



Looped and Knotted

Double Crochet (dc)

A tall, graceful stitch that builds your fabric quickly!

What Is a Double Crochet?

The double crochet (dc) is a tall, versatile stitch. It works up quickly and creates a lovely drape—perfect for shawls, blankets, scarves, and wearables.

Abbreviation:

dc = double crochet

Common in patterns like:

“dc in each st across”

“2 dc in next st”

What You'll Need:

- Worsted weight yarn
- 5.0 mm (H-8) crochet hook
- Yarn needle and scissors

Step-by-Step: How to Double Crochet

Step 1: Yarn Over (yo)

Wrap yarn from back to front over your hook.

Step 2: Insert Hook

Place your hook into the stitch (or chain) you're working into.

Step 3: Yarn Over Again

Wrap yarn over hook again and pull through the stitch.

You should now have 3 loops on your hook.

Step 4: Yarn Over

Wrap yarn again and pull through the first 2 loops.

Now you have 2 loops on your hook.

Step 5: Yarn Over One More Time

Pull through the remaining 2 loops.

That's your double crochet stitch!

Turning Chain Tip

At the end of a row, you'll:

- Ch 3 (this acts as the turning chain)
- Turn your work
- Some patterns count this chain as a stitch—others don't (always check!)

Visual Placement Reminder

Here's what to watch for:

- Insert hook under both loops at the top of the stitch unless otherwise noted
- Count your stitches to stay on track (your turning chain may or may not count)

Practice Pattern: dc Row Swatch

Ch 16

Row 1: Dc in 4th ch from hook and in each ch across. (14 dc)

Row 2–6: Ch 3, turn. Dc in each st across. (14 dc)

Fasten off, weave in ends.

👉 Great as a coaster or gauge swatch!

💖 Encouragement:

The double crochet stitch might feel loose at first, but that's its superpower! It gives your fabric height, softness, and flow. With a little practice, it'll be second nature.

You're doing beautifully. 🌸