

Friendship Pocket Wrap

Materials List:

3 hanks (290 yards each) Berroco Vintage DK (52% Acrylic, 40% Wool, 8% Nylon)

Size I (5.5 mm) crochet hook

Size J (6.0 mm) crochet hook

Stitch marker - use to mark first st (optional)

Tapestry Needle

Finished Wrap Dimensions:

60" long X 20" wide

Stitches/Abbreviations Used

(blo) back loop only

(ch) chain

(dc) double crochet

(hdc) half double crochet

(sc) single crochet

Special Stitches:

<u>Single crochet 3rd loop:</u> a sc st worked in the horizontal bar of the hdc st in the previous row

Star stitch: (used for rows 7 and 8 and in the body center)

A. At the beginning of the row, you will ch3. This ch3 counts as a hdc st at the beginning of the row. You will work your star stitch beginning in the 2nd ch from the hook. Insert, yarn over and pull up a loop. Repeat process-insert in next ch, pull up a loop. Insert hook into base of ch 3, yarn over and pull up a loop. Insert hook, yarn over and pull up a loop in the next 2 stitches. You will now have 6 loops on your hook. Yarn over and pull through all 6 loops. Ch1 to "close" the stitch.



***Then, you will repeat the process by working down the left side of the stitch you just made, but you will start by inserting your hook into the ch you just made (this is also called the "eye") and draw up your first loop. The next (2nd) loop is worked into the very next stitch along the side, and going under two strands of the previous star stitch, yarn over and pull up your second loop. Then, insert your hook into the base of the previous star stitch (where the last loop was made) and pull up a loop. Insert hook, yarn over and pull up a loop in the next 2 stitches. Yarn over and pull through all 6 loops. Ch 1 to close the stitch. Repeat from *** until you get to the end. Put a hdc in the last stitch of the row.

B. For the next row, I completed it by using HDC stitches. Place a HDC in the first st, then 2HDC in each "eye" that you made in the previous row. 1 HDC in the last st.

<u>Crossed double crochet</u>: After completing the first dc stitch of the row, you will *[skip one st, dc next st. Work dc in skipped stitch]. Repeat from * to the end of the row, placing a dc in the last stitch.

Gauge: 16 stitches in sc = 4 inches

- gauge will vary depending on yarn weight, hook size and tension
- gauge is not essential to this wrap design

Pattern Notes:

- Pattern directions are written using American crochet terminology
- This wrap is worked back and forth in rows
- The ch 1 at the beginning of a row does NOT count as a stitch
- When beginning with a ch at the start of a row, make the chain long enough to comfortably complete the stitch you are trying to make
- Measurements given are to be used as a reference only
- Gauge is not essential
- The RIGHT side of my fabric is worked on ODD rows
- Be conscious of when hook sizes change; star stitch rows are worked with a 6.0mm hook, while the remainder of the wrap is worked with a 5.5mm hook

BEFORE YOU BEGIN: YOUR WRAP

For this design, it is important that you begin with an EVEN number of stitches that extend from fingertip to fingertip (or a bit longer depending on your preference) when each end of the foundation hdc row is held with arms outstretched. I am 5"1" and my stitch count was 186. In retrospect, I wish that I had started with 200 foundation stitches, because the yarn used is a dk weight, this, in combination with my hook size, sprang back on me somewhat. In the end, I chose to add to each end of my rectangle for a bit of added length. If you are taller or shorter than me, your initial stitch count may vary depending on the length that you require.

POCKETS: (Make 2) (If you start with your pockets, then they will be ready to crochet in place when you finish up your wrap.)

- Row 1: With I (5.5 mm) hook, foundation hdc 32.
- Rows 2 19: Ch 1, turn. Hdc in each st across to end. (32)
- **Row 20:** Ch 1, turn. Sc in the 3rd loop of each hdc st made in the previous row. (32)
- **Row 21:** Ch 1, turn. Hdc in each st across to end. (32)
- **Row 22:** Ch 1, turn. Sc in the 3rd loop of each hdc st made in the previous row. (32)
- **Rows 23 24:** Repeat Rows 21 and 22. (32)
- **Row 25:** Ch1, turn. Sc in each st across to the end. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for seaming the pocket later. Set pockets aside.

