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Beginner's Guide to the Crossed Double Crochet Stitch

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Abbreviation

Crochet Stitch Method

Skip one stitch, dc, then dc in skipped stitch.



Step by Step

Step-by-Step Instructions (US Terms – 2x Crossed Double Crochet)

The basic Crossed Double Crochet (2x) uses two stitches and forms a simple, elegant X pattern.

1. Skip 1 stitch, and work 1 DC into the next stitch.
2. Yarn over, then go back to the skipped stitch.
3. Insert the hook into that skipped stitch and work 1 DC.
4. Continue this pattern across the row: skip 1, DC in next, DC in skipped stitch.

This creates a beautiful, crisscrossed texture that's ideal for borders or all-over patterns.



3x Crossed Double Crochet Stitch (Double Crossed DC)

This version crosses over three stitches and produces a slightly wider, more decorative X pattern.

1. Skip 2 stitches, work 1 DC in the next stitch.
2. Work 1 DC in the following stitch (you'll have two DCs side by side).
3. Yarn over, then go back to the first skipped stitch, and make 1 DC.
4. Continue: skip 2, 2 DC, 1 DC in skipped stitch.

The 3x Crossed DC gives a more open, lacy texture, perfect for shawls and airy blanket patterns.

4x Crossed Double Crochet Stitch (Triple Crossed DC)

The Triple Crossed DC crosses over four stitches for a bold, dramatic X shape.

1. Skip 3 stitches, and work 1 DC in each of the next 2 or 3 stitches (depending on width).
2. Yarn over, then go back to the first skipped stitch and work 1 DC.
3. Continue: skip 3, DC in next 2 or 3, DC in first skipped stitch.

This variation creates strong diagonal texture lines, stunning for afghans or statement scarf panels.

UK Equivalent Instructions

For UK terminology, replace all double crochet (DC) stitches with treble crochet (TR).

So, a Crossed Double Crochet (US) becomes a Crossed Treble Crochet (UK), worked exactly the same way, just with a taller stitch.

Beginner Crochet Tips

- Chain evenly: Make sure your foundation chain has an even stitch count for symmetry.
- Keep tension even: Loose tension helps the stitches cross smoothly.
- Mark stitch groups: Use a stitch marker to mark every few repeats to avoid confusion.
- Practice first: Try the 2x version before moving to 3x or 4x variations.
- Highlight with color: Try two-row color changes to make the crossed pattern stand out!

Common Mistakes to Avoid

- Skipping the wrong stitch (can offset your whole row).
- Tension too tight, making it hard to insert the hook into skipped stitches.
- Forgetting a skipped stitch, which causes uneven spacing.
- Miscounting stitches, especially in 3x and 4x variations.

Double-check your count after each row to keep your X's aligned.

Common Uses for the Crossed Double Crochet Stitch

The Crossed DC Stitch works beautifully in both classic and modern designs. Try it in:

- Textured blankets and throws
- Scarves and cowls
- Sweater panels and cardigans
- Decorative borders or edging
- Dishcloths or table runners

It pairs wonderfully with smooth stitches like half double crochet or moss stitch for contrast.



Crochet Stitch Practice Example

Practice Swatch Exercise

Try a small swatch to get comfortable with your crossings:

1. Foundation Row: Chain 20 + 3 (counts as first DC).
2. Row 1: Work a basic row of DC.
3. Row 2: Begin your 2x Crossed DC pattern across the row.
4. Row 3: Try 3x Crossed DC for variety.
5. Row 4: Practice 4x Crossed DC to see the difference in spacing.
6. Repeat for 3–4 rows each to compare how each variation changes the texture.

Pro Tip: Use a light-colored yarn to easily see your crossings and correct skipped stitches.

The Crossed Double Crochet Stitch is a versatile, textured stitch that instantly adds depth and sophistication to your crochet work.

Whether you prefer the simple 2x Crossed DC, the airy 3x version, or the bold 4x variation, this stitch gives your projects dynamic movement and structure. With just a little practice, you'll be crossing your stitches like a pro and creating blankets, scarves, and garments with stunning, woven-like texture!

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