

1860's CROCHETED MAT

Materials required: crochet hook size 4 (1mm), 9 (American), no. 20 crochet cotton.
Gauge: 2 ½ ins (6.5cms) = 30 rows

Pattern:

Chain 4

Row 1: 1ch, 1sc. into 1st chain, 3sc. into 2nd chain, 1sc.

Row 2: 1ch, 1sc. into next 2sc., 3sc. into next sc., sc. into next 2sc.

Row 3: 1ch, 1sc. into next 3sc., 3sc. into next sc., 1sc into next 3sc.

Row 4: “ “ “ “ 4sc., “ “ “ “ “ “ “ 4sc.

Row 5: “ “ “ “ 5sc., “ “ “ “ “ “ “ 5sc.

Row 6: “ “ “ “ 6sc., “ “ “ “ “ “ “ 6sc.

Row 7: “ “ “ “ 7sc., “ “ “ “ “ “ “ 7sc.

Row 8: “ “ “ “ 8sc., “ “ “ “ “ “ “ 8sc.

Continue the pattern and increasing in the centre sc until 30 rows have been worked.

Work 1dc.,1ch. around the edge of square, (1dc, 1ch,1dc,1ch,1dc,1ch) in each corner. Join with a sl. st. into first dc. Break off thread.

Join squares together with sc. to make a mat 6 squares wide by 6 squares long.

Make a 2-3 ins. (5-7.5cms) fringe around the edge.

Abbreviations

ch. chain

dc. double crochet

sl. st. slip stitch

Adapted from a pattern in “*Peterson's Magazine*” by Mrs Jane Weaver (1861).