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The Herringbone Double Crochet (HbDC) Stitch is a versatile and striking crochet stitch that creates a dense, textured fabric with a subtle diagonal pattern, resembling a herringbone weave. It's perfect for blankets, scarves, bags, and garments that need both structure and softness.

This stitch is slightly taller than a regular double crochet but shorter than a treble, making it ideal for projects where you want a firm but flexible fabric. Its distinctive diagonal lines give projects a modern, elegant look, making the HbDC Stitch a favorite among crocheters of all skill levels.

Beginner's Guide to the Herringbone Double Crochet (HbDC) Stitch

The Herringbone Double Crochet stitch is the perfect next step for beginners looking to expand their stitch skills. Its clean lines and subtle texture bring a modern twist to any project and once you learn it, you'll find yourself using it again and again.

What Is the Herringbone Double Crochet Stitch?

The Herringbone Double Crochet creates a subtle zig-zag texture that resembles woven fabric. Each stitch slightly leans to one side, giving your crochet projects a unique, sophisticated finish.
This stitch is ideal for blankets, cardigans, and home décor pieces where you want texture without bulk.

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Abbreviation



Step by Step

Step-by-Step: How to Crochet the Herringbone Double Crochet Stitch (US Terms)

Foundation Row:
Chain your desired number of stitches (any multiple works).

1. Yarn over, insert your hook into the next stitch.
2. Yarn over again and pull through both the stitch and the first loop on your hook.
3. Yarn over, pull through one loop (two loops remain).
4. Yarn over once more, pull through both remaining loops to complete the stitch.

Repeat these steps across your row.
When you turn your work, chain 2 (counts as your first HbDC) and continue stitching into each stitch across.

UK Equivalent

In UK terms:

US Double Crochet (DC) → UK Treble (TR)
US Herringbone Double Crochet (HbDC) → UK Herringbone Treble (HbTR)

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Crochet Stitch Practice Example

Practice Swatch Exercise

1. Chain 15–20 stitches to start.
2. Work the first row of Herringbone DC as described.
3. Repeat for 6–8 rows to practice consistent loops and tension.
4. Observe the diagonal lines forming, these create the signature herringbone texture.

The Herringbone Double Crochet Stitch is a stylish, textured stitch that produces a dense, diagonal-patterned fabric. It's perfect for a wide variety of projects, from cozy blankets to structured garments and accessories. With practice, the rhythmic partial stitches become second nature, and you can create professional-looking, elegant crochet pieces that showcase both skill and style.

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