

How-To: Tunisian Simple Stitch Like a Pro



Figure 1



Figure 2

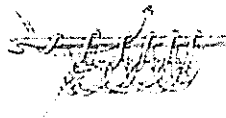


Figure 3

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Forward Pass: Insert hook from right to left behind the second vertical bar (see Figure 1). Yarn over and pull up a loop (see Figure 2). Leave this loop on the hook and insert the hook from right to left behind the next vertical bar. Yarn over and pull up a loop, leaving this loop on the hook as well. Continue pulling up loops in each vertical bar across to the last stitch of the row. To pull up a loop in the last stitch, insert your hook behind both the vertical bar and an additional loop at the edge of the row. You should now have the same number of loops on your hook as you have stitches.

Return Pass: Yarn over and draw through one loop. *Yarn over and draw through two loops (see Figure 3). Repeat from * until there is only one loop on the hook. This loop is the selvedge stitch.

You Need to Know the Tunisian Purl Stitch

Forward Pass: With the yarn in front, insert the hook from right to left behind the second vertical bar. Yarn over and pull up a loop (see Figure 1). Keeping the yarn in front, insert the hook from right to left behind the next vertical bar. Yarn over and pull up a loop. Continue pulling up loops in the same manner to the last stitch. To work the last stitch, insert the hook behind both the vertical bar and an additional loop at the edge of the row; yarn over and pull up a loop. This will create a more stable edge for the fabric.

Tunisian Purl Stitch How-To

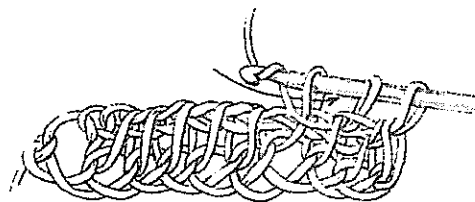


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Return Pass: Work the return pass as for the Tunisian simple stitch.

Tunisian is a wonderful crochet skill to have, and it's really quite enjoyable once you have the hang of it.

The most important thing to remember with Tunisian crochet stitches is to use a hook with a smooth, even shaft. A crochet hook that widens at the grip will increase the size of the loops as they are picked up across the row and left on the hook, and we wouldn't want that. Now that you know how to do Tunisian crochet, and have explored some basic stitches for this fascinating and popular crochet technique, you're ready to starting on your first few Tunisian crochet patterns!

Tunisian Honeycomb Tss / Tps

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This stitch creates a dense, textured honeycomb pattern and is made by working with the Tss (Simple Stitch) and Tps (Purl Stitch) stitches alternatively throughout two rows. This is one of my favorite stitches to make and is really simple to do.

Instructions

To Begin: Chain in multiples of two to desired length.

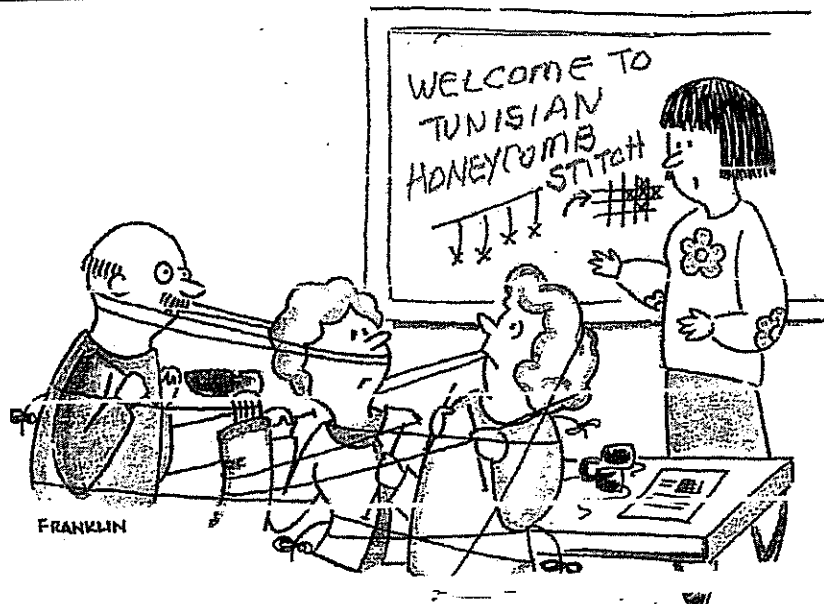
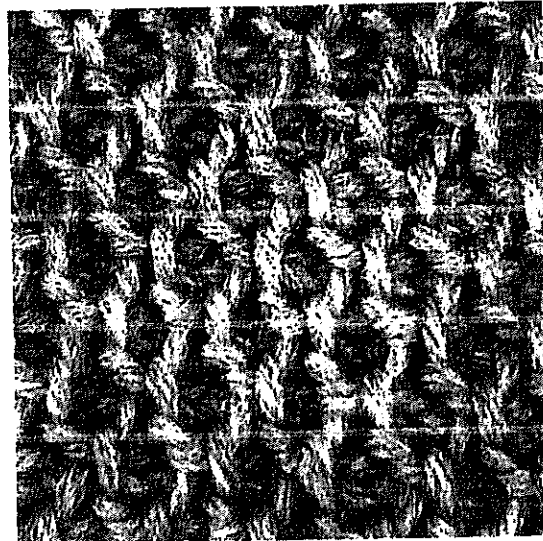
Foundation: *Row one forward:* Insert hook in next chain space and pull up a loop. * Insert hook into next, yarn over and pull up a loop. Repeat from * keeping all chains on hook. *Row one return:* Yarn over and pull back through one loop. * Yarn over and pull through two loops. Repeat from * until one loop remains on hook.

