Swan ring doily

Size 3 thread · US terms



Finished size
About 11¾ in (30 cm) across

Skill
Intermediate
Worked in rounds, with the stitches named

Yarn
Super fine (1), 5 colors

Hook
2.25 mm (US B-1)

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

You will need

Yarn A: pale blue, main color	**about 55 yd (50 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: lake blue, color B	**about 65 yd (59 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: white, color C	**about 60 yd (55 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: reed green, color D	**about 30 yd (27 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: orange, color E	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 2.25 mm (US B-1), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: 8 black seed beads, 2 to 3 mm, a fine sewing needle, black sewing thread, 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. Buy them from one dye lot. The estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Size 10 thread	9 in (23 cm) across	about 170 yd (155 m)
Size 3 thread (this file)	**11¾ in (30 cm) across**	**about 215 yd (197 m)**
Sport cotton	17 in (43 cm) across	about 295 yd (270 m)

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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)
hdc	half double crochet (UK htr, half treble)
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
tr	treble crochet (UK dtr, double treble)
dtr	double treble crochet (UK trtr, triple treble)
sp	space
st	stitch
sk	skip (UK miss)
beg	beginning
rnd	round

Special stitches

shell: (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in the place named. Anything worked in a shell goes in its ch-2 sp. It leaves 1 shell for the next round.

beg-shell (Beginning shell): Ch 3 (counts as dc), (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in the same place. It counts as a shell.

picot: Ch 3, sl st in the 3rd ch from hook.

Gauge

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

Use any hook that gives you this. If you count more stitches than this in 4 in (10 cm), change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, to a smaller one.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After rnd 4 the doily measures about 2¼ in (5.5 cm) across.

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 beginning chain counts as the stitch in brackets after it. A ch 1 at the start of a 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.
- Join a new color with a sl st in the place named. Fasten off a color only where the round says so; where it does not, the same color goes on into the next round.
- The body, the wing and the neck are each worked round a chain, right side facing. The joined end of the body is the tail, the joined end of the wing is its tip, and the joined end of the neck is its foot.
- At the start of a row or round "same st" is the stitch at the foot of the chain you have just worked.

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Instructions

Chosen: Size 3 thread. 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, hdc is half treble, dc is treble, tr is double treble and dtr is triple treble.

Doily

Yarns in order of use: A, pale blue; B, lake blue; D, reed green.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, make a magic ring.	

The pond

☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), 15 dc in ring, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3	**(16 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1), **[**dc in next dc, ch 1**] 15 times**, join with sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-4	**(16 dc, 16 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 5 (counts as dc, ch 2), **[**dc in next dc, ch 2**] 15 times**, join with sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-5	**(16 dc, 16 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in same sp, **[**3 dc in next ch-2 sp**] 15 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3	**(48 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 5 (counts as dc, ch 2), sk next dc, **[**dc in next dc, ch 2, sk next dc**] 23 times**, join with sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-5	**(24 dc, 24 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	Sl st in next ch-2 sp, beg-shell in same sp, sc in next ch-2 sp, **[**shell in next ch-2 sp, sc in next ch-2 sp**] 11 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3	**(48 dc, 12 sc, 12 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	Sl st in next dc, sl st in next ch-2 sp, beg-shell in same sp, dc in next sc, **[**shell in next shell, dc in next sc**] 11 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3	**(60 dc, 12 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	Sl st in next dc, sl st in next ch-2 sp, beg-shell in same sp, ch 1, sk next 2 dc, dc in next dc, ch 1, **[**shell in next shell, ch 1, sk next 2 dc, dc in next dc, ch 1**] 11 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3	**(60 dc, 12 ch-2 sps, 24 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next dc, 3 sc in next ch-2 sp, sc in each of next 2 dc, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next dc, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**sc in each of next 2 dc, 3 sc in next ch-2 sp, sc in each of next 2 dc, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next dc, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 11 times**, join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off A	**(120 sc)**

The deep water

☐ **Rnd 10**	Join B with sl st in first sc, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in each of next 119 sc, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3	**(120 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 11**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same st, dc in each of next 14 dc, **[**2 dc in next dc, dc in each of next 14 dc**] 7 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3	**(128 dc)**

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☐ **Rnd 12**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in each of next 3 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in each of next 3 dc, **[**dc in each of next 4 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in each of next 3 dc**] 15 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3	**(144 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 13**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same st, dc in each of next 8 dc, **[**2 dc in next dc, dc in each of next 8 dc**] 15 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3	**(160 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 14**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in each of next 159 dc, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3	**(160 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 15**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same st, dc in each of next 9 dc, **[**2 dc in next dc, dc in each of next 9 dc**] 15 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3	**(176 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 16**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in each of next 4 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in each of next 5 dc, **[**dc in each of next 5 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in each of next 5 dc**] 15 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3	**(192 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 17**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same st, dc in each of next 11 dc, **[**2 dc in next dc, dc in each of next 11 dc**] 15 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off B	**(208 dc)**

The shallow water

☐ **Rnd 18**	Join A with sl st in first dc, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in each of next 5 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in each of next 6 dc, **[**dc in each of next 6 dc, 2 dc in next dc, dc in each of next 6 dc**] 15 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off A	**(224 dc)**

