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PREFACE

FILET CROCHET is probably the most fascinating of all crochet work. It offers the widest possible opportunities in its adaptability for every kind of decoration. It adds the individual touch to table and bedroom linens, and is essentially in keeping with period furniture. A wide range of designs and models is presented, in most cases the original; but in all, the diagrams, clearly showing the design in black and white.

We have endeavored throughout the book to suggest to you some of the manifold uses to which these designs may be put, and one should always bear in mind that good cottons and close, even work are essential for the best results.

EXPLANATORY

Filet crochet is worked in “open” and “closed” blocks (sometimes called mesh), represented in the diagrams in white and black squares respectively, and done entirely in chain and double crochet.

CHAIN or CH.: Make a loop, insert the hook, throw thread over hook, and draw a loop through first one made. Each loop is a chain stitch.

DOUBLE CROCHET or D. C.: Wrap, draw up a loop, draw thread through 1, then draw thread through 2, then draw thread through last 2.

OPEN BLOCK: 1 d. c., ch. 2, skip 2 stitches, 1 d. c. in next stitch to close block, which forms a perfect square. In making rows of open blocks, the d. c. is always made in the d. c. of preceding row.

CLOSED BLOCK: 1 d. c. on 1 d. c., 1 d. c. each on next 2 chain, 1 d. c. on next d. c.

The number of blocks given on the diagrams represent the first row; for the foundation chain make 3 times as many chain stitches as blocks and add 1. Always chain 5 to turn.

The work to be effective must be done firmly and evenly; both loops at top of d. c. should be used and when working closed blocks over open blocks the d. c. should be made in the chain stitch, not around the chain.

Choose a good thread and use as fine a hook as possible. The following table will assist you in planning your work. It is necessarily only approximate:

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No. 1. This handsome mahogany tray, measuring 14½ x 17½ inches, is 116 blocks square. The pattern can easily be followed from the illustration. For a variety of tray patterns see Nos. 16, 52, 59, 78, 85, 88, 90, 95.

No. 3. Makes a very charming insertion and corner for a tea cloth. The unit squares can also be used for inserting in ends of table covers, etc.

No. 4. Shows a chair-back or chair-tidy now so much in vogue. For other designs see Nos. 10, 11, 16, 54, 55, 78, 82, and The Antonie Ehrlich Crochet Book No. 1, which contains a variety of patterns for chair backs.
No. 6. A handsome insert corner for table cover or tea-cloth.
No. 9 (see No. 7)

No. 9. This antique filet lace collar design, worked in No. 80 cotton, is begun at center marked A (41 blocks). Both sides are worked from this point. The cross unit (19 blocks) can be used at regular intervals for an insertion or for a small medallion, similar to 48, 49, 64, 65, 66, 67, 100.

Nos. 10 and 11. Companion designs suitable for tidies, chair-backs or inserting in the ends of table runners or for curtains. See also Nos. 48, 49, 60 to 63, 79, 80

No. 10  45 x 42 Blocks
No. 11  46 x 42 Blocks
No. 12  7 Blocks
No. 15

A striking rose pattern suitable for bedspreads with alternate strips of linen. For the insertion make pattern 45 blocks wide, thus allowing 3 rows of open blocks either side of pattern. For other patterns suitable for bedspreads see Nos. 18, 53, 87 and The Antonie Ehrlich Crochet Book No. 2, devoted exclusively to Knitted and Crocheted Bedspreads.
No. 16 (see No. 13)

No. 17
67 x 70 Blocks

No. 18
23 Blocks
No. 22 shows a beautiful table cover, made in No. 60 cotton, the work measuring 29 inches square. The diagram is exactly one-quarter of the design, the arrows marking the last row from which point the pattern is reversed. Begin at point marked A and work across. For other table covers Nos. 53 and 90 are very desirable.

No. 21. Insertion and corner. For other patterns see Nos. 50, 93, 94.
Towel Insertions: The models shown on this page will give you some idea of the possibilities of narrow and wide insertions and laces for towels. Nothing could be more complete than the range of designs shown by Nos. 8, 12, 20, 23 to 42, 47, 57, 58, 72 to 77, 84, 92, 97.

Combinations of any of these patterns and the alphabets shown on pages 30 and 31 will be very effective.

The designs on page 22 are adapted for cross-stitching on bibs, towels, etc., for the children.
No. 52 (see No. 54)  69 Blocks

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157 Blocks
No. 59 (see No. 51)

No. 60  33 Blocks

No. 64  29 Blocks

No. 61  33 Blocks

No. 62  32 Blocks

No. 65  32 Blocks

No. 63  33 Blocks
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No. 79  30 x 33 Blocks

No. 80  30 x 33 Blocks

No. 81  69 Blocks
No. 85. The old-fashioned tidy has come back to us. The lace edge on this model is easily made. For other styles look at Nos. 16, 55, 78, 95.

No. 87. An effective pattern for porch furnishings. The table scarf can be made of ecru, green, linen or brown cotton to the desired length and inserted between strips of denim, linen or burlap to match and both ends fringed. An insertion of this pattern through the middle of a pillow and each end fringed or finished with a crocheted edge will be extremely handsome.
No. 89. A tray design which is begun at A and is 130 blocks long; from point B reverse the pattern, as only one-half is shown.
No. 90. A beautiful table cover or tidy. A very handsome pillow top can be made of this, if No. 20 cotton is used. No. 17 or 96 with a border all around the pattern would make a striking panel or pillow top. Others are Nos. 16 and 88.
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No. 98  12 Blocks

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