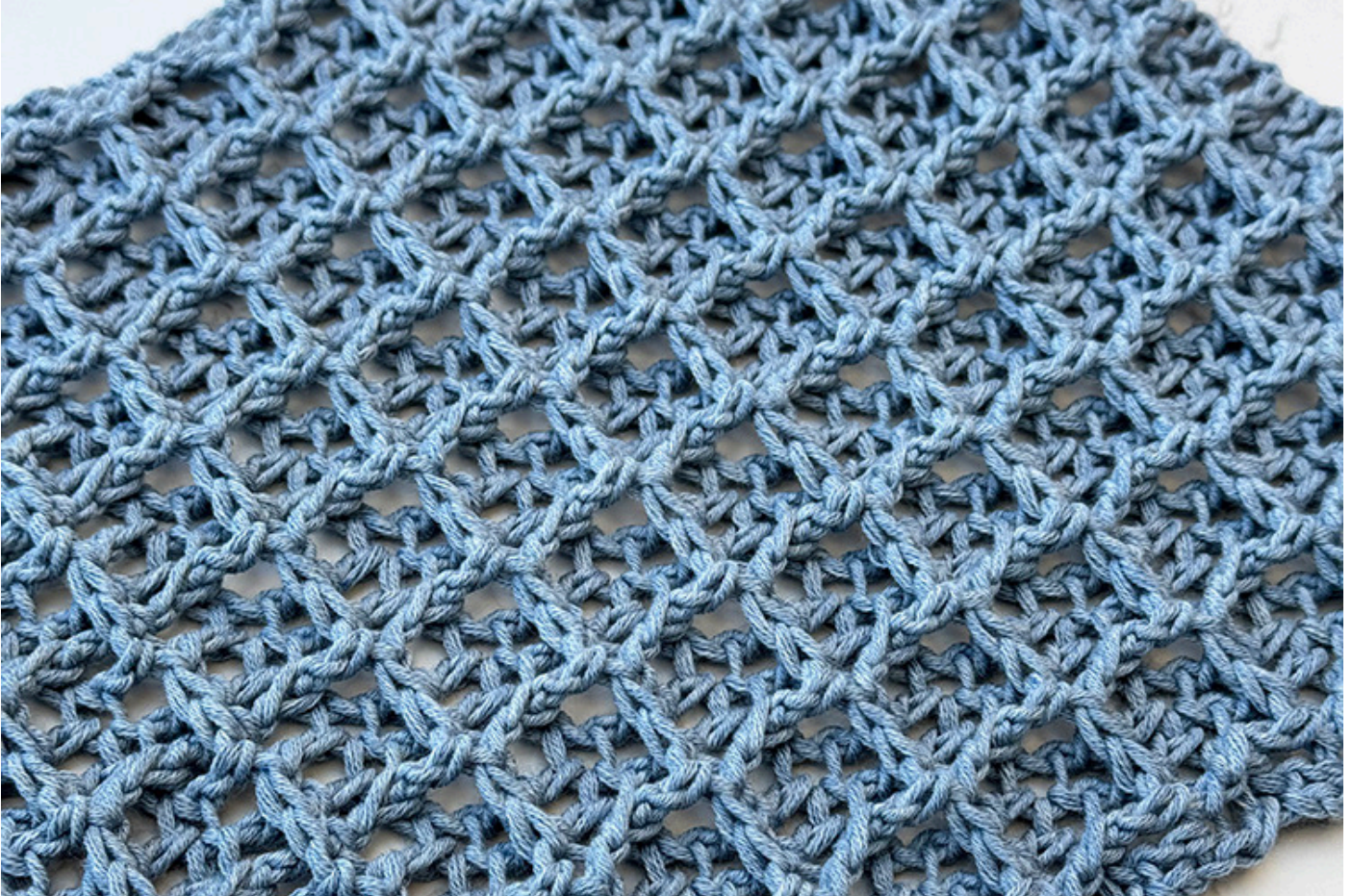


# Waffle Stitch Crochet Dishcloth Pattern

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**Skill Level**  Basic / De base / Básico



## About This Pattern

Crocheting a dishcloth using the waffle stitch is a fantastic choice for those who enjoy textured patterns that are not only visually appealing but also effective for scrubbing. The waffle stitch creates a dense and durable fabric, making it perfect for dishcloths. The waffle stitch not only provides a great texture that enhances the scrubbing power of the dishcloth but also looks attractive. This makes your crochet dishcloth both a functional tool in the kitchen and a lovely handmade addition to your home decor.