WRAP DIRECTIONS – Top Border Edge

Row 1: With **I (5.5 mm) hook**, foundation hdc 186. (*Alternately you could chain 187 and then begin your hdc in 2nd ch from hook, but this will make your top edge tight and inflexible, whereas the foundation hdc will give you a nice, stretchy fabric and a much more even edge.)*

- **Row 2:** Ch 1, turn. Sc in the 3rd loop of each hdc st made in the previous row. (186)
- **Row 3:** Ch 1, turn. Hdc in each st across to the end of the row. (186)
- **Row 4:** Ch 1, turn. Sc in the 3rd loop of each hdc st made in the previous row. (186)
- **Rows 5-6:** Repeat rows 3 and 4. (186)
- **Row 7:** With **J (6.0 mm) hook**, ch 3, turn. Begin star stitch in 2nd ch from hook and continue to work stars across to the end. Place a hdc in the last stitch of the row. (92 stars, 2 hdc)
- **Row 8:** Ch 1, turn. 1 hdc in first st. Work 2 hdc in each "eye" of the stars in the previous row. Place 1 hdc in the last st of the row. (186)
- **Row 9:** With I (5.5 mm) hook, ch 1, turn. Hdc in first st, hdc in the BACK LOOP ONLY of the next 184 sts. Hdc in last st. (186)
- **Row 10:** Ch 1, turn. Sc in the 3rd loop of each hdc st made in the previous row. (186)

Directions - Body

Row 11: Ch 1, dc in first st. Skip one st, dc next st. Work dc in skipped stitch (crossed double crochet made). *[Skip next st, dc in next st. Work dc in skipped stitch.] Repeat across row to last st. Place a dc in last st. (186 - 2 dc sts, 92 Xs)

Row 12 - 14: Repeat Row 11. (*This could be repeated if you desire a wider width, but be sure to end on an even row, so that the next section is begun on the RIGHT side of your wrap.)*

Row 15: With **J (6.0 mm) hook**, ch 3, turn. Begin star stitch in 2nd ch from hook and continue to work stars across to the end. Place a hdc in the last stitch of the row. (92 stars, 2 hdc)

Row 16: Ch 1, turn. 1 hdc in first st. Work 2 hdc in each "eye" of the stars in the previous row. Place 1 hdc in the last st of the row. (186)

Rows 17 - 40: Repeat **Rows 15 and 16** (12 times).

Row 41: With **I (5.5 mm) hook**, ch 1, dc in first st. Skip one st, dc next st. Work dc in skipped stitch (crossed double crochet made). *[Skip next st, dc in next st. Work dc in skipped stitch.] Repeat across row to last st. Place a dc in last st. (186 - 2 dc sts, 92 Xs)

Rows 42 - 44: Repeat Row 41 (3 times).

Directions - Bottom Border Edge

Row 45: Ch 1, turn. Hdc in the first st, hdc in the BACK LOOP ONLY of each of the next 184 sts. Hdc in the last st. (186)

Row 46: Ch 1, turn. Sc in the 3rd loop of each hdc st made in the previous row. (186)

Row 47: With **J (6.0 mm) hook**, ch 3, turn. Begin star stitch in 2nd ch from hook and continue to work stars across to the end. Place a hdc in the last stitch of the row. (92 stars, 2 hdc)

Row 48: Ch 1, turn. 1 hdc in first st. Work 2 hdc in each "eye" of the stars in the previous row. Place 1 hdc in the last st of the row. (186)

Row 49: With **I (5.5 mm) hook**, ch 1, turn. Hdc in first st and each st across to the end. (186)

Row 50: Ch 1, turn. Sc in the 3rd loop of each hdc st made in the previous row. (186)

Rows 51 - 54: Repeat rows 49 and 50 (2 times).

Before fastening off... (If you are happy with your length, place a stitch marker in the last stitch and go directly to the "Finishing Up" section. You may omit the next section and go right on to the finishing up. If you choose to extend your wrap, fasten off and go on to the next set of directions for "Extending Your Wrap.")

I found that I needed to add a bit to my length because the lighter weight yarn used was a bit "springy" and didn't drape the way I had anticipated. So I added a bit to each end.

Extending your wrap:

Row 1: With the right side of your wrap facing and the shorter side edge at the top, join your yarn to the upper right hand corner. **With your 5.5 mm hook**, ch1 and use hdc to evenly work along this side edge. For me, I worked 80 hdc sts along this side edge.

Row 2 - 5: Ch 1, turn. Hdc in each st across to the end. (80)

Row 6: Ch1, turn. Sc in the 3rd loop of each hdc st made in the previous row. (80)

Row 7: Ch 1, turn. Hdc in each st across to the end of the row. (80)

Row 8: Ch1, turn. Sc in the 3rd loop of each hdc st made in the previous row. (80)

Rows 9 - 10: Repeat Rows 7 and 8. (80) Fasten off.

REPEAT EXTENDING YOUR WRAP ROWS 1 - 10 FOR THE OPPOSITE SHORT SIDE EDGE.

