

KNIT & CROCHET ABBREVIATION CHEAT SHEET

After the 21st Century resurgence of Knitting and Crocheting, these “old school” novelties are no longer considered part of your grandmother’s pastime, but instead the current hobbies of choice for the hip and trendy. Popularity has risen, so much so, that even men are turning to the practice as a form of relaxation. Knitting and Crocheting parties are more prevalent than ever. No longer an isolated activity, it has become an opportunity for people to share their creativity, socialize, gossip and more.

Below is the Knit & Crochet Abbreviation Cheat Sheet to help either a Beginner or Advanced Misfit decipher those pesky pattern directions. Good Luck! Happy Knitting! Happy Crocheting!

ABBREVIATIONS AND TERMS

alt	alternate, alternately	g st	garter stitch	p tbl	purl through back loop	ssk	slip, slip, knit
BC	back cross, back cable	g; gr	gram	p2tog	purl two together	ST st	stockinette stitch
beg	begin, begins; beginning	grp; grps	group; groups	pat; pats	pattern; patterns	st; sts	stitch; stitches
bl	block	hdc	half double crochet	p-b; p	purl stitch in row below	tbl	through back loop
BO	bind off	hk	hook	pfb	purl into the front and back of a stitch	tch;	turning chain
BO	bobble	in; ins	inch; inches	pm	place markers	tog	together
C	cable; cross	inc	increase; increasing	pns	pass next stitch over	tr	treble crochet
CC	contrasting color	incl	including	pss	pass slip stitch over	tr tr	triple treble crochet
ch	chain	incs	increases	pw	purlwise	won	wool over needle
cl	cluster(s)	k	knit	RC	right cross	wrn	wool round needle
cm	centimeter(s)	k2tog	knit two together	rem	remain; remaining	WS	wrong side
cn	cable needle	kw	knitwise	rep	repeat	wyib	with yarn in back
CO	cast on	LC	left cross	rev ST st	reverse stockinette stitch	wyif	with yarn in front
cont	continue; contuing	LH	left-hand	RH	right hand	yb; ybk	yarn to the back
cross 2 L	cross 2 stitches to the left	lp; lps	loop; loops	rib	ribbing	yf; yfwd	yarn to the front (or forward)
cross 2 R	cross 2 stitches to the right	LT	left twist	rnd;	round; rounds	yfon	yarn forward and over needle
dc	double crochet	m	meter(s)	RS	right side	yfrn	yarn forward and round needle
dec	decrease; decreasing	m1	make one stitch	RT	right twist	yo	yarn over
decs	decreases	MB	make bobble	sc	single crochet	yo	yarn over two times
DK	double knitting	MC	main color	sk	skip	yon	yarn over needle
dp; dpn	double-pointed needle	mm	millimeter(s)	SK2P	slip one, knit two, pass slip stitch over knit two	yrn	yarn round needle
dtr	double treble (triple)	no	number	SKP	slip one, knit one, pass slip stitch over knit one	*	repeat directions following astericks as many times as indicated
EON	end of needle	oz	ounce	sl	slip	[]	repeat directions inside bracket as many times as indicated
FC	front cross	p	purl (knit)	sl st	slip stitch		
fol	follow; follows; following	p	picot (crochet)	sp; sps	space; spaces		