Textured post stitch square

US terms



Finished size
About 4¾ in (12 cm) across

Skill
Intermediate
Worked in rounds, with 1 special stitch.

Yarn
Medium (4)

Hook
5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge
14 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn: clay, medium (4) **about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8). Also: a yarn needle, scissors, pins for blocking and a spray bottle.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. The estimate is from the stitches and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

ch	chain stitch
sl st	slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
sp	space
st	stitch
rnd	round
RS	right side

Special stitches

FPdc (Front post double crochet): Yarn over, insert the hook from front to back to front round the post of the stitch named, yarn over and pull up a loop, [yarn over and pull through 2 loops] twice. It leaves 1 FPdc for the next row.

Gauge

14 stitches and 15 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 2 the square measures about 2½ in (6 cm) across. If yours is larger, use a smaller hook; if it is smaller, use a larger hook.

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Before you start

- Rounds are worked with the right side facing; do not turn.
- Magic ring: wrap the yarn round two fingers, work the first round or row into the loop, then pull the tail until the ring is closed. Four chains joined into a ring with a slip stitch may be used instead.
- A chain that counts as a stitch is marked so in its line and is included in the count.
- A slip stitch at the start of a round only carries the yarn to the place named; the first stitch of the round is worked in that same place. If stitches lie between the joining and that place, slip stitch across them first.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line count its stitches and the chain spaces between them; slip stitches are not counted.
- In rounds 3 and 4 the last FPdc of the round is worked around the chain 3 at the start of the round before, which counts as a double crochet.
- The same words in another yarn make another size, measured straight across: fine yarn (2) and a 3.25 mm hook, about 3 in (8 cm); light yarn (3) and a 4 mm hook, about 3½ in (9 cm); bulky yarn (5) and a 6.5 mm hook, about 6 in (15 cm).

Instructions

Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. Round brackets ( ) inside a line hold stitches that all go into one place. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a round is done. In UK terms sl st is slip stitch and dc is treble.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in ring, ch 2, **[**3 dc in ring, ch 2**] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(12 dc, 4 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in same sp, dc in next st, FPdc around next st, dc in next st, **[**(2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next st, FPdc around next st, dc in next st**] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(24 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 4 FPdc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in same sp, dc in next st, FPdc around next st, dc in next st, FPdc around next st, dc in next st, FPdc around next st, dc in next st, **[**(2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, dc in next st, FPdc around next st, dc in next st, FPdc around next st, dc in next st, FPdc around next st, dc in next st**] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(32 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 12 FPdc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in same sp, **[**dc in next st, FPdc around next st**] 5 times**, dc in next st, **[**(2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, **[**dc in next st, FPdc around next st**] 5 times**, dc in next st**] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join **(40 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 20 FPdc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail.

Finishing

- Block: pin the square to shape on a flat surface, spray it with water and let it dry.
- Weave in the ends with the yarn needle.

In all: 4 rounds; 2 ends to weave in.

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