

HOW^{TO} CROCHET

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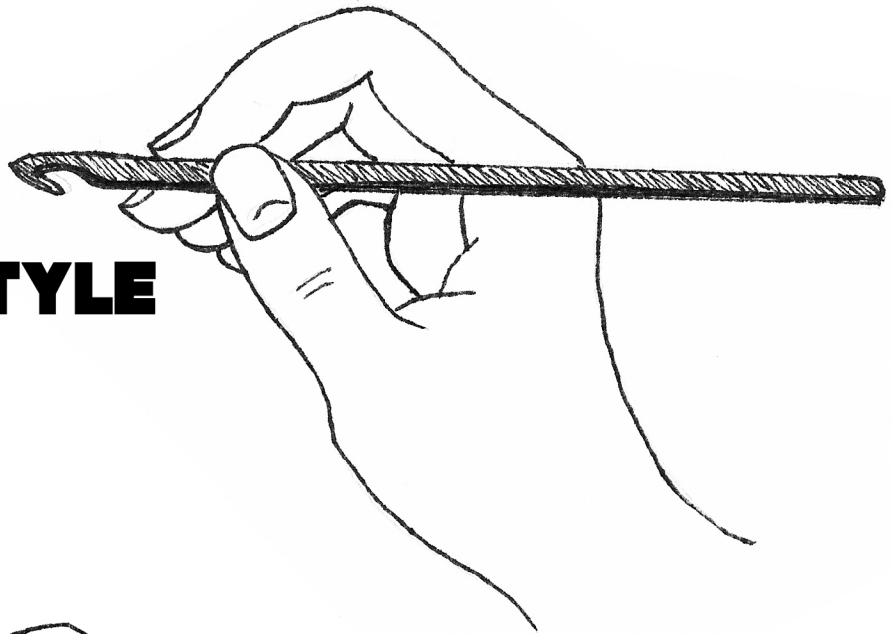
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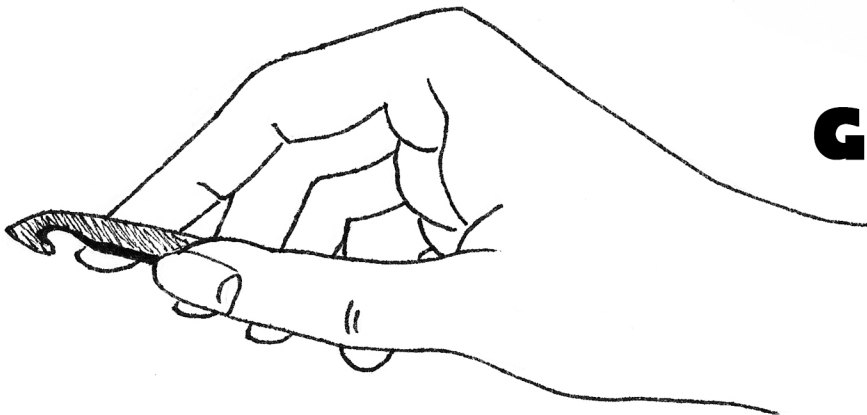
HOLDING YOUR HOOK

Pictured here are the two most common ways of holding your crochet hook. Over time you will discover which style is most comfortable for you. (For left handers, simply hold this picture up to a mirror so that you can see the illustrations in a reverse reflection.)

