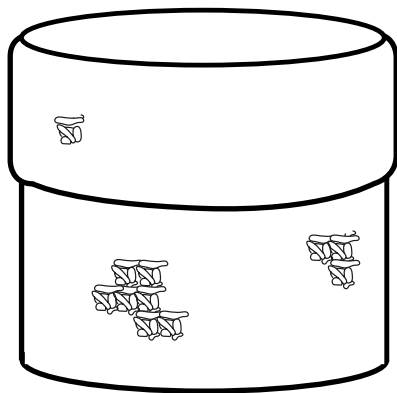


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WONDER
BASKET
INTERMEDIATE
10MM HOOK

YOUR ADVENTURE STARTS NOW



IT'S FUN

Making is the new yoga. Free your mind, the rest will follow. Namaste.

WE'LL BE THERE FOR YOU

Find all the video tutorials you need online.

YOU'RE GOING TO FEEL GOOD

Nothing will make you happier than holding your finished project.

RECIPE FOR SUCCESS

1

GET YOUR TOOLS READY.

Everything you need to get making.

2

FAMILIARISE YOURSELF WITH THE TECHNIQUES.

Everything from the stitches used to the finishing touches for your project.

3

GET TO KNOW YOUR YARN.

Before you start your piece, play around with your new yarn to get used to it, and to check your tension.

4

WOOL SCHOOL

Pick up your needles & yarn and make the magic happen! For a little extra help, check out our Wool School at:

www.woolandthegang.com/t/how-to

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When you're done - let the world know.

LET'S GET CROCHETING

Tool kit

2 cones of WATG's Jersey Be Good in colour A

2 cones of WATG's Jersey Be Good in colour B

1 Wonder Basket pattern

1 10mm crochet hook

1 sewing needle

Tension

To ensure your crochet project has the same measurements as the pattern, it is a good idea to make a tension swatch before you start. A tension swatch is a small sample of crochet where you count the stitches and rows and check them against the tension given in the pattern. If you get MORE stitches/rows than the pattern's tension, it means your crochet is TIGHTER. If you get FEWER stitches/rows than the pattern, your crochet is LOOSER. Sometimes, it works to crochet tighter or looser to compensate.

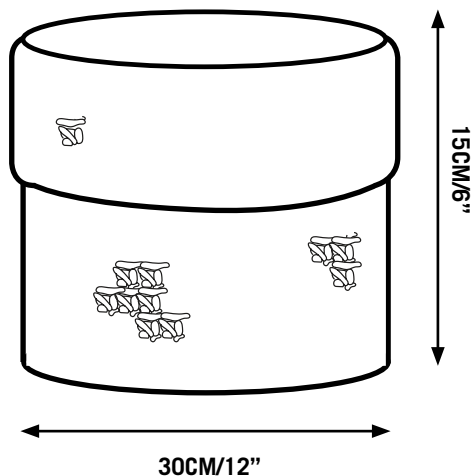
Single crochet

10cm/4" = 8 stitches

10cm/4" = 9 rows

All crochet techniques can be found at the back of the pattern.

MEASUREMENTS



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HOW TO CROCHET YOUR WONDER BASKET

This basket is made as a single piece from the bottom up. It's worked in the round - so there are no pesky seams!

- 1 Using colour A, start by creating a magic loop and working 6 stitches in single crochet around it. Join the round by making a slip stitch into the first stitch.

- 2 Start your round by making 1 chain stitch, then place your marker. Work 2 single crochet stitches into each of the stitches of your round, then join the round by working a slip stitch into the first stitch. There are now 12 stitches in the last round worked.

- 3 Make 1 chain stitch, then place your marker. ★Work 2 single crochet stitches in the next stitch, then work 1 single crochet stitch into the next.★ Repeat the section inside the stars to the end of the round. Join the round by making a slip stitch. (18 stitches.)

- 4 Make 1 chain stitch, then place your marker. ★Work 2 single crochet stitches in the next stitch, then work 1 single crochet stitch into each of the next 2 stitches.★ Repeat the section inside the stars to the end of the round. Join the round by making a slip stitch. (24 stitches.)

- 5 Make 1 chain stitch, then place your marker. ★Work 2 single crochet stitches in the next stitch, then work 1 single crochet stitch into each of the next 3 stitches.★ Repeat the section inside the stars to the end of the round. Join the round by making a slip stitch. (30 stitches.)

