



sunflower cottage
crochet



Brick by Brick Bonding Square and Washcloth

A Sunflower Cottage Crochet Pattern

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Pattern Specifics:

Materials:

- #4 weight yarn of your choosing – 40 or 65 yards depending on size you are making.
- Stitch markers (optional)
- 5mm hook
- Scissors
- Tapestry needle
- Measuring Tape

Gauge:

7 sts and 5 rows of pattern per 2"

Sizing:

This pattern is written for 2 sizes :

- bonding square (5" x 5")
- Washcloth (7" x 7")

Abbreviations used:

- CH(s) - chain(s)
- St(s) - stitch(es)

- Sp(s) - space(s)
- Rep - repeat
- SC - single crochet
- DC - double crochet
- Alt DC - alternate double crochet
- FPDC - front post double crochet
- FDC - foundation double crochet
- SS - slip stitch
- YO - yarn over
- FO - fasten off

Pattern Notes:

- Written in US Terms
- CH1 stitches at the beginning of each row **do not** count as a st unless otherwise stated.
- Instead of working an alt dc you could CH3 stitches at the beginning of each row which **DO** count as stitches.
- Stitch multiple is 4+2 if chaining to start and 4+3 for a foundation row start.
- The stitch count remains the same for each row. They are given at the ends of row 1 and 2 when each round repeat maintains the same stitch count.
- Where pattern is different per size this will be shown as bonding square (washcloth) e.g. ch 19 (23)

- You may find it easier to highlight or mark the stitch counts you need where these differ between sizes.
- Please read the pattern and ensure you are comfortable with it before starting your project.
- You may end on any row before starting the border but will get a better finish if you can end with a repeat of row 2 or 4.

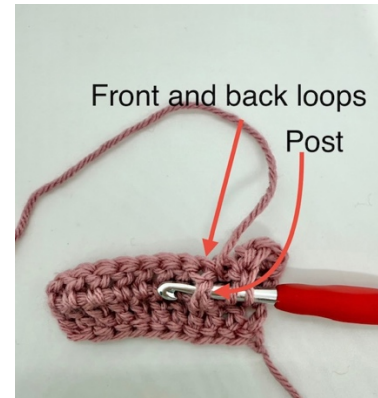
Special stitches:

FDC (foundation double crochet) - This is an alternative to the chain start. I have both left and right handed video tutorials on how to do this on YouTube:

- For right-handed crocheters - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wPHOG4Vli_Q&t=191s
- For left-handed crocheters – <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UqkTFzCja-A&t=24s>

Front Post Double Crochet: This is worked the same as a double crochet but it is where you insert your hook to anchor your work to the row below that creates the difference.

YO, insert your hook around the next stitch (from the front to the back and back out of the front of the post of that stitch – see photo below), YO and pull through, YO and pull through 2 loops on your hook, YO and pull through last 2 loops on your hook.



Alternate Double Crochet: This is an alternative to the CH3 start to the row and helps to minimize any gaps at the beginning of your rows. To work an alt dc: [sc, ch2] into the first st of the row.



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Row 1: CH 17 (25), DC in fourth ch from hook and each CH across.

OR

FDC 15 (23)

Row 2: Turn, Alt DC, DC in next 2 sts, *FPDC around the next st, DC in next 3 sts* Rep from * to * across. (15 (23))

Row 3: Turn, Alt DC, DC in each st across.

Row 4: Turn, Alt DC, FPDC in next st, *DC in next 3 sts, FPDC in next st* Rep from * to * across until you have 1 st remaining. DC in last st.

Row 5: Rep row 3.

Note: to continue the pattern follow the repeat as described for your project below.

For the Bonding Square:

Rows 6 - 9: Rep rows 2-5 once more.

Row 10: Rep row 2.

Do not FO and continue onto the border instructions.

For the washcloth:

Rows 6 on: Repeat rows 2-5 until your project is square (i.e. the same height as it is wide).

Remember - You may end on any row before starting the border but will get a better finish if you can end with a repeat of row 2 or 4.

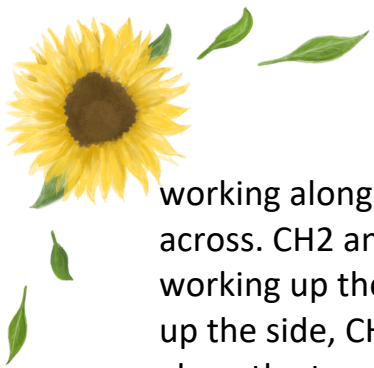
Do not FO. Continue onto the border.

Border:

For this we will be working in rounds.

You can work the border with right or wrong sides facing you. If you have the wrong side there is a little more texture on the right side. This is personal preference and you may want to try it both ways to decide which you prefer. I worked my version with the right side facing me.

Round 1: Turn your work 90 degrees so you are working down the side of your project. SC 15 (23) sts evenly down the side, CH2, turn your work 90 degrees so you are



working along the bottom of your project, SC in each st across. CH2 and turn your work 90 degrees so you are working up the side of your project, SC 15 (23) sts evenly up the side, CH2 and turn your work so you are working along the top of your project. SC in each st across. Turn your work 90 degrees. CH2, SS to first SC to join.

Round 2: Ch1, *SC in each st to the CH2 sp. [SC, CH2, SC] in the CH2 sp, turn your work so you are working along the next side*. Rep from * to * 3 more times. SS to top of first SC to join.

Note: if you want a chunkier border repeat round 2 as many times as you prefer.

FO and weave in ends.

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