PENCIL STYLE



GRIP STYLE



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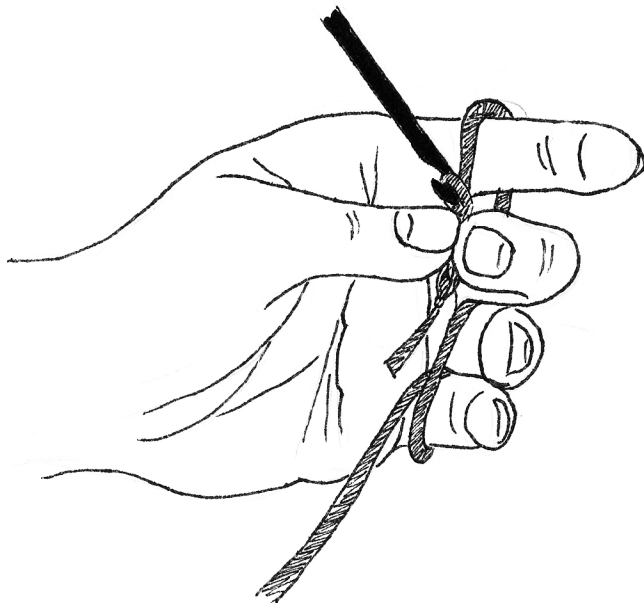
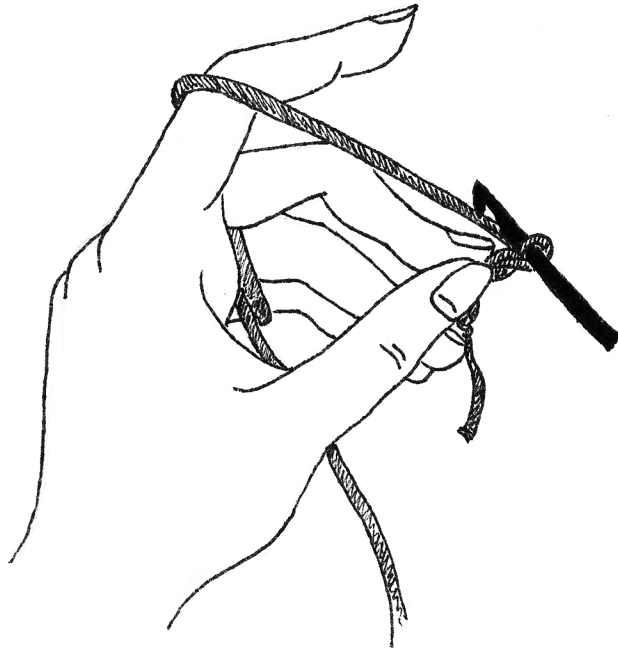
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HOLDING YOUR YARN

Properly wrapping and holding your yarn is the best way to keep your yarn steady and your crochet tension even. (For left handers, simply hold this picture up to a mirror so that you can see the illustrations in a reverse reflection.)

SIDE VIEW



FRONT VIEW

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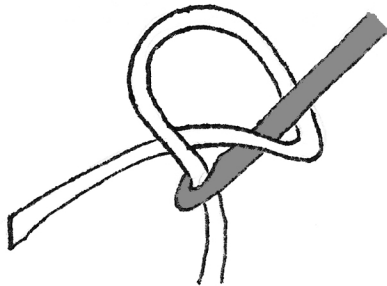
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BEGINNING SLIP KNOT

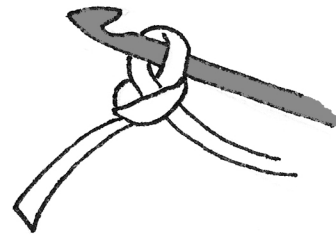
This knot will be the starting point for every crochet pattern you choose to do.

STEP 1



Make a loop, pull another loop through it.

STEP 2

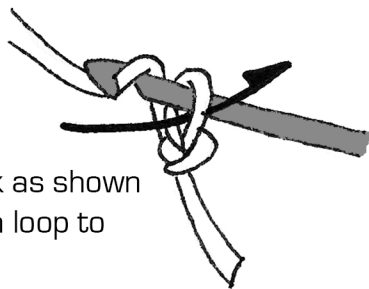


Gently tighten the knot towards the hook.

CHAIN STITCH (CH)

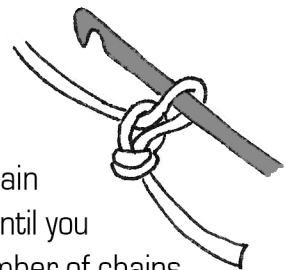
This stitch come after your beginning slip knot and creates the base line for every pattern you create.

STEP 1



Wrap yarn over hook as shown and pull yarn through loop to create another loop.

STEP 2

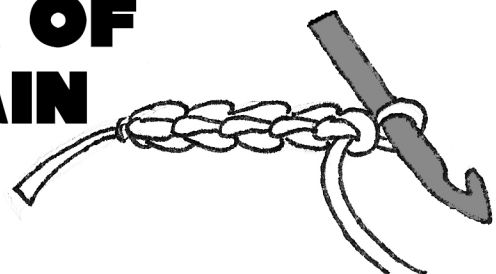


This counts as one chain - repeatly do step 1 until you reach the desired number of chains.

