Aunt Lydia's® Crochet Thread

DECORATIVE CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS | CROCHET

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Decorative Christmas Ornaments

With just some crochet thread and a hook you can create these beautiful lacy ornaments. Make them in classic white or vary the colors for an elegant holiday look.

Each ornament measures about 3" across.

AUNT LYDIA'S® Classic Crochet Thread, Size 10:
1 ball 1 White

Crochet Hook: 1.5mm [US 7].
3" diameter Styrofoam ball (for forming crochet piece), 3" satin Christmas ball (for final ornament), plastic wrap, fabric stiffener, 7/8" ribbon, ornament hanger, thread needle.

GAUGE: Each design fits a 3" diameter ball. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.**

SPECIAL STITCHES
trtr (triple treble crochet) = [Yarn over] 4 times, insert hook in indicated stitch and draw up a loop, [yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook] 5 times.

tr (slip st) through post = tr (slip st) into the post of the next st under the 2 top loops AND one more thread at the top of the stitch (this stablizes the stitch and prevents a hole).

triple-picot = [Ch 3, (hdc, ch 2, slip st) in 3rd ch from hook] 3 times, slip st in same ch as first hdc.

NOTES
1. One ball of thread is sufficient to make several ornaments.
2. See Finishing instructions at end of pattern for BOTH ornaments.
3. The Styrofoam ball can be reused to form many pieces. A separate satin ball is needed for each ornament.

DIAMOND SPOKE STITCH ORNAMENT
(Shown at lower left of photo)
Ch 10; join with slip st in first ch to form a ring.
Round 1: Ch 6 (counts as first trtr), trtr in ring, [ch 3, tr in ring, ch 3, 2 trtr in ring] 5 times, ch 3, tr in ring, ch 3; join with slip st in top of beginning ch-6—12 trtr, 6 tr, and 12 ch-3 spaces.
Round 2: Ch 4 (counts as first tr), tr through top of post (under 3 loops) of next trtr, ch 10, [tr through post of each of next 2 trtr, ch 10] 5 times; join with slip st in top of beginning ch-4—12 tr and 6 ch-10 spaces.
Round 3 (Spoke Round): *[Ch 5, slip st in 3rd ch from hook, ch 2, skip next ch, tr in next ch] 8 times, ch 10, slip st in top of last tr made, [ch 5, slip st in 3rd ch from hook, ch 2, slip st in ch under tr] 8 times, slip st through post of next tr of Round 2 (spoke completed); slip st in each of first 4 ch of next ch-10 space, ch 5, slip st in 3rd ch from hook, ch 2, skip next 2 ch of same ch-10 space, slip st in each of last 4 ch of same ch-10 space**, slip st through post of next tr; repeat from * around ending last repeat at **; join with slip st in base of beginning ch—6 spokes.
Fasten off and weave in ends.

PICOT SPOKE STITCH ORNAMENT
(Shown at upper right of photo)
Ch 10; join with slip st in first ch to form a ring.
Round 1: Ch 3 (counts as first dc), 2 dc in ring, ch 3, [3 dc in ring, ch 3] 5 times; join with slip st in top of beginning ch-3—18 dc, and 6 ch-3 spaces.

Round 2: Slip st in next 2 dc, (slip st, ch 3, 2 dc) in first ch-3 space, ch 6, [3 dc in next ch-3 space, ch 6] 5 times; join with slip st in top of beginning ch-3—18 dc, and 6 ch-6 spaces.

Round 3 (Spoke Round): *Slip st in next dc, [ch 5, triple-picot] 5 times, ch 14, hdc in 12th ch from hook and in next 2 ch, [triple-picot, hdc in next 5 ch] 5 times (spoke completed), (4 sc, triple-picot, 4 sc) in next ch-6 space; repeat from * around; join with slip st in same st as first slip st—6 spokes.

Fasten off and weave in ends.

FINISHING

Cover 3" Styrofoam ball with plastic wrap. Saturate crochet in stiffener and shape around ball. Allow to dry. When piece is rigid, remove Styrofoam ball and insert satin ball. Tie or sew loops together at top. Using ribbon tie a bow to the top of the ornament and attach an ornament hanger.

AUNT LYDIA'S® Classic Crochet Thread, Size 10, Art. 154 available in white & ecru 400 yd; solid color 250 yd; shaded color 300 yd balls.

ABBREVIATIONS: ch = ch; **dc** = double crochet; **hdc** = half double crochet; **sc** = single crochet; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **tr** = treble crochet; **()** = work directions in parentheses into same st; **[ ]** = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; * or ** = repeat whatever follows the * or ** as indicated.