BERNAT®
HANDICRAFTER COTTON

DISHCLOTH
(TO CROCHET)

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MEASUREMENTS

Approx 9 ins [23 cm] square.

MATERIALS

Bernat® Handicrafter Cotton (50 g/1.75 oz)

Summer Splash (23743)	**1**	**ball**
or Playtime (23741)	**1**	**ball**
or Hot Green (13712)	**1**	**ball**
or Hot Orange (13628)	**1**	**ball**

Size 5.5 mm (U.S. I or 9) crochet hook **or size needed to obtain gauge.**

GAUGE

14 sts and 14 rows = 4 ins [10 cm] in pat.

INSTRUCTIONS

Ch 32.

1st row: (RS). 1 sc in 2nd ch from hook. *Ch 1. Miss next ch. 1 sc in next ch. Rep from * to end of ch. Turn. 31 sts.

2nd row: Ch 1. 1 sc in first sc. 1 sc in next ch-1 sp. *Ch 1. Miss next sc. 1 sc in next ch-1 sp. Rep from * to last sc. 1 sc in last sc. Turn.

3rd row: Ch 1. 1 sc in first sc. *Ch 1. Miss next sc. 1 sc in next ch-1 sp. Rep from * to last 2 sc. Ch 1. Miss next sc. 1 sc in last sc. Turn.

Rep last 2 rows until work from beg measures 9 ins [23 cm], ending with RS facing for next row. Ch 8. Sl st in top of last sc (loop). Fasten off.

Gramma's Dishcloth

(A variation of Grandmother's Favorite Dishcloth)

by PJ Allen *(PKJewelry on Ravelry)*

Grandmother's Favorite Dishcloth *(original designer unknown)* is a common pattern among knitters. It is wildly popular as a quick and useful gift, as well as a gateway for non-knitters into the world of knitted goods. I have not knit many of these, although I have knit its close cousin, without the holes. *(Instructions for no holes are in parentheses in the pattern below.)*

The thing that kept stopping me from knitting more of this loved and treasured-by-many dishcloth pattern is a symmetry issue. Starting with a cast-on of 4, then going right into the holes, up to a 44 stitch row, then turning immediately to decrease back to 4 before binding off gave me mismatched corners and angles that were mildly "off"…and I couldn't like it.

Here's my solution. You will notice that it is VERY similar, but also different. Maybe you'll like it too.

The Code:

yo = yarn over

k2tog = knit two stitches together

Kf&b = knit into the front and back of the next stitch

ssk = slip the next two stitches, one at a time, as if to knit, then knit them both together, through the back loop.

The materials:

Worsted weight cotton yarn *(Sugar and Cream used in sample)*, approx. 1 oz.

Knitting needles, size 7 *(or whatever size gives you the size/fabric/drape you like)*

The pattern:

Cast on 3 stitches.

Knit one row.

K1, Kf&b, K1.

K2, yo, knit to end. *(For no holes,*K1, kf&b, knit to end.*)*

Repeat from * to * until there are 45 stitches on your needle.

K2, yo, k2tog, knit to end; repeat this row two more times.
(Knit three rows plain for no holes.)

^K1, ssk, yo, k2tog, knit to end.^ *(For no holes,^K2, k2tog, K to end.^)*

Repeat from ^ to ^ until 5 stitches remain.

K2, k2tog, K1.

K1, k2tog, K1 *(3 stitches remain)*.

Bind off, cut yarn and weave in ends at corners.

Well, there you have it. A simple dishcloth *(or face cloth, or wash cloth)*, based on odd numbers at the beginning, middle and end. Now I can sleep at night. And you? You go find some dishes to wash!

MAKE THIS

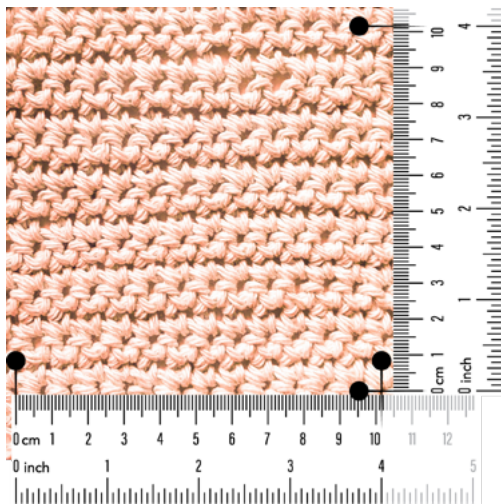# BASIC CROCHET DISHCLOTH

CROCHET | SKILL LEVEL: **BEGINNER**

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

YARN

- **Lily® Sugar'n Cream®**
(Solids: 2.5 oz/70.9 g; 120 yds/109 m)

COLORS

Quantity

VERSION I

- **Main Color (MC)** Tangerine (01699)
1 ball

VERSION II

- **Contrast A** White (00001)
1 ball

- **Contrast B** Rose Pink (00046)
1 ball

- **Contrast C** Tea Rose (00042)
1 ball

TOOLS

- Size U.S. H/8 (5 mm) Susan Bates® Silvalume® crochet hook **or size needed to obtain gauge.**

- Susan Bates® yarn needle.

