



Sunny Days Crunch Stitch Washcloth

Summary:

This dishcloth is worked using the intricate looking crunch stitch. Yet, it is actually super easy to do because it requires only the slip stitch & the half double crochet to create a fabulous texture that is great for scrubbing & washing. Plus, it's extra-large!

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Difficulty level: Level 1 - Beginner

Finished Dimensions (in inches):

10.5 (W) x 10.5 (L)

Gauge: 13 stitches and 14 rows = 4-inches in single crochet

- 8 stitches and 18 rows = 4-inches in crunch stitch

Materials:

- Medium 4, 100% cotton

~ In this pattern I used 1 skein of Lily Sugar N' Cream, colorway Yellow, 4oz/113g 200yds/184m per skein.

~ Total yardage: 50 to 100 yds

- Crochet Hook size H/8-5.00mm
- Scissors
- Tapestry needle
- Blocking materials (Optional) - I used straight pins, foam mat, & spray bottle filled with water.

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Abbreviations:

*Pattern is written in US terms. *Click on abbreviation names for tutorials*

Hook (hk)

Stitch/es (st/sts)



Chain stitch (ch/chs)

Slip-stitch (slp-st)

Single crochet (sc)

Half-double crochet (hdc)


* __* – Repeat indicated instructions

Special Stitches:

Crunch Stitch – alternating slp sts and hdc sts by slp stitching into hdc sts and working hdc sts into slp sts.

Additional Notes:

- **Read all pattern notes, instructions, and other provided details carefully before starting the project to make sure you understand everything. It could save you hours & a lot of headaches!**
- Make a swatch that measures at least 10 x 10 cm / 4 x 4 inches using the stitch provided under the Gauge Section. If your swatch matches the gauge, then you are all set to start the project. If the gauge is wrong, you might need to change your crochet hook - increase your hook size if your stitches are smaller & decrease your hook size if your stitches are larger.
- All measurements given are unblocked.
- Provided measurements are as exact as possible, but are given as approximates. This is because yarn variances, crochet tension, & individual technique might give variations in the result, which changes from person to person.

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- This pattern can be made to any size by adjusting the number of chains in the foundation row, just be sure to always alternate slp sts with hdc sts for row 1 and then always slp st into an hdc and hdc into a slp st for all rows thereafter to create the crunch stitch pattern.
 - Be aware that 100% cotton yarn may have some shrinkage.

Instructions:

Ch 34

Row 1: Slp st into 3rd ch from hk (does not count as a st), hdc in next ch, *slp st in next st, hdc in next st* to end. (32 sts)

- Should end with an hdc

Row 2: Ch 1, turn work, slp st into 1st st (should be a hdc), hdc in next st (should be a slp st), hdc in next st* to end, . (32 sts)

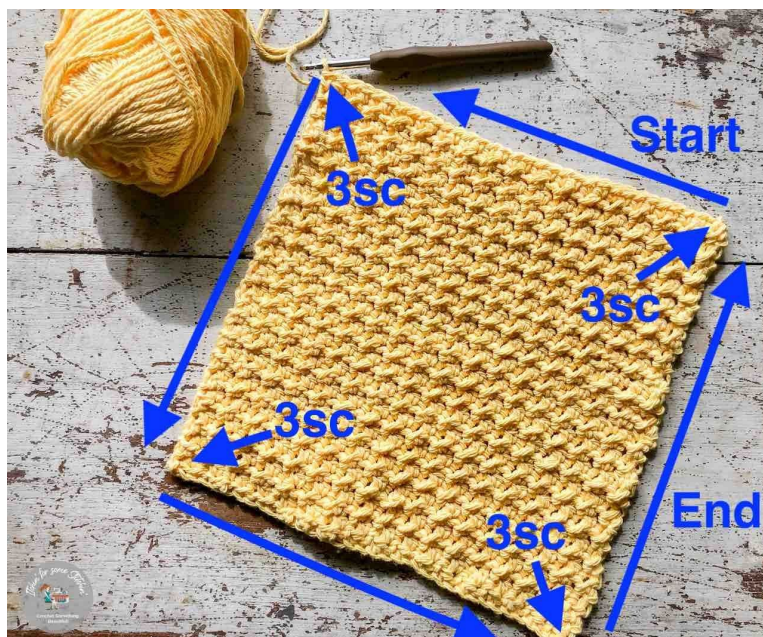
- Should end with working an hdc into the top ch of the turning ch from previous row

Row 3: Ch 1, turn work, slp st into the 1st st (should be a hdc), *slp st into the next st (should be an hdc), hdc into the next st* to end. (32 sts)

- Should end with working an hdc into the top ch of the turning ch from previous row

Rows 4-41: Repeat rows 2 and 3.

Row 42: Ch 1, turn work, work 3 sc into the 1st corner, work 1 sc into the next st and in each sts across to end. Do NOT turn work, but rotate it so you are crocheting down the side of and then around the dishcloth working 3 sc into each corner st. Slp st to close.



Rows 43-44: Ch 1, turn work, sc in each st around, slp st to close.

Bind Off and Weave in Ends.

Blocking (Optional):

- Block using your favorite method or follow the instructions below.

Step 1. Lay the dishcloth flat on a foam mat & shape it into a square

Step 2. Use straight pins to pin along the edges & corners of the dishcloth

Step 3. Spray the dishcloth until damp with water

Step 4: Let sit for 24 hours

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