



Pattern Testing Checklist

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HOW TO GET STARTED

- Read the entire pattern testing call.
- Confirm that you have the required materials, knowledge, and time to complete the test.
- Watch this tutorial to learn how to view, comment on, and participate in a pattern test using Google Docs: **[How to Pattern Test With Google Docs](#)**

Read the entire pattern before picking up your hook to look for:

- Spelling errors and typos.
- Incorrect or inconsistent abbreviations.
 - **[Abbreviation Cheat Sheet](#)**
- Missing or incorrect stitch counts.
 - **[What Counts as a Stitch](#)**
- Unclear repeat symbol usage.
 - **[Repeat Symbols Cheat Sheet](#)**
- Anything that makes you stop and wonder, "What does this mean?"
 - **[How To Read a Crochet Pattern](#)**



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WHILE TESTING

- Follow the pattern exactly as written.
- Do not make design changes or modify the instructions unless specifically directed by the designer.
- Keep track of your stitch counts, rows/rounds, and progress as you work.
- Pay attention to anything that makes you stop, backtrack, guess, or reread an instruction.
- Ask questions when something isn't clear.
- Share suggestions that could make the pattern easier to understand.
- Leave all pattern questions and feedback as comments directly in the Google Document.
- Be specific when reporting an issue. Include the row/round, instruction, stitch count, or other details that will help the designer find and fix the problem.



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WHEN YOU FINISH

- Complete the project or sample according to the testing requirements.
- Review your notes and make sure all feedback has been added to the Google Document by the testing deadline.
- Take photos of your finished project in a well-lit area or in natural light so the details are easy to see.
- Watch this tutorial to learn how to add your finished project to Ravelry and link it to the pattern test: **[How to add a project to Ravelry](#)**.



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HAVE A CONCERN?

If you have a concern that you believe could result in a rating lower than 5 stars, contact the designer directly before submitting a rating on Ravelry.

This creates an opportunity to review the issue, clarify anything that may have been misunderstood, and address concerns with the pattern writer while the design is still in the testing phase.

COMPENSATION

Every pattern testing call is different, so compensation may vary. Typically, testers who complete the project and submit all required feedback by the due date will receive a complimentary copy of the final published pattern, usually delivered through Ravelry.

Your job isn't to be perfect. Your job is simply to invest your time, yarn, and skills to test a pattern as written and help determine whether it works as intended. Thank you!