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The single crochet stitch (sc) is the foundation of crochet. Once you've mastered it, you'll be ready to learn taller stitches like half double crochet (hdc) and double crochet (dc). With a bit of practice, you'll use this simple yet versatile stitch in nearly every crochet project.

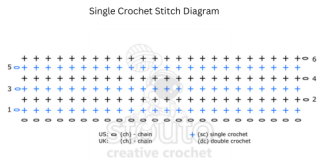
Single Crochet Stitch (SC) — Step-by-Step Guide for Beginners

The single crochet stitch (SC) is one of the most essential and beginner-friendly stitches in crochet. It creates a tight, dense fabric that's perfect for projects like washcloths, amigurumi, bags, or any pattern that needs structure and durability. If you're new to crochet, learning the SC stitch is the best place to start!

What Is a Single Crochet Stitch?

The single crochet stitch (abbreviated sc) is the shortest and most compact of all the basic crochet stitches. It's used in countless crochet patterns and provides a clean, uniform texture. Because of its firmness, it's also a favorite stitch for crochet toys and accessories that need shape. In UK crochet terms, the single crochet stitch is known as a double crochet (dc) stitch.

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Abbreviation

Crochet Stitch Method

1. Insert hook into the next stitch.
2. Yarn over and pull up a loop (2 loops on hook).
3. Yarn over and pull through both loops. → 1 sc complete.



Step by Step

Step-by-Step Instructions (US Terms)

Follow these easy steps to make a single crochet stitch:

1. Insert your hook into the indicated stitch.
2. Yarn over (yo) — wrap the yarn over your hook from back to front.
3. Pull up a loop — you'll now have two loops on your hook.
4. Yarn over again and pull through both loops on your hook.
5. You've made one single crochet stitch!

Repeat steps 1–4 across the row, then turn your work to begin the next row.

Crochet Stitch Practice Example

Practice Row Example

To practice the SC stitch, try this short sample:

1. Chain 12 (this is your **foundation chain**).
2. Insert your hook into the second chain from the hook and make one single crochet.
3. Continue making single crochet stitches across the row (you'll have 11 stitches).
4. Chain 1 and turn your work to start a new row. Continue repeating this process to build a small swatch of single crochet stitches.

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