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Beginner’s Guide to the Basketweave Stitch

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This stitch gives your crochet work a rich, three-dimensional feel perfect for blankets, scarves, dishcloths, and textured garments. Despite its intricate appearance, it’s easy to master once you understand how to alternate front and back post stitches.

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What Is the Basketweave Stitch?

The Basketweave Stitch is a textured pattern created by alternating sets of Front Post Double Crochets (FPdc) and Back Post Double Crochets (BPdc) over a few stitches. These stitches form raised and recessed blocks that resemble woven

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basket panels.

In UK crochet terms, this stitch is made using Front Post Treble (FPtr) and Back Post Treble (BPtr) stitches.

The pattern is typically worked in multiples of 6 + 2 stitches, making it easy to adjust for any project size. Once you get into the rhythm of switching between FPdc and BPdc, the stitch works up quickly and evenly.

Abbreviation



Step by Step

Step-by-Step Instructions (US Terms)

US Abbreviations: FPdc = Front Post Double Crochet, BPdc = Back Post Double Crochet
UK Abbreviations: FPtr = Front Post Treble Crochet, BPtr = Back Post Treble Crochet

Foundation Row:
Chain a multiple of 6 + 2 for your desired width.
For practice, try chaining 26.

Row 1:
Double crochet (dc) into the 3rd chain from the hook and in each chain across. Turn.

Row 2 (Front Block Rows):
Chain 2 (counts as first dc).
Work FPdc around the next 3 stitches, then BPdc around the next 3 stitches.
Repeat from to across. End with a dc in the top of the turning chain. Turn.

Row 3:
Chain 2, repeat Row 2. Turn.

Row 4 (Back Block Rows):
Chain 2.
Work BPdc around the next 3 stitches, then FPdc around the next 3 stitches.
Repeat from to across. End with a dc in the top of the turning chain. Turn.

Row 5:
Repeat Row 4. Turn.

Continue alternating between two rows of front block pattern and two rows of back block pattern to create the woven texture.

Crochet Stitch Practice Example

Practice Row Example

Try this easy sample for a small swatch:

1. Chain 26.
2. Row 1: 1 dc in 3rd chain from hook, dc across. Turn.
3. Row 2–3: Chain 2, 3 FPdc, 3 BPdc, repeat across. Turn.
4. Row 4–5: Chain 2, 3 BPdc, 3 FPdc, repeat across. Turn.
5. Repeat Rows 2–5 until you reach the desired size.

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You'll see the woven squares start to appear as you alternate your rows!

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