The reeds

☐ **Rnd 19**	Join D with sl st in first dc, ch 1, sc in same st, ch 5, sk next 3 dc, **[**sc in next dc, ch 5, sk next 3 dc**] 55 times**, join with sl st in first sc	**(56 sc, 56 ch-5 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 20**	Sl st in next ch-5 sp, ch 1, sc in same sp, ch 5, **[**sc in next ch-5 sp, ch 5**] 55 times**, join with sl st in first sc	**(56 sc, 56 ch-5 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 21**	Sl st in next ch-5 sp, ch 1, sc in same sp, ch 1, (hdc, dc, tr, dtr, picot, dtr, tr, dc, hdc) in next ch-5 sp, ch 1, **[**sc in next ch-5 sp, ch 1, (hdc, dc, tr, dtr, picot, dtr, tr, dc, hdc) in next ch-5 sp, ch 1**] 27 times**, join with sl st in first sc	**(56 hdc, 56 dc, 56 tr, 56 dtr, 28 sc, 56 ch-1 sps, 28 picots)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Swan body: make 8

Yarn C, white.

☐ **Foundation**	With C, ch 10.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	With C, sc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc in next ch, dc in each of next 6 chs, 6 dc in last ch, working along opposite side of foundation ch, dc in each of next 6 chs, hdc in next ch, sc in next ch, join with sl st in first sc	**(18 dc, 2 sc, 2 hdc)**

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☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next hdc, hdc in each of next 6 dc, 2 hdc in each of next 6 dc, hdc in each of next 6 dc, sc in next hdc, (tr, dtr, picot, tr) in next sc, join with sl st in first sc **(24 hdc, 3 sc, 2 tr, 1 dtr, 1 picot)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.

Swan wing: make 8

Yarns in order of use: C, white; A, pale blue.

☐ **Foundation**	With C, ch 7.
☐ **Rnd 1**	With C, sc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc in each of next 2 chs, dc in each of next 2 chs, 6 dc in last ch, working along opposite side of foundation ch, dc in each of next 2 chs, hdc in each of next 2 chs, sc in next ch, join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off C **(10 dc, 4 hdc, 2 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Join A with sl st in first sc, ch 1, (sc, picot) in same st, **[**sc in next st, (sc, picot) in next st**] 2 times**, 2 sc in each of next 6 dc, sc in each of next 4 sts, (hdc, dc, picot, hdc) in next sc, join with sl st in first sc **(21 sc, 2 hdc, 1 dc, 4 picots)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.

Swan neck and head: make 8

Yarn C, white.

☐ **Foundation**	With C, ch 15.
☐ **Rnd 1**	With C, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each of next 10 chs, hdc in each of next 2 chs, 6 hdc in last ch, working along opposite side of foundation ch, hdc in each of next 2 chs, sc in each of next 10 chs, sc in next ch, join with sl st in first sc **(22 sc, 10 hdc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.

Assembly

1. Weave in the ends of the doily and of all the pieces of the swans.

2. Places: rnd 10 has 120 dc, the beg ch-3 counted as the first. The swans stand on the 1st, 16th, 31st, 46th, 61st, 76th, 91st and 106th. For each swan turn the doily, right side up, so that its dc is straight above the middle of the doily, away from you; left and right are meant as you see them then. "The line" is the straight line from the middle of the doily through that dc to the edge. In every round count the dc to the left or right from the place where the line crosses that round. All swans look to the right.

3. Body: lay it right side up, its tail to the left, along rnd 12. The end of its foundation chain at the tail (the ch that holds the first sc) lies on the top of rnd 12, 5 dc to the left of the line. The other end (the ch that holds the 6 dc) lies on the middle of the height of rnd 12, 3 dc to the right of the line. The lower edge then lies along the top of rnd 10. Cut a length of C three times as long as the way round it and 8 in (20 cm) more and sew it down all round, one small stitch in each of the 30 stitches of rnd 2 and one in the picot. Fasten off at the back.

4. Neck: lay it right side up with its joined end on the body, over the ch that holds the 6 dc. It goes up to the right, bends back to the left and then to the right again, like the letter S, and lies flat at its full length: it crosses the top of rnd 13, 5 dc to the right of the line, the top of rnd 15, 4 dc to the right, and the top of rnd 16, 4 dc to the right. There it bends to the right, and the end of the head (the middle of the 6 hdc) lies just under the top of rnd 17, 8 dc to the right of the line. Pin it, then cut a length of C three times as long as the way round it and 8 in (20 cm) more and sew it down with one small stitch

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in each stitch of its edge. Fasten off at the back.

5. Wing: lay it right side up on the body, its rounded end to the right and its pointed tip to the left and a little up. The ch that holds the 6 dc lies above the 7th of the 9 worked chs of the body, counted from the tail, and higher than that chain, toward the back of the swan, by about a third of the height of a dc. The tip lies 2 dc to the right of the picot of the tail, so that the tail is seen. The rounded end lies over the foot of the neck if they meet. Cut a length of C three times as long as the way round it and 8 in (20 cm) more and sew it to the body with one small stitch in the top of each of the 16 stitches of rnd 1; the pale blue edge stays free. Fasten off at the back.

6. Beak: cut 18 in (46 cm) of E for each swan. Work five straight stitches side by side across the end of the head. They begin on the head, just inside the tops of the 6 hdc, at five places beside one another over the width of the 4 middle hdc. All five end in the same hole of the doily, twice the width of a dc beyond the end of the head, so that they make one solid point. Fasten off at the back.

7. Eye: sew a bead to the head just above the foundation ch that holds the 6 hdc, with black thread, twice through the bead. Fasten off at the back.

Finishing

- Weave in the ends that are left 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 picot of the green edge drawn evenly, and let it dry.

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