

eyeglass case

I'm always tossing my sunglasses directly into my purse or knitting bag because I can't find my case. So I'm making several of these for each bag. Tunisian Crochet is so versatile! With just a few simple modifications, I made cases for my cell phone, credit cards, etc!

DIRECTIONS

Using the package instructions for Tunisian Crochet, work as follows: Chain 28sts with Color A, join in first ch, and place marker in this st. Work in the round until the case is as long as needed for the glasses. Cast off as directed in Steps 10-13.

Fringe Trim (Optional)

The finished fringe is 2" long. Cut each strand 4 1/2". Double the strand, insert hook in vertical bar, pick up loop of strand and pull loop through the bar catch the loose ends and draw them through the strand loop. Give a gentle pull to secure the fringe. Repeat around as many rows as you desire.

crochet hook case

...or Pen Case, Knitting Needle Case... the list could go on and on. This is a basic narrow tube and can be as wide or long as you desire. The following directions are ideal for a writing pen, crochet hooks or double pointed needles. Simply fun and fast!

DIRECTIONS

Using the package instructions for Tunisian Crochet, work as follows: Chain 10 sts, join in first ch, and place marker in this st. Move the marker up each row.

Note: Fran found it much easier to stitch the bottom closed after 4 rows. It gets harder to turn inside out as it grows longer.

Work to the desired length and cast off, instructions Steps 10-13.



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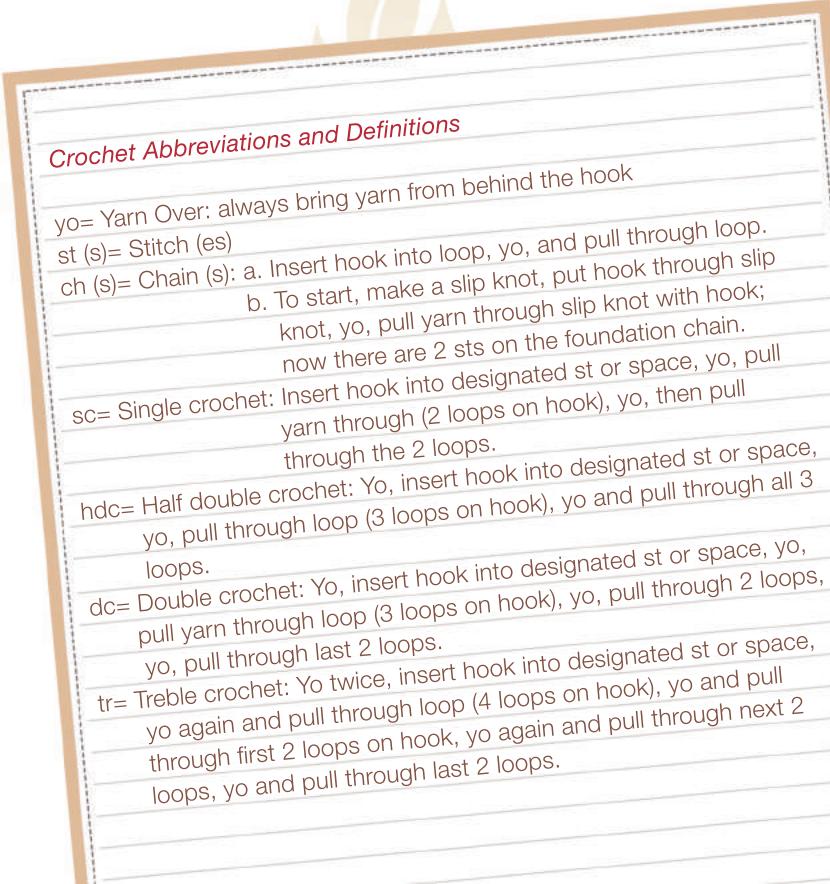
EVERDAY essentials

By Fran Ortmeier

Tunisian crochet is a technique that combines knitting and crochet for a unique look and texture. One double-ended crochet hook and two yarn colors is all you need to get started. When working in the round you create a tube so you can cover any container, or jar. Fran has created these "Everyday Essentials" items to get you started on this quick and easy style of crochet.

Note from Fran: I crochet with a medium tension so all of these patterns are based on my tension. You may want to increase or decrease the number of stitches or change your hook size based on your tension.

Note from Carol: Fran taught me this technique and my first go 'round was very tight! Once I got the "hang" of it I relaxed and my tension did too. I found Fran's patterns to work out fantastically!



SUPPLY REQUIREMENTS

Double Ended Tunisian Crochet Hook Size J Art No. 1308
Locking Ring Marker Art No. 353
Sugar 'n Cream 100% Cotton Yarn 1 skein each 2 colors
Tapestry Needle Art No. 219
Yarn Threader Art No. 3142



DIRECTIONS

Using the package instructions for Tunisian Crochet, work as follows: Chain 25 sts.
Note: to make sure the cozy will fit, wrap the chain around the lower portion of the cup add or decrease the number of sts. if needed. Join in first ch st and place a marker in the st.

Rows 1-4: Pick up and work these rows as instructed in Steps 1-9 on package instructions.
Row 5: Increase one st in the space before the marked stitch.*

- To increase, insert the hook in the space between the two vertical stitches and pull the yarn through. (Left)

Row 6-11: Increase 1 st at marker on each row. 33 total sts. Cast off as directed in Steps 10-13 on the package instructions. Cut the yarn colors A & B and weave the ends in at the top and bottom of the coffee cozy.

Note: This tube is created in a spiral fashion and the finishing round will be slightly higher at the join.



canister cover

Tunisian Crochet creates a tube, so with that in mind, you can cover any round object you wish. Fran covered a straight-sided paper cup and Carol covered a water bottle. Recycle a chip can or tin can to corral all those pens and pencils, or cover a flower vase for a unique centerpiece. Work the base to fit the base of what you are covering; then work up from that point. Simple, quick, and fun!

DIRECTIONS

For the Base: Adjustable Ring Method

- Leaving a tail, wrap the yarn around you first two fingers twice.
- Remove loops from fingers and hold.
- Insert your hook through the center of the ring and draw up a loop. This brings the yarn around the loops of the ring.
- Chain 3 (This acts as the first dc.) and work 11 dc in ring. Join by a slip st in the top of first ch 3.

Note: Check crochet sites on the Web for tutorials.

Row 1: Using the locking ring marker, mark the joining st. Work 2 dc in each dc around the ring (24 sts)

Row 2: Work 1 sc in each st (24 sts)

Row 3: Work 2 sc in each st (48 sts)

Note: This size base was large enough for Fran's cup, working just rows 1 & 2 fit Carol's water bottle. Work as many rounds as you need by repeating rows 2 & 3 until the desired base size is reached.

For Sides:

Pick up stitches as directed for Tunisian Crochet in the package instructions (Step 2) and work in the round to the top of the container.

Scallop Edging

Row 1: Sc with Color A around top edge, join in first sc.

Row 2: Ch 3, *skip 3 sc, sc in next sc, chain 3*, repeat from * to * around.

Note: This spacing may vary due to various sizes of containers.

Row 3: In first eyelet, make sc, hdc, dc, tr, dc, hdc, sc, repeat in each eyelet around the top.

Tie off and weave in all ends. The scallop edging can be turned down or stand up if desired.