- Tape measure.

GAUGE

13 **single crochet** (sc) and 14 rows = 4" [10 cm].

INSTRUCTIONS

USING THIS GUIDE

Click on the underlined words throughout the pattern to access our library of helpful tools.
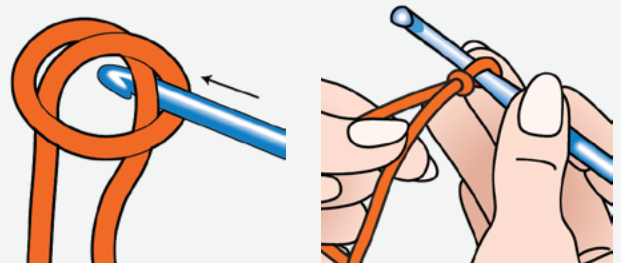
MEASUREMENT

Approximately (approx) 8" [20.5 cm] square.

Version I:
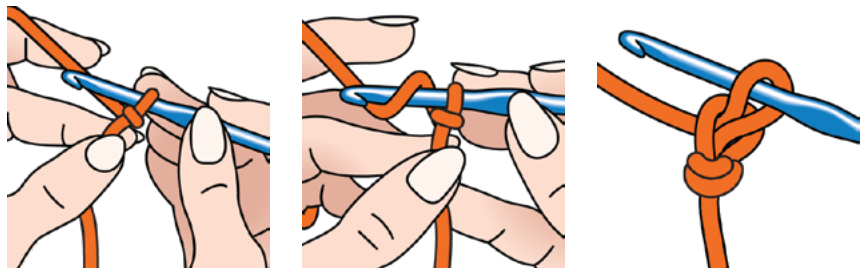With MC, make a slip knot and place it on the hook.

Slip knot
Make a loop with yarn and fold it on itself to make a pretzel shape.
Then draw through to make slip knot.

Chain (ch) 26.

Chain
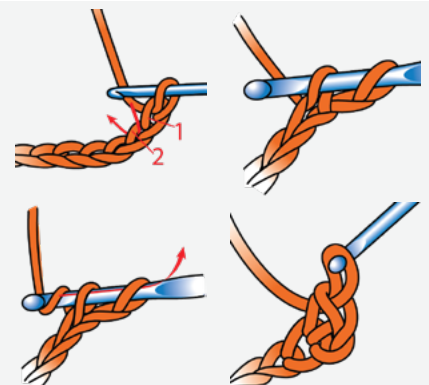**Yarn over hook (Yoh), draw through loop – 1 chain made.*

Repeat (rep) from * 25 times more – 26 chains made.

1st row: 1 single crochet (sc) in 2nd ch from hook. 1 sc in each ch to end of **chain**. Turn.

Single crochet
Insert hook into 2nd ch from hook.
Yoh and draw up a loop.
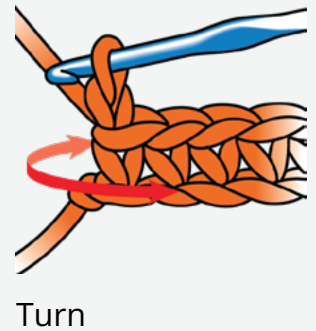*Yoh and draw through both loops on hook – 1 sc made.*

INSTRUCTIONS

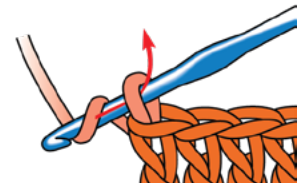Rep last steps in each ch to end of **chain** - 25 sc made. Turn.

Note: There will be 25 sc in 1st row [1st skipped ch does not count as stitch (st)].

2nd row: Ch 1. 1 sc in each sc to end of row. Turn.
Repeat (Rep) last row until work from beginning (beg) measures approx 8" [20.5 cm].

Turn

Fasten off
To fasten off the yarn, cut yarn leaving a long tail. Pull end through loop on hook and pull gently to tighten.

Weave in all yarn tails.

Version II: Work as given in Version I in Stripe Pattern (Pat) as follows:

Stripe Pat:
With A: 1 row
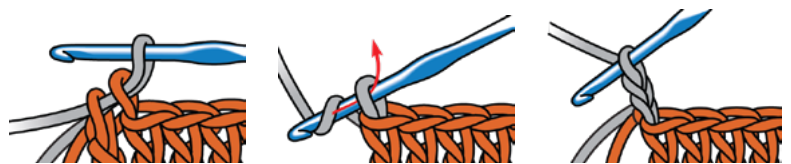**With B:** 3 rows
With A: 5 rows
With C: 3 rows
With A: 4 rows
These 16 rows form Stripe Pat.

Note: To change color, work to last 2 loops on hook and draw new color through last 2 loops, then proceed in new color.

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