Cluster lace doily

Sport cotton · US terms



Finished size
About 7¾ in (19.5 cm) across

Skill
Intermediate
Worked in rounds, with clusters.

Yarn
Fine (2)

Hook
3.5 mm (US E-4)

Gauge
20 stitches to 4 in (10 cm)
In double crochet.

You will need

Yarn: antique gold, fine (2) **about 40 yd (37 m), an estimate**

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 3.5 mm (US E-4). Also: a yarn needle, scissors and rust-proof pins for blocking.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. The estimate is from the stitches and chains of this size at this gauge, with 15 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Sport cotton (this file)	**7¾ in (19.5 cm) across**	**about 40 yd (37 m)**
Size 10 thread	4 in (10 cm) across	about 25 yd (23 m)
Worsted cotton	11¼ in (28.5 cm) across	about 55 yd (50 m)

Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

ch chain
sl st slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
dc double crochet (UK tr, treble)
sp space
st stitch

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yo	yarn over
rnd	round

Special stitches

cl (Cluster): [yo, insert hook in the place named, yo and draw up a loop, yo and draw through 2 loops] 3 times, all in the same place, yo and draw through all 4 loops on hook. It leaves 1 cl for the next row.

beg-cl (Beginning cluster): Ch 3, [yo, insert hook in the place named, yo and draw up a loop, yo and draw through 2 loops] twice, all in the same place, yo and draw through all 3 loops on hook. It counts as a cl. It leaves 1 cl for the next row.

Gauge

20 stitches to 4 in (10 cm) in double crochet.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 3 the piece measures about 2 in (5 cm) across. If yours is larger, use a smaller hook; if it is smaller, use a larger hook.

Before you start

- Magic ring: wrap the yarn round two fingers, work the first round into the loop, then pull the tail to close it. Ch 4 joined into a ring with a sl st does as well.
- Every round is worked with the right side facing; do not turn.
- A ch 1 at the start of a row or round does not count as a stitch.
- When the next stitch or space of a kind is named, pass over anything else that comes before it. Work into a space round the chain, not into it.
- The sl sts at the start of a round carry the yarn to where the round begins; they are not counted.
- This size is worked in sport weight cotton.

Instructions

Chosen: Sport cotton. Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. Round brackets ( ) inside a line hold stitches that all go into one place. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a round is done. In UK terms sl st is slip stitch, sc is double crochet and dc is treble.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Beg-cl in ring, ch 3, **[**cl in ring, ch 3**] 7 times**, join with sl st in top of beg-cl	**(8 cl, 8 ch-3 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Sl st in next ch-3 sp, beg-cl in same sp, ch 3, cl in same sp, ch 3, **[**(cl, ch 3, cl) in next ch-3 sp, ch 3**] 7 times**, join with sl st in top of beg-cl	**(16 cl, 16 ch-3 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Sl st in next ch-3 sp, beg-cl in same sp, ch 3, cl in same sp, ch 4, sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 4, **[**(cl, ch 3, cl) in next ch-3 sp, ch 4, sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 4**] 7 times**, join with sl st in top of beg-cl	**(16 cl, 8 sc, 16 ch-4 sps, 8 ch-3 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Sl st in next ch-3 sp, beg-cl in same sp, ch 3, cl in same sp, ch 4, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next sc, ch 4, **[**(cl, ch 3, cl) in next ch-3 sp, ch 4, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next sc, ch 4**] 7 times**, join with sl st in top of beg-cl	**(16 cl, 16 dc, 16 ch-4 sps, 8 ch-3 sps, 8 ch-1 sps)**

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☐ **Rnd 5**	Sl st in next ch-3 sp, beg-cl in same sp, ch 3, cl in same sp, ch 6, cl in next ch-1 sp, ch 6, **[**(cl, ch 3, cl) in next ch-3 sp, ch 6, cl in next ch-1 sp, ch 6**] 7 times**, join with sl st in top of beg-cl	**(24 cl, 16 ch-6 sps, 8 ch-3 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	Sl st in next ch-3 sp, ch 1, sc in same sp, ch 5, sc in next ch-6 sp, ch 5, sc in next ch-6 sp, ch 5, **[**sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 5, sc in next ch-6 sp, ch 5, sc in next ch-6 sp, ch 5**] 7 times**, join with sl st in first sc	**(24 sc, 24 ch-5 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	Sl st in next ch-5 sp, ch 1, sc in same sp, ch 6, **[**sc in next ch-5 sp, ch 6**] 23 times**, join with sl st in first sc	**(24 sc, 24 ch-6 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	Sl st in next ch-6 sp, ch 1, sc in same sp, 11 dc in next ch-6 sp, **[**sc in next ch-6 sp, 11 dc in next ch-6 sp**] 11 times**, join with sl st in first sc	**(132 dc, 12 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Finishing

- Weave in all ends with the yarn needle.
- To block: wet the piece, lay it right side up on a towel, pin it out to size with every point and loop drawn evenly, and let it dry.

In all: 8 rounds; 2 ends to weave in.

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