Stitch:

Row two forward: * Pull yarn to front and moving hook over strand insert hook under next vertical bar. Keeping strand under hook, move it to the back and then yarn over and pull up a loop (Tps). Insert hook under next vertical bar and pull up a loop (Tss). Repeat from * to end. *Row two return:* Yarn over and pull back through one loop. * Yarn over and pull through two loops. Repeat from * until one loop remains on hook.

Row three forward: * Insert hook under next and pull up a loop (Tss). Pull yarn to front and moving hook over strand insert hook under next vertical bar. Keeping strand under hook, move it to the back and then yarn over and pull up a loop (Tps). Repeat from * working a Tss in last. *Row three return:* Yarn over and pull back through one loop. * Yarn over and pull through two loops. Repeat from * until one loop remains on hook.

Repeat from row two for pattern.



"Some confusion is perfectly normal! Everybody just calm down, unwind and we'll try the TSS and TPS stitches again."

Tunisian Crochet Ear Warmers
Honeycomb Stitch
(Nancy Stallard)

Supplies:

Worsted weight yarn

5.5mm (US 9) Tunisian crochet hook (or you may use a regular crochet hook with a rubber band on the flat end to prevent sts from falling off – it works since you are only working with a few stitches)

Yarn needle

Chain 17.

FOUNDATION

Row 1: Forward Pass: Insert hook in next chain space, yarn over and pull up a loop. *Insert hook into next, yarn over and pull up a loop. Repeat from * keeping all loops on the hook. (17 loops)

Row 1: Return Pass: Yarn over and pull back through one loop. *Yarn over and pull through two loops. Repeat from * until one loop remains on the hook.

COUNT YOUR 17 STITCHES FREQUENTLY SO YOU QUICKLY DISCOVER IF YOU HAVE MISSED A STITCH.

STITCH

Row 2: Forward Pass: * Pull yarn to front and moving hook over stand insert hook under next vertical bar. Keeping strand under hook, move it to the back and then yarn over and pull up a loop (Tps-Tunisian pearl stitch). Insert hook under next vertical bar and pull up a loop (Tss-Tunisian simple stitch). Repeat from * to end. ALWAYS make the 17th stitch a Tss. This will insure both edges of the warmer look the same.

Row 2: Return Pass: Yarn over and pull back through one loop. * yarn over and pull through two loops. Repeat from * until one loop remains on the hook.

Row 3: Forward Pass: * Insert hook under net stitch and pull up a loop (Tss). Pull yarn to front and moving hook over strand insert hook under next vertical bar. Keeping strand under hook, move it to the back and then yarn over and pull up a loop (Tps). Repeat from * working a Tss in the last.

Row 3: Return Pass: Yarn over and pull back through one loop. * Yarn over and pull through two loops. Repeat from * until one loop remains on hook.

Repeat from row two (rows 2 and 3) for pattern. Sew the short ends of your piece together and cinch the seam closed, leaving an extra long tail. Using your extra long tail wrap the yarn around the cinched seam several times; once the wrapping is done to your liking, knot the length of yarn on the wrong side of your work and weave in your ends. The ear warmer pictured below (made with Tss only) shows how the wrapped finish looks.



