

## Not Your Ordinary Knitted Dishcloth



I love hand knitted dishcloths. But I'm not a huge fan of the kind made from worsted weight cotton. Yes, they are better than store bought dishcloths, but they can get very bulky. I noticed a friend of mine knitting a dishcloth from a *single strand of crochet cotton*. Of course I had to try my hand at knitting some, and I was well rewarded. The scrubbing power was wonderful, and they were closer to the size of a store-bought dishcloth. But they took so long to knit.

Then, at a friend's bridal shower, I was struck by a certain gift: dishcloths knitted from *two strands of crochet cotton*. Brilliant!

So, I created this pattern. It knits up much quicker than using a single strand, but it still has that lovely scrubbing action!

This pattern is a very good "mindless" knitting project. Grab yourself some crochet cotton and knitting needles, and take it wherever you go!

### Not Your Ordinary Knitted Dishcloth Pattern

#### **Materials:**

- 2 balls of size 10 crochet cotton in contrasting colors of choice
- 1 pair of straight knitting needles, US size 2 or 3, depending on how tightly you knit

**Gauge:**

Not critical

**Directions:**

Holding the 2 strands of crochet cotton together, cast on 3 stitches.

*Begin increasing:*

Row 1: knit.

Row 2: knit 1, yarn over, knit to end of row.

Repeat row 2 until you have 77 stitches, or until desired size is obtained.

*Begin decreasing:*

Next row: knit 2 together, yarn over, knit 2 together, knit to end of row.

Repeat this row until there are 4 stitches remaining.

Next row: knit 2 together, bind off all stitches.

*Finishing:*

Weave in all loose ends. Wash before first use.