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## Yarn

- Medium weight cotton yarn (Size 4), as it's absorbent and durable, making it ideal for dishcloths.
- 1 x ball of The Pima Cotton yarn from We Are Knitters.
- This yarn is 3.5 oz/100g/232 yds/212 m.
- Use my code – [MGM4VHHAT](#) – for 10 off on your WAK yarn order.
- You can make 2 dishcloths with this amount of cotton yarn.

## Hook

- A size H-8 (5 mm) crochet hook works well with medium weight yarn.

## Notions

- Darning needle/yarn needle
- Scissors
- Tape measure

## Gauge

- 17 sts / 20 rows in 10x10 cm/4x4 inches in half double crochet.

## Size

- Length = 8 inches/20 cm
- Width = 8 inches/20 cm

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## Abbreviations

The pattern is written in US crochet terms.

You can get a free PDF download of all US and UK crochet terms and abbreviations [here.](#)

Or cut and paste this URL into your browser - <https://www.handylittleme.com/crochet-abbreviations/>

- CH - Chain
- Cont - Continue
- DC - Double crochet
- FPDC - front post double crochet - yarn over, insert hook around the post of the stitch, insert your hook from front to back to front again, yarn over and pull through (you will have three loops on the hook), yarn over pull through two loops, yarn over and pull through the remaining two loops
- Patt - Pattern
- Rep - Repeat
- RS - Right side
- Sl-St - Slip stitch
- St(s) - Stitch(es)
- WS - Wrong side

### Tips:

- Consistent Tension: Keeping an even tension is crucial for the waffle stitch to ensure that the texture and dimensions of the dishcloth are uniform.
- Washing Care: Since dishcloths require frequent washing, choose a yarn that is machine washable and durable.

### Video Tutorial

Watch a video tutorial on my [YouTube channel here](#) to help you along.

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### 1. Foundation Chain:

- Start by making a slip knot and then chain a multiple of 3 plus 2 extra chains. For a standard dishcloth size, chaining 32 should work well ( $30 + 2 = 32$ ).

### 2. Row 1:

- **Double Crochet (DC)** in the third chain from the hook and in each chain across. Turn your work.

### 3. Row 2 (Setup for the Waffle Pattern):

- Chain 2 (counts as the first DC). Work 1 DC in the first st, \*Work a **Front Post Double Crochet (FPDC)** around the next DC (not the base of the chain 2). Then, 1 DC in the next 2 stitches. Repeat the pattern across the row: one FPDC followed by two DCs until you get to the last two stitches. The final two stitches from the end of the row = 1 FPDC, 1 DC in the last st. Turn your work.

### 4. Row 3:

- Chain 2 (counts as the first DC). 1 DC in the first stitch, then \* 1 DC in the next st, 1 FPDC in the next 2 sts. Continue the pattern across the row: \*1 DC and 2 FPDC\* rep to the last 2 sts. 1 DC in each of the last 2 sts. Turn your work.

### 5. Continuing the Pattern:

- Repeat Rows 2 and 3 for the pattern. Row 2 has two DCs and one FPDC while Row 3 has one DC and two FPDCs. This alternating pattern creates the characteristic "waffle" effect. Continue until the dishcloth reaches your desired size, usually about 8 or 10 to 12 inches square.

### 6. Optional Border:

- Once you have completed the main body of the dishcloth, you can finish with a simple single crochet border around the entire edge to give it a cleaner, more finished look. Work one single crochet in each stitch around the perimeter, placing three single crochets in each corner to maintain a flat edge.

### 7. Finishing Off:

- Cut the yarn, leaving a tail. Yarn over and pull the tail through the loop on your hook to secure it. Weave in all ends with the yarn needle.



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