

Serene Spa Washcloth



Pattern Description:

This is a Free Crochet Pattern from Lion Brand Yarn for a Serene Spa Washcloth. Designated as pattern number L30181, it is suitable for crocheters at a Beginner skill level.

The finished washcloth is designed to measure approximately 10 1/2 x 10 1/2 inches (26.5 x 26.5 cm).

Skill Level: Beginner

Materials Need & Measurements:

- **Yarn:**
 - Lion Brand Kitchen Cotton Yarn (Article #831)
 - Color: Tropic Breeze (or any preferred shade)
 - Content: 100% Cotton
 - Weight: Medium/Worsted (Category 4)

- Ball Size: 2 oz (57 g), 99 yds (90 m)
- Quantity: 1 ball
- **Hook:** Size H-8 (5 mm) crochet hook
- **Notions:** Large-eye blunt needle (for weaving in ends)
- **Finished Size:** 10½ x 10½ inches (26.5 x 26.5 cm)
- **Gauge:** 14 half double crochet (hdc) stitches + 11 rows = 4 in. (10 cm) (Gauge is important to achieve correct finished size.)

Abbreviations (US Terms)

- **ch** – chain
- **hdc** – half double crochet
- **sk** – skip
- **st(s)** – stitch(es)
- **rep** – repeat
- **BLO** – back loop only
- **RS** – right side

Pattern Notes

- Ch-2 at the beginning of rows counts as a hdc.
- All hdc stitches from Row 2 onward are worked in **back loops only (BLO)** to create ribbed texture.
- Turn your work at the end of each row.

Stitching Instructions for Making the Serene Spa Washcloth Pattern:

The construction of the washcloth begins by creating a foundation chain and then working rows of half double crochet, primarily into the back loop only to create texture.

Initial Chain:

- The process starts by creating a foundation chain of **44 stitches**.
- **Row 1:** For the first row, you will **Skip 2 chains**. These skipped chains are important because they are designated to **count as half double crochet**.

This essentially serves as the first stitch of the row and the turning chain all in one. After skipping the chains, you will work **half double crochet in each remaining chain across** the row.

This means every chain loop after the first two skipped ones will receive one half double crochet stitch until you reach the end of the foundation chain.

- **Row 2:** To begin the second row, you will **Chain 2**. Similar to the skipped chains in Row 1, this initial Chain 2 is also specified to **count as half double crochet**.

After chaining, you must **turn** your work to position the other side of the fabric facing you, ready to work back across the row.

The instruction for Row 2 is then to work a **half double crochet in back loop only of each half double crochet across**.

This specific instruction means that for every half double crochet stitch from the previous row, you will insert your hook only under the single loop farthest away from you (the back loop) before completing the half double crochet stitch. You will do this in every stitch across the row.

- **Repeat Row 2:** The core of the washcloth's length is built by repeating the instructions for Row 2.

You will continue to work Row 2 until the piece measures approximately **10 1/2 in. (26.5 cm)** from the very beginning of your work (the foundation chain).

- **Fasten off:** Once the desired length of 10 1/2 inches is achieved, the crocheting is complete, and you should **Fasten off** your yarn.

FINISHING:

After the main crocheting is finished, the final step described is to Weave in ends. This involves using a tool like the Lion Brand Large-Eye Blunt Needles to tidy up any loose yarn tails by threading them through the fabric on the wrong side to secure them and make them invisible.