FRONT OF CHAIN



BACK OF CHAIN



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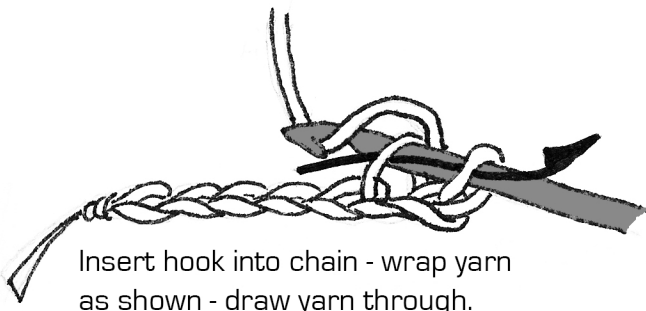
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SLIP STITCH (SLST)

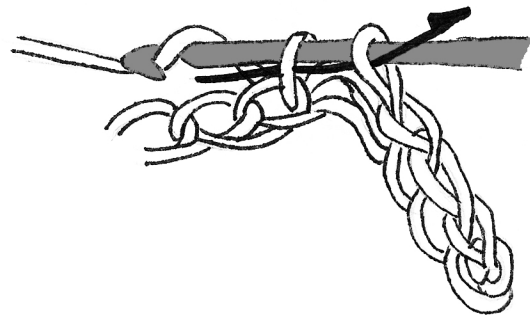
This simple basic stitch is commonly used in crochet patterns.

STEP 1



Insert hook into chain - wrap yarn as shown - draw yarn through.

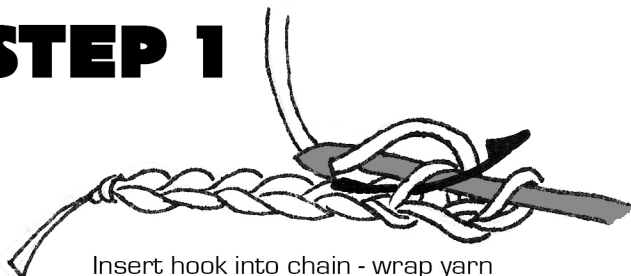
STEP 2



SINGLE CROCHET (SC)

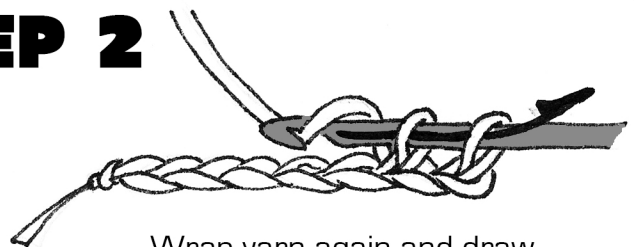
This stitch is used a smaller crochet stitch used in most patterns and it begins the same as a slip stitch.

STEP 1



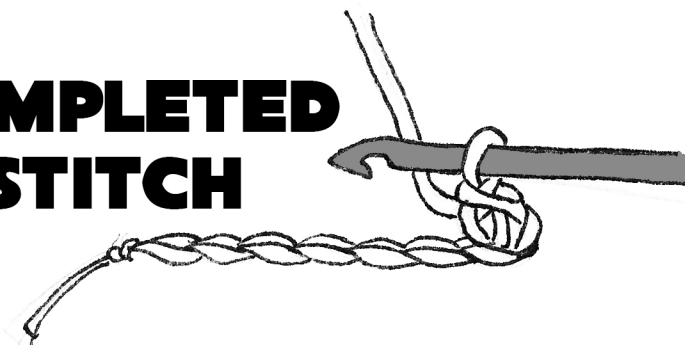
Insert hook into chain - wrap yarn as shown - draw yarn through to make a second loop.

STEP 2



Wrap yarn again and draw through both loops on hook.