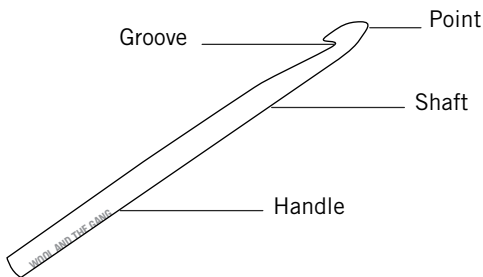
- 6** Make 1 chain stitch, then place your marker. ★Work 2 single crochet stitches in the next stitch, then work 1 single crochet stitch into each of the next 4 stitches.★ Repeat the section inside the stars to the end of the round. Join the round by making a slip stitch. (36 stitches.)
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- 7** Make 1 chain stitch, then place your marker. ★Work 2 single crochet stitches in the next stitch, then work 1 single crochet stitch into each of the next 5 stitches.★ Repeat the section inside the stars to the end of the round. Join the round by making a slip stitch. (42 stitches.)
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- 8** Make 1 chain stitch, then place your marker. ★Work 2 single crochet stitches in the next stitch, then work 1 single crochet stitch into each of the next 6 stitches.★ Repeat the section inside the stars to the end of the round. Join the round by making a slip stitch. (48 stitches.)
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- 9** Make 1 chain stitch, then place your marker. ★Work 2 single crochet stitches in the next stitch, then work 1 single crochet stitch into each of the next 7 stitches.★ Repeat the section inside the stars to the end of the round. Join the round by making a slip stitch. (54 stitches.)
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- 10** Make 1 chain stitch, then place your marker. Work 1 single crochet in every stitch around. The base of your basket is now complete and you will continue to work upwards, forming the body of your basket.
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- 11** Make 1 chain stitch, then place your marker. Work 1 single crochet in every stitch around. Join the round by making a slip stitch.
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- 12** Repeat step 11 until your basket measures 7cm/2.75" from the base.
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- 13** Cut colour A and change to colour B. Repeat step 12 until your basket measures 21cm/8" from the base.
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- 14** Cut the yarn approx. 15cm/6" from the last stitch. Pull on the loop on your crochet hook until the end pops through - you have now secured the last stitch. Finish off by hiding your loose yarn ends.
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- 15** Fold down the brim of your basket.

CROCHET TECHNIQUES

Crochet hook

The crochet hook is your tool on the path to greatness! Your pattern may refer to different parts of the crochet hook - here is an illustration to help you understand it all a little better.



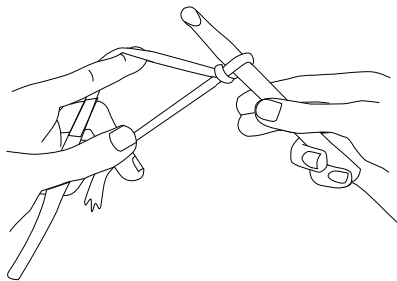
Magic loop

This technique is used for starting off a circular piece. You start by making a loop with your yarn, and then create your first round of stitches by working into this loop.

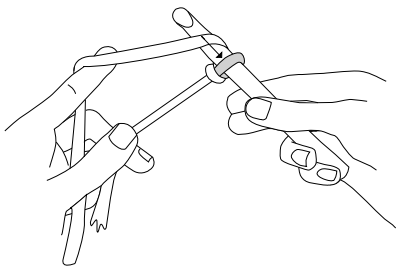
1. With the tail of the yarn in the palm of your left hand, form a ring by looping the yarn around your index and middle fingers. The working yarn is now on the right.
2. Hold the point where the loop overlaps so it doesn't come undone. Insert your crochet hook into the magic loop from front to back. Loop the yarn around the groove of your hook and pull it through.
3. Make one chain stitch.
4. Insert your hook into the ring, loop the yarn and pull through. There are now two loops on your crochet hook. Loop the yarn again, and pull it through the two loops already on the hook. You have now made your first single crochet stitch.
5. Repeat step 4 until you have made the number of stitches indicated by your pattern.
6. Pull on the tail end of your yarn to close up the hole in the centre of the work - magic!