Do NOT fasten off after you have completed the opposite side edge. Place a stitch marker in the working stitch so it does not unravel and locate your pockets for attaching.

Finishing Up:

Fold your wrap in half lengthwise to locate the center. Mark the center stitch on both short side edges. Using the center mark as a reference for your pocket, take one pocket and center it along one short side edge of your wrap, making sure that you are attaching it to the right side of your fabric. You can use a stitch marker to anchor it in place. Attach your second pocket to the opposite short side edge.

Then, picking up your working stitch, Ch1, turn. Right side is facing. SC evenly around the entire rectangle, placing 3sc in each corner. When you reach the bottom row of your pocket, sc through both layers of fabric, joining the bottom of your pocket to your wrap. Once you have worked sc all the way around, join with a slip st and fasten off.

Use a tapestry needle to whip stitch the side edges of your pocket in place.

Weave in all ends.

Optional:

Make 4 tassels and attach one in each corner of your wrap. Thickness of your tassel will be determined by the number of wraps you use to make your tassel. My tassels were made with 75 wraps.

Enjoy your new Friendship Pocket Wrap! ©

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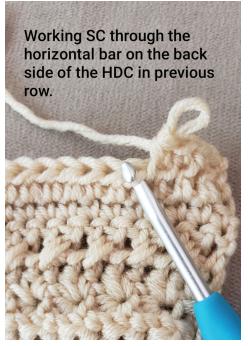
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SPECIAL STITCHES:

SC in the 3rd Loop:

After you have worked your row of HDC, you will CH 1 and turn your work. You will complete the next row using SC in the 3rd loop. Locate the horizontal bar found in the body post of the hdc (NOT the V at the top of the st) and work your SC sts in this bar.





When you turn your work back to the front you will get a nice ribbing effect that looks like the photo above.

STAR STITCH (start of the row) Part A:





- 1. Begin your star stitch with a ch 3 at the beginning of the row.
- 2. Insert your hook in the 2nd ch from hook, (yarn over and pull up a loop. (2 *loops on hook*)
- 3. Insert your hook in the 3rd ch from hook, yarn over and pull up a loop. (3 loops on hook)
- 4. Insert your hook under the top "V" strands of the first st of the row at the base of your ch 3. Yarn over and pull up a loop. (4 loops on hook)
- 5. Repeat previous step in each of next two stitches along the row. (6 loops on hook)
- 6. Yarn over and pull through all 6 loops on your hook.
- 7. Ch 1 to close the stitch.

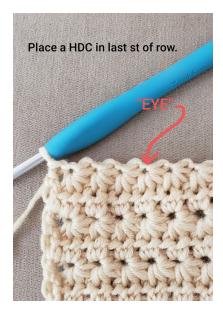


- 1. Begin your second star stitch by inserting your hook into the "eye" of the previous star stitch just made. Yarn over and pull up a loop. (2 *loops on hook*)
- 2. Insert your hook in the st directly below the eye, working through both strands along the side edge of the st, yarn over and pull up a loop. (3 loops on hook)
- 3. Insert your hook under the top "V" strands of the st at the base of your previous star st. Yarn over and pull up a loop. (4 loops on hook)
- 4. Repeat previous step in each of next two stitches along the row. (6 loops on hook)
- 5. Yarn over and pull through all 6 loops on your hook.
- 6. Ch 1 to close the stitch.

Note: This process is repeated for the entire row. When you reach the end, you will place a HDC in the last st, CH1 and turn.



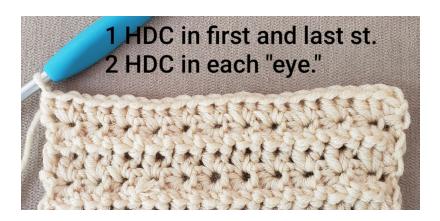




STAR STITCH - Part B:

After completing your row of stars, you will CH 1 and turn to begin the next row. For this row, HDC in the first st. Then work 2 HDC in each "eye" along the row to the end. Place a HDC in the last st.

Note: If you are working the middle body section with many rows in the star stitch pattern, you will CH 3 at the end of this row and repeat both parts A and B to to the number of rows specified in the pattern or to your desired width.



CROSSED DOUBLE CROCHET:

At the beginning of the crossed double crochet row, I start with a CH 1, bringing the ch up to the height that I need in order to complete my first dc st. I find that this method eliminates the gap that occurs by starting with a ch3.

Ch 1, dc in first st. Skip one st, dc next st. Work dc in skipped stitch (crossed double crochet made). *[Skip next st, dc in next st. Work dc in skipped stitch.] Repeat across row to last st. Place a dc in last st.