COMPLETED STITCH



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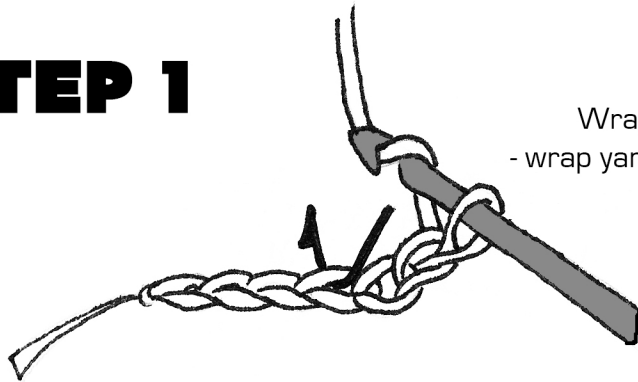
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HALF DOUBLE CROCHET (HDC)

A commonly used stitch for crochet patterns.

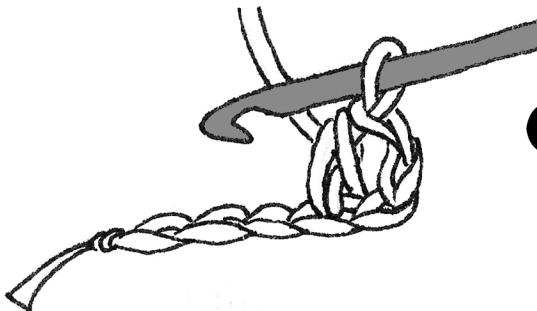
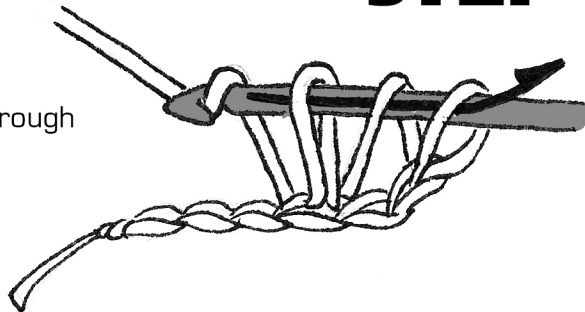
STEP 1



Wrap yarn - insert hook in work
- wrap yarn again and draw through work.

STEP 2

Wrap yarn again and pull through
all three loops.



COMPLETED STITCH

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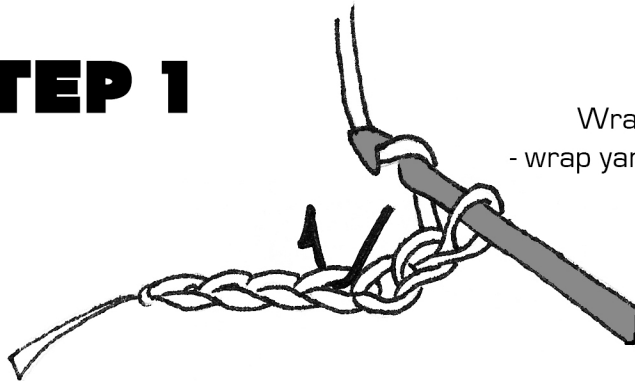
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DOUBLE CROCHET (DC)

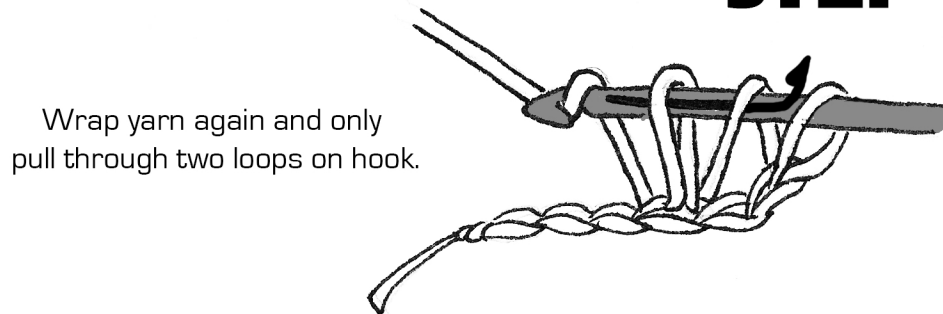
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STEP 1



