

FREE CROCHET PATTERN

Easy Round Coaster

Learn to crochet in the round with a flat cotton coaster: single crochet, steady increases and neat joins, with an optional second color. Under an hour.



SKILL LEVEL Beginner	FINISHED SIZE About 4.25 in (11 cm) across	YARN WEIGHT Medium / Worsted
HOOK 5 mm (US H-8)	TIME About 45 minutes	TERMS US terms

Gauge: Rounds 1–4 measure about 2 in (5 cm) across. Gauge isn’t critical for a coaster.

Materials

- ☐ Worsted-weight (medium — About 20–25 yd (18–23 m) (Split between two colors if you like)
- ☐ 5 mm (US H-8) crochet hook
- ☐ Stitch marker
- ☐ Tapestry needle and scissors

Abbreviations

MR — magic ring

sc — single crochet

st(s) — stitch(es)

rep — repeat

ch — chain

sl st — slip stitch

rnd(s) — round(s)

Notes before you start

- Work every round with the right side facing you — do not turn.
- The chain 1 at the start of each round does not count as a stitch.
- Work the first sc of each round into the same stitch as the slip stitch join.
- Working 2 sc in the same stitch is an increase — it adds one stitch to the round.
- Place a stitch marker in the first stitch of each round so the join is easy to find.

The pattern

Center

- ☐ **Start:** Make a magic ring. (If you prefer, ch 2 and work Round 1 into the 2nd ch from the hook instead.)
- ☐ **Rnd 1:** Ch 1, 6 sc in the ring. Pull the tail to close the ring, then join with a sl st to the first sc. **(6)**

Increase rounds

- ☐ **Rnd 2:** Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around. Join with a sl st to the first sc. **(12)**
- ☐ **Rnd 3:** Ch 1, [sc in the next st, 2 sc in the next st] 6 times. Join with a sl st to the first sc. **(18)**
- ☐ **Rnd 4:** Ch 1, [sc in the next 2 sts, 2 sc in the next st] 6 times. Join with a sl st to the first sc. **(24)**
- ☐ **Rnd 5:** Ch 1, [sc in the next 3 sts, 2 sc in the next st] 6 times. Join with a sl st to the first sc. **(30)**
- ☐ **Rnd 6:** Ch 1, [sc in the next 4 sts, 2 sc in the next st] 6 times. Join with a sl st to the first sc. **(36)**
- ☐ **Rnd 7:** Ch 1, [sc in the next 5 sts, 2 sc in the next st] 6 times. Join with a sl st to the first sc. **(42)**
- ☐ **Rnd 8:** Ch 1, [sc in the next 6 sts, 2 sc in the next st] 6 times. Do not join — you will finish with an invisible join instead. **(48)**

Tip: Each round has one more plain sc between increases than the round before. If you lose your place, count the stitches between two increases.

Finishing

- ☐ **Invisible join:** Cut the yarn, leaving a 6 in (15 cm) tail, and pull it up through the last stitch. Thread the tail onto a tapestry needle, skip the first stitch of the round, pass the needle under both loops of the second stitch, then take it back down through the top of the last stitch.
- ☐ **Weave in ends:** Weave both tails in on the back of the coaster, following the curve of the rounds, and trim.

Tip: Small wobbles usually disappear with blocking: dampen the coaster, pat it flat and let it dry completely.

Tips

- Count every round. If the number is off, the most common cause is missing the stitch at the join.
- Increases stacked in the same place can give the edge a slightly hexagonal shape. That's normal and softens with blocking.
- Cotton is best for coasters. It handles warm mugs and can be washed.

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