



Joining using double crochet

US: Joining using single crochet

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Using double (single) crochet to join pieces of crochet means that you get a really neat join and you don't have to do any sewing! The double (single) crochet seam will give you a slight ridge on the reverse side and is visible on the right side of the work.

It is important to make sure that you have the same stitch count on both the crochet pieces that you are going to join. If the stitch count is different you will need to do some jiggling about and perhaps use some of the stitches more than once.

Hold the crochet pieces so that the right sides are facing each other (inwards). If you are using the yarn that is still joined to your crochet piece then you will need to work 1ch before you start. If using a new piece of yarn then work 1ch into the first stitch of the front piece to join in the yarn.



Step 1: Insert your hook through the next stitch on the first piece – if you are joining a foundation row edge then you will need to put your hook through the remaining side of the foundation chain.



Step 2: Insert your hook through the corresponding stitch on the other piece. Be very careful when you do this to make sure that you put your hook through the whole stitch.



Step 3: Take your yarn around the hook and draw through both of the stitches.



Step 4: Take your yarn around hook and draw through the remaining loop to create a double (single) crochet stitch.

Note

Joining using double (single) crochet can use up a lot of yarn – bear in mind that a row of double (single) crochet stitches can use a length up to 10 times longer than the width of the seam you wish to join.