Chain stitch

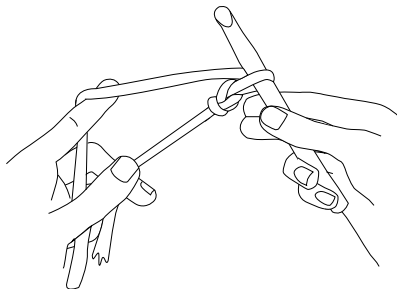
This is the foundation of most crochet work and can also be used as a technique on its own.



1. Make a slipknot and place it on the shaft of your crochet hook. Hold the hook in your right hand and the yarn in your left hand.

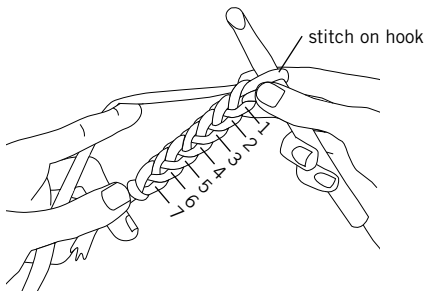


2. Move the point of the crochet hook **UNDER** the yarn from left to right, then move it **OVER** the yarn from right to left. The yarn is now looped around your crochet hook.



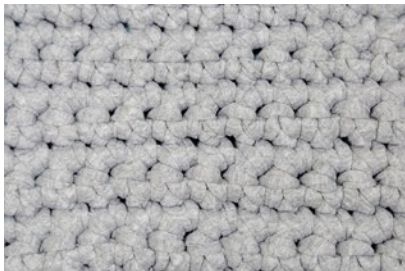
3. Scoop up the yarn with the groove of the hook, and pull it through the loop already on your hook. Slide the new stitch towards the shaft of the hook. You've now made one chain stitch.

Repeat steps 2 and 3 to keep creating new stitches. Take care not to pull your stitches too tightly! When counting your stitches, count each of the loops except the one on your hook.

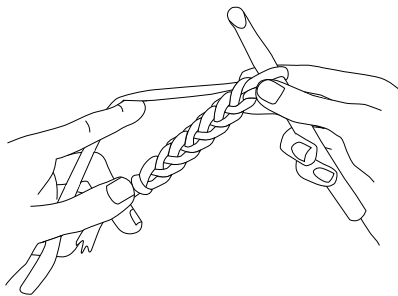


To make a chain stitch in the main body of your piece (for example, to make a turning chain), repeat steps 2 and 3.

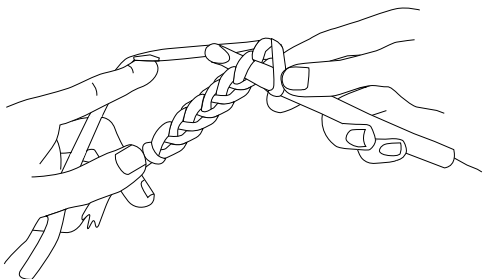
Single crochet



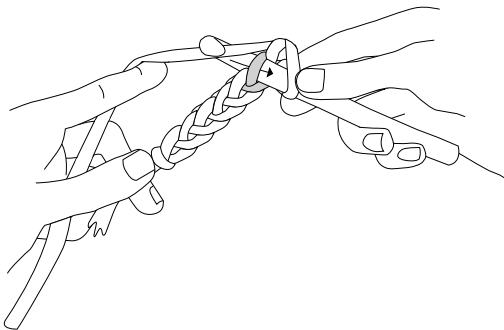
This stitch is one of the most basic crochet stitches. It uses a turning chain of 1 stitch.



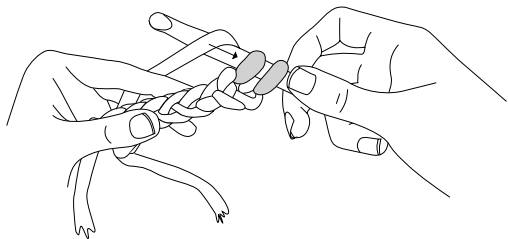
To work into a foundation chain at the beginning of your work, start with your hook in your right hand and the work in the left. Work across your foundation chain from right to left.



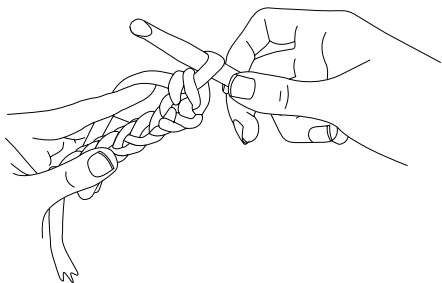
1. Insert your crochet hook into the middle of the second stitch from the hook (not counting the stitch on the hook!).



