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## Crochet Threads and Yarns - How They Work with Gauge

One of the first thing one needs to do when getting a new crochet thread, is to make a "Test Swatch". Most manufactures have a recommended size of either a crochet hook or knitting needles for each type of thread/yarn used. That is where you start, using either the manufacturer recommendations, or the hook/need called for in your pattern.

Each sample will tell you what thread/yarn is used, and hook and/or knitting needle has been used. When the swatch is complete, the height and width of each sample is recorded.

## Single Crochet Swatch

Chain 26
Row !; Sc in 2nd ch from hook, and in each chain to end of row, ch 1, turn. ( 25 sts)
Row 2: Sc in each sc across, ch 1, turn. (25 sts)
Rows 3-15: Repeat row 2.

## Half Double Crochet Swatch

Chain 27
Row 1: Hdc in 3rd ch from hook, and in next 24 ch sts to end of row, turn. (25 sts)
Row 2: Ch2 (counts as Hdc), hdc in next 24 ch sts, ch 2, turn. ( 25 sts )
Rows 3-7: Repeat row 2

## Double Crochet Swatch

Chain 28
Note: Ch 3 counts as dc
Row 1: Dc in 4th ch from hook, and in next
24 ch sts, ch 3, turn ( 25 sts)
Row 2: Dc in 2nd st, and in next 24 dc , ch 3, turn. (25 sts)
Rows 3-7: Repeat Row 2


## Double Crochet in the Round

Use Granny Square Diagram \& magic ring in place of ch 5

Rnd 1: Form Magic Ring, ch 6, 3 dc, ch3, 3 dc, ch 3,3 dc, ch 3 , 2 dc, join with 3 rd st of first ch 6.
Rnd 2: ch 6, 3 dc in same space, ch 2, (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc in next corner, ch 2), repeat once, ending with 2 dc in last corner, join in 3 rd ch of first ch 6.
Rnd 3: SI st to corner, ch 6, 3 dc, ch 2, (3dc in next ch 2 space, ch $2,3 \mathrm{dc}$, ch $3,3 \mathrm{dc}$ in next corner) repeat 2 more times, 3 dc , ch 2 in next ch 2 space, 2 dc in next corner, join with sl st in 3rd ch of first ch 6. Fasten Off.

