

CROCHET ABBREVIATIONS

Complete Reference Chart — US Terms + UK Comparison

BASIC STITCHES & TECHNIQUES

ABBREV.	MEANING
CH	Chain
SL ST / SS	Slip stitch
SC	Single crochet
HDC	Half double crochet
DC	Double crochet
TR	Treble crochet
DTR	Double treble crochet
TRTR	Triple treble crochet
YO / YOH	Yarn over / Yarn over hook
MR / MC	Magic ring / Magic circle

POST STITCHES

ABBREV.	MEANING
FPsc	Front post single crochet
FPdc	Front post double crochet
FPhdc	Front post half double crochet
FPtr	Front post treble crochet
BPsc	Back post single crochet
BPdc	Back post double crochet
BPhdc	Back post half double crochet
BPtr	Back post treble crochet

SPECIALTY STITCHES

ABBREV.	MEANING
MB / BO	Make bobble / Bobble
PC	Popcorn stitch
CL	Cluster
PS / PUFF	Puff stitch
TCH / T-CH	Turning chain
EDC	Extended double crochet
ESC	Extended single crochet
ETR	Extended treble crochet
EHDC	Extended half double crochet
DC2TOG	Double crochet 2 tog
SC2TOG	Single crochet 2 tog

ORIENTATION & COLORS

ABBREV.	MEANING
PM	Place marker
RS / WS	Right side / Wrong side
BLO / BL	Back loop only
FLO / FL	Front loop only
TBL	Through back loop
FP / BP	Front post / Back post
MC / CC	Main color / Contrast color

PATTERN INSTRUCTIONS

ABBREV.	MEANING
ST / STS	Stitch / Stitches
SP	Space
CH-SP	Chain space
LP	Loop
SK	Skip
INC	Increase
DEC	Decrease
REP	Repeat

ABBREV.	MEANING
RND(S)	Round(s)
BEG	Beginning
TOG	Together
CONT	Continue
ALT	Alternate
APPROX	Approximately
REM	Remaining
PAT	Pattern

SYMBOLS	
SYMBOL	MEANING
* ... *	Repeat instructions between asterisks as many times as directed
() or []	Work instructions within brackets as many times as directed

US vs UK CROCHET TERMS — Always check which system your pattern uses!			
US TERM	US ABBREV	UK TERM	UK ABBREV
Slip stitch	sl st	Slip stitch	ss
Single crochet	sc	Double crochet	dc
Half double crochet	hdc	Half treble crochet	htr
Double crochet	dc	Treble crochet	tr
Treble crochet	tr	Double treble	dtr
Double treble	dtr	Triple treble	ttr
Yarn over	yo	Yarn over hook	yoh

■■ US double crochet (dc) = UK treble crochet (tr) — using the wrong system changes stitch height throughout the entire project.