

# DC (Double Crochet) Envelope Border

A Mosaic Crochet Tutorial

## Introduction

This envelope border hides the tails left when doing single-row mosaic crochet. Knot your tails so they don't come undone and then just crochet a border to hide them inside instead of weaving them in or leaving a fringe. I'm using bright yarn to show you the stitches but you can use whatever colors you like – keep in mind the stitches may be hard to find if you use the same colors your main piece is in. Many suggest using a hook half a size smaller than you used for your project – I suggest waiting until step 2 if you want to use a smaller hook.



## Important Details

- US crochet terminology
- Can be added to any project
- Use the same yarn weight as your project used

## Key

CH = chain

DC = double crochet

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I also have a free photo tutorial in PDF form on this technique available in my Facebook group (Ashlee's [Locked Filet Mesh and Mosaic Crochet](#)) and on [Ravelry](#)

All my social media links are here:

<https://linktr.ee/LFMandMosaic>

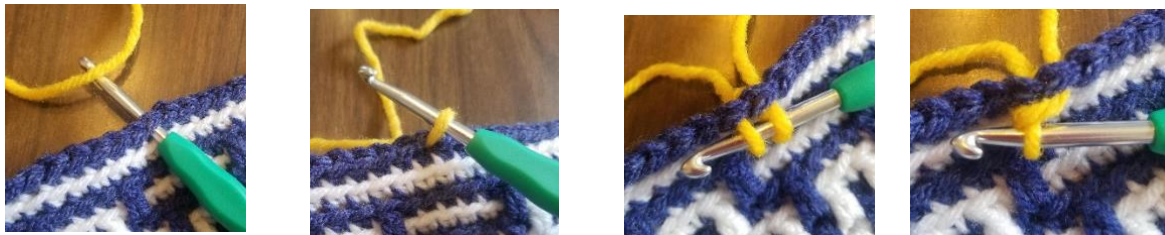


## Envelope Border Technique

### Step 1

Surface slip stitch all the way around. It is easiest to start on the top or bottom (away from the tails).

Put your hook into the stitch (going under 2 loops, like a normal stitch). Pick up your yarn and pull through. Put your hook into the next stitch and pull up a loop. Pull through 1 loop. Repeat to the corner.



Don't use the joining or ending stitches, put your surface stitch down the sides beside the "frame" that shows in my patterns.



Place your last stitch then cut your yarn for joining. Pull yarn through to the front. Use a needle to wrap the yarn around the first stitch you made and back down through itself. Don't pull it too tight – match the tightness of your other stitches. On the back side, put the yarn through the next stitch then weave in both the ends (the tails will get covered with your envelope border).



### Step 2

Starting on the wrong side, join and chain 2 (or do a standing double crochet), DC into each stitch. Add 2 chains in each corner (or 3, depending on how tightly you chain). Join with a slip stitch to your first DC.

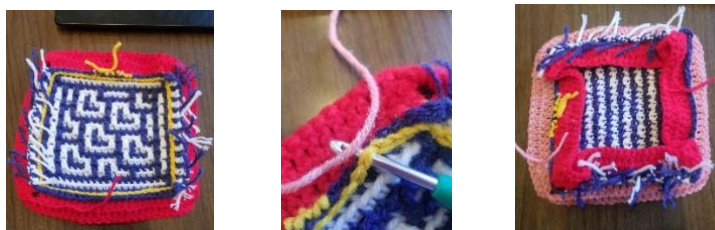


### Step 3

Do 2 or 3 rows of DC (sample shows 2). Each ch2 corner gap will have DC, CH2, DC.

### Repeat

Repeat steps 2 and 3 on the right side of your item. Put your stitches under both loops created by the surface slip stitches.



### Join the flaps

Sew the two flaps together. I use a slip stitch in the back loop only (that is, the loops nearest each other). Start in the corner or make sure you count your stitches so that the corners line up properly. Sew the last slip stitch to the first slip stitch in the same manner as in step 1. Hide tails inside the envelope.



This technique works great on blankets.