Quick & Easy Crochet Dishcloth Pattern - Two Ways

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Tools & Materials

Worsted/Aran weight cotton yarn – 4.5mm/H or G Hook

Yardage per square:
25g/38m/41yds

Finished dimensions:
Approx – 18cm/ 7" x 18cm/ 7"

Finished size & yardage will vary depending on hook size, yarn thickness & your personal gauge.

Alternative Yarn Thickness
You can also try DK weight yarn with a 3.5mm hook which will result in a slightly smaller cloth.

Key

beg – beginning
ch – chain
dc – double crochet
hdc – half double crochet
esc – extended single crochet
prev – previous
sk – skip
rnd(s) – round(s)
sl st – slip st
st(s) – stitch(es)

Yarn Ideas
Yarn & Colors Epic
Lily Sugar 'n Cream Solids
DMC Natura Medium

Simple Half Double Crochet Dish Cloth – Version 1 – Bottom Up

Instructions

ch2s are used at the start of each row, these do not count as a stitch, nor are they ever worked into.

Row 1: Ch27; sk2 chs, working into the back ridges of the chain, 1dhc into each of the next 25chs. *(25sts)*

Row 2: ch2, do not sk any sts, going through both loops 1hdc in the 1st st,; working in the back loop only 1hdc in each each of the next 21 sts; going through both loops 1hdc in the last st. *(25sts)*

> *Note* : the first & last stitches are worked through both loops of the stitch to give stability to the edges, the rest of the stitches in the row are worked through the back loops only to give the dish cloth the ribbed texture.

Repeat Row 2 14 times more, or until your cloth is square – you can check this either with a ruler, i.e. measure the sides and make sure they match the width or by simply folding the piece diagonally from one corner to another. **DO NOT FASTEN OFF.**

Border

Ch1, turn the work, in last st made from prev rnd – 1sc, ch1, 1sc; (now continue along the top edge of the work - ch1, sk 1 st, 1sc in next st until 2sts remain; ch1, sk 1 st make corner in last st - 1sc, ch1, 1sc; continue along the next edge, ch1 then placing 1sc into the top of each row until you reach the bottom of the cloth, ch1; in the base of the 1st hdc, make another corner – 1sc, ch1, 1sc; continue along the bottom edge of the work - ch1, sk 1 st, 1sc in next st until 2sts remain; ch1, sk 1 st, make corner in last st - 1sc, ch1, 1sc; continue along the next edge, ch1 then placing 1sc into the top of each row until you reach the top of the cloth, ch1; finish by either slip stitching in 1st sc of rnd or making a sewn bind off.

Simple Half Double Crochet Dish Cloth – Version 2 – Corner To Corner

Instructions

Use the chart below to keep track of the number of stitches and increases per row.
ch2s are used at the start of each row, these do not count as a stitch, nor are they ever worked into.

Row 1: ch3, 4hdc into back ridge of 1st ch

Row 2: ch2, 2hdc into 1st st; working in the back loops only – 1hdc into each of the next 2sts; working through both loops of the last st – 2hdc.

Row 3: ch2, 2hdc into 1st st; working in the back loops only – 1hdc into each st until 1 st remains; working through both loops of the last st – 2hdc.

Row 4: ch2, 2hdc into 1st st; working in the back loops only – 1hdc into each st until 2 sts remain; working through both loops of the next st – 2hdc; working through both loops of the last st – 2hdc.

Rows 5-13: as rows 2-4. You should have 32 sts.

Now start decreasing. Place a stitch marker in the 1st & last st of the row just made to help identify these corners later when making the border.

Row 14: ch2, across the next 2 sts - hdc2tog; working in the back loops only – 1hdc into each st until 2 sts remain; hdc2tog across the last 2 sts.

Row 15: ch2, across the next 2 sts - hdc2tog; working in the back loops only – 1hdc into each st until 2 sts remain; hdc2tog across the last 2 sts.

Row 16: ch2, across the next 2 sts - hdc2tog; working in the back loops only – 1hdc into each st until 4 sts remain; hdc2tog across the next 2 sts; hdc2tog across the last 2 sts.

Rows 17- 26: As rows 16-16

Row 27: ch1, sc2tog **DO NOT FASTEN OFF.**

Row #	Stitch Count (no. of increases made)	Row #	Stitch Count (no. of decreases made)
1	4 (+4)	14	30 (-2)
2	6 (+2)	15	28 (-2)
3	8 (+2)	16	25 (-3)
4	11 (+3)	17	23 (-2)
5	13 (+2)	18	21 (-2)
6	15 (+2)	19	18 (-3)
7	18 (+3)	20	16 (-2)
8	20 (+2)	21	14 (-2)
9	22 (+2)	22	11 (-3)
10	25 (+3)	23	9 (-2)
11	27 (+2)	24	7 (-2)
12	29 (+2)	25	4 (-3)
13	32 (+3)	26	2 (-2)

Border

Ch1, turn the work, in last st made from prev rnd – 1sc, ch1, 1sc; ch1 (*now continue along the edge of the fabric, placing 1sc into the top of each row and then making 1 ch; when you reach the next corner, remove stitch marker & make 1sc, ch1, 1sc; continue along the next edge, placing 1sc into the top of each row and then making 1 ch*; in the starting corner – 1sc, ch1, 1sc; repeat from * to * once more; finish by either slip stitching in 1st sc of rnd or making a sewn bind off.

Thank you for trying out my pattern!

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