



Looped and Knotted

Quick Blocking Tips

Give your crochet that finished, professional look.

What is Blocking?

Blocking is a way to shape and smooth your finished project using moisture and gentle tension. It helps stitches relax, edges lie flat, and projects hold their intended shape.

When Should You Block?

- After completing a scarf, towel, blanket, or swatch
- Before seaming pieces together
- Anytime your project looks wavy, uneven, or curled

Types of Blocking:

- **Wet Blocking** (Best for natural fibers like wool or cotton)

Soak your piece in cool water until fully saturated

Gently squeeze out water (don't wring!)

Lay flat on a towel, shape it, and pin if needed

Let dry completely

- **Steam Blocking** (Quick and effective for acrylic)

Lay item flat and shape it

Hover a steamer or steam iron above the fabric (don't touch it!)

Steam lightly and let dry flat

- **Spray Blocking**

Pin your piece into shape on a foam mat or towel

Spray with water until damp

Let dry in place

Tools You'll Need:

- Towel or foam mat
- Rustproof pins or blocking wires
- Spray bottle or steamer
- Measuring tape (optional)

Quick Tips for Beginners:

Don't skip blocking for lacy or open stitches

Always check yarn label care instructions before blocking

Use lots of pins for clean edges

Practice on swatches to get comfortable!

“Blocking turns ‘handmade’ into ‘hand-finished.’ It’s the magic step.”