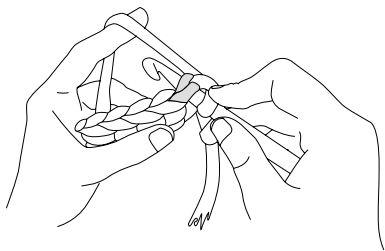
2. Move the hook under and then over the yarn. Scoop the yarn with the groove of your hook, and pull it through the stitch. There are now two loops on your hook.



3. Loop the yarn around the hook again, and pull the yarn through **BOTH** of the loops on your hook. You have now worked one stitch in single crochet, and there's a single stitch on your hook again.



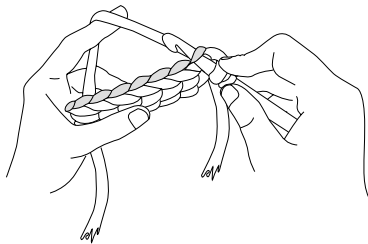
4. To continue working in single crochet, insert the hook into the next stitch of your row and repeat steps 2 and 3.



To work into a stitch that was crocheted on the previous row, insert your crochet hook underneath **both strands** of the sideways 'V' at the top of the next stitch, then repeat steps 2 and 3.

Single crochet through the back of the stitch

This is a decorative technique that adds texture to your crochet. It can also be used to create a fold in your crochet which can be useful for making structural pieces. Start by inserting your crochet hook through the centre of the sideways 'V' at the top of the next stitch and out under the **BACK** strand of the stitch only. Repeat steps 2 and 3 to complete your stitch.



Slip stitch

Insert your crochet hook into the next stitch. Starting with the hook in front of the yarn, move the hook under and then over the yarn, so the yarn ends up looped around the shaft of the hook. Scoop up the yarn with the groove of your hook and pull it through both the stitch and the loop on your hook. You now have a single loop on your hook. You have worked one slip stitch.

Adding a new ball of yarn

To add a new ball of the same colour, start your stitch in the regular way, but stop before working the final wrap-around (for single crochet: insert the hook, loop your yarn, pull the yarn through and then stop!) At this point, loop your new yarn around the hook, leaving a long tail of the new yarn, and pull the new yarn through the remaining two loops to finish the stitch.

To add in a new colour, make the change on the stitch before where you want the colour to change. Start the stitch in the regular way, but stop before working the final wrap-around (for single crochet: insert your hook, loop the yarn, pull the yarn through and then stop!) At this point, loop the new yarn around the hook, leaving a long tail of the new yarn, and pull it through the remaining loops to finish the stitch.

Yarn markers

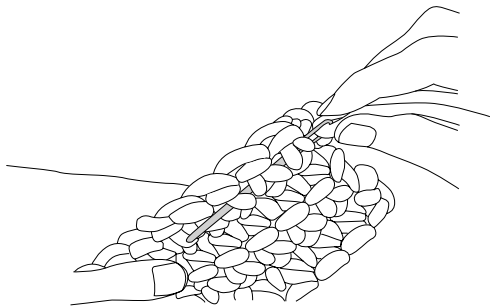
Yarn markers are used to mark specific points in your crochet – they are a great way to let you off the hook when it comes to counting stitches as you work! Instead, you just continue working away until you reach your marker.

To make a yarn marker, take a length of yarn about 10cm/4” long. When the pattern tells you to place your marker, lay it across your work directly in front of your crochet hook. Continue to work the next step of your pattern over the top of the marker to hold it in place. On the next row, when you reach the marker, simply pull it out from the work and place it on your new row.

FINISHING TECHNIQUES

Hiding your yarn ends

To hide the tail of your yarn, turn your work so the wrong side is facing you. Thread your sewing needle with the yarn end, and sew horizontally across your work, inserting needle and yarn underneath the back two strands of your crocheted stitches. Work like this for a few stitches, then move down a row and work back in the opposite direction. Finally, cut the yarn close to the fabric.



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CRAZY SEXY WOOL
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100% Baby Alpaca



WOOL ME TENDER
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98% Cotton
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MIXTAPE YARN
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