the hook from front to back into the top of the first dc of the group.

Step 4



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Step 5



Pull the dropped loop through the first dc. The group folds forward into a popcorn.

Step 6



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