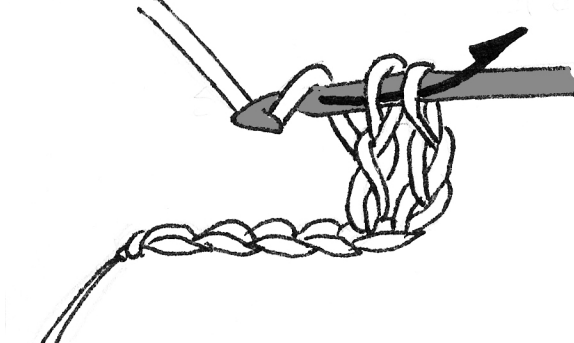
Wrap yarn - insert hook in work
- wrap yarn again and draw through work.

STEP 2



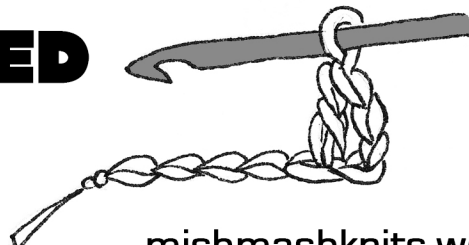
Wrap yarn again and only
pull through two loops on hook.

STEP 3



Wrap yarn once again and pull
through last two loops on hook.

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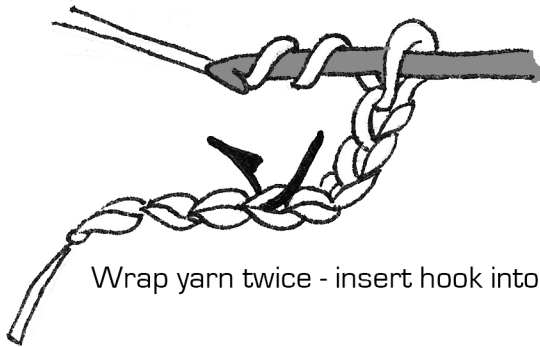
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TREBLE CROCHET (TR)

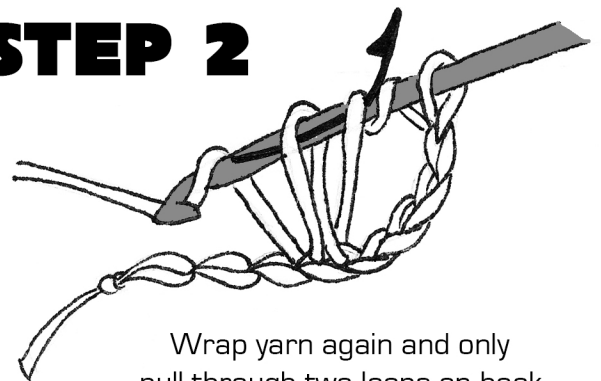
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STEP 1



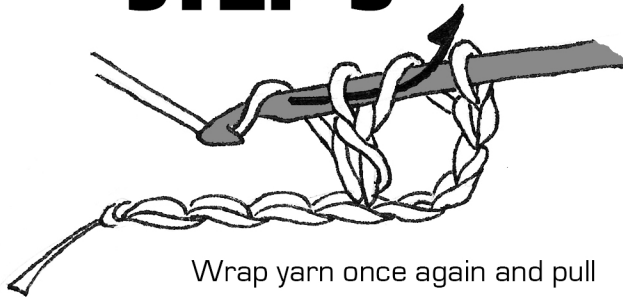
Wrap yarn twice - insert hook into work.

STEP 2



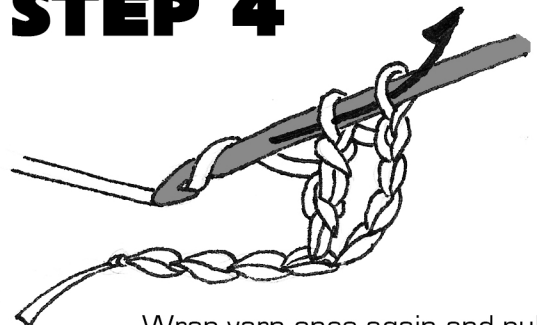
Wrap yarn again and only pull through two loops on hook.

STEP 3



Wrap yarn once again and pull through two more loops on hook.

STEP 4



Wrap yarn once again and pull through last two loops on hook.

COMPLETED STITCH

