

# Rings of Love

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## SKILL LEVEL

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## FINISHED SIZE

9½ inches in diameter

## MATERIALS

- Aunt Lydia's Classic Crochet size 10 crochet cotton (400 yds per ball):  
1 ball #1 white
- Size 7/1.65mm steel crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle



## GAUGE

3 shell rnds = 1 inch; circle = 7/8 inch

## PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join rounds with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

Chain-3 at beginning of round counts as first double crochet unless otherwise stated.

## SPECIAL STITCHES

### 2-double crochet cluster

**(2-dc cl):** [Yo, insert hook in indicated sp, yo, draw up lp, yo, draw through 2 lps on hook] twice in same sp, yo, draw through all 3 lps on hook.

### Beginning 2-double crochet cluster (beg 2-dc cl):

Ch 2, yo, insert hook in same sp as beg ch-2, yo, draw up lp, [yo, draw through 2 lps on hook] twice.

### Beginning shell (beg shell):

**(Beg 2-dc cl—see Special Stitches, ch 3, 2-dc cl—see Special Stitches)** in indicated st or sp.

**Shell:** (2-dc cl, ch 3, 2-dc cl) in indicated st or sp.

## DOILY

**Rnd 1 (RS):** Ch 10, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*) in first ch to form a ring, **ch 3** (see *Pattern Notes*), 31 dc in ring, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (32 dc)

**Rnd 2: Beg shell** (see *Special Stitches*) in same st as joining, ch 7, sk next 3 dc, \*shell (see *Special Stitches*) in next dc, ch 7, sk next 3 dc, rep from \* around, join in beg cl. (8 shells, 8 ch-7 sps)

**Rnd 3:** Sl st in ch-3 sp of beg shell, beg shell in same ch-3 sp, ch 7, [shell in ch-3 sp of next shell, ch 7] around, join in beg cl.

**Rnd 4:** Sl st in ch-3 sp of beg shell, beg shell in same ch-3 sp, \*ch 4, insert hook under next 2 ch-7 sps of previous 2 rnds and complete sc, ch 4\*\*, shell in ch-3 sp of next shell, rep from \* around, ending last rep at \*\*, join in beg cl.

**Note:** Beg the first half of rings in rnd 5, the rings will be worked with the WS facing. Follow rnd closely as rnd contains several turns to complete each half ring.

**Rnd 5:** Sl st in ch-3 sp of shell, \*beg shell in same ch-3 sp, ch 16, sl st in 12th ch from hook (ring formed), ch 3, sl st in last cl made, **turn**, 6 dc in ring, **turn**, sl st in next sc of rnd 4, **turn**, 8 dc in ring, **turn\*\***, sl st in next ch-3 sp of next shell, rep from \* around, ending last rep at \*\*, join in beg cl. (8 half rings completed)

**Rnd 6:** Sl st in ch-3 sp of shell, beg shell in same ch-3 sp, \*ch 1, sl st in first ch of ch-16 (top of first dc), 15 dc in ring, sl st in last dc to close ring (8th dc),

ch 1\*\*, shell in ch-3 sp of shell, rep from \* around, ending last rep at \*\*, join in beg cl. (8 rings completed)

**Rnd 7:** Sl st in ch-3 sp of shell, ch 3, 4 dc in same ch-3 sp, \*ch 1, sk first 3 dc of ring, sc in next dc, ch 3, sk next 3 dc of ring, sc in next dc, ch 1, sk next 3 dc of ring\*\*, 5 dc in next ch-3 sp of shell, rep from \* around, ending last rep at \*\*, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

**Rnd 8:** Ch 3, dc in each of next 4 dc, \*ch 3, sk next ch-1 sp, sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 3, shell in next ch-3 sp of shell, ch 3, sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 3, sk next ch-1 sp\*\*, dc in each of next 5 dc, rep from \* around, ending last rep at \*\*, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

**Rnd 9:** Ch 2, **dc dec** (see *Stitch Guide*) in next 4 dc, \*ch 9, shell in next ch-3 sp of shell, ch 9\*\*, dc dec in next 5 dc, rep from \* around, ending last rep at \*\*, join in beg dc dec.

**Rnd 10:** Ch 1, sc in top of dc dec, \*ch 9, shell in next ch-3 sp of next shell, ch 9\*\*, sc in top of next dc dec, rep from \* around, ending last rep at \*\*, join in beg sc. (8 shells, 8 sc)

**Rnd 11:** Beg shell in sc, \*ch 4, insert hook under next 2 ch-9 sps of previous 2 rnds and complete sc, ch 4, shell in next ch-3 sp of next shell, ch 4, insert hook under next 2 ch-9 sps of previous 2 rnds and complete sc, ch 4\*\*, shell in next sc, rep from \* around, ending last rep at \*\*, join in beg cl. (16 shells)

**Rnd 12:** Rep rnd 5. (16 half rings completed)



*This romantic doily would make a perfect accent for a beautiful bride's table.*

**Rnd 13:** Rep rnd 6. (16 rings completed)

**Rnd 14:** Sl st in ch-3 sp of shell, ch 3, 4 dc in same ch-3 sp, \*ch 3, sk next 3 dc of ring, sc in next dc, ch 3, sk next 3 dc, 5 dc in next dc, ch 3, sk next 3 dc, sc in next dc, ch 3\*\*, sk next 3 dc, 5 dc in next ch-3 sp of shell, rep from

\* around, ending last rep at \*\*, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

**Rnd 15:** Ch 3, dc in each of next 4 dc, ch 3, [dc in each of next 5 dc, ch 3] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (32 groups of 5 dc)

**Rnd 16:** Ch 2, dc dec in next 4 dc, ch 9, [dc dec in next 5 dc, ch 9] around, join in beg dc dec.

**Rnd 17:** Ch 1, sc in same st as beg ch-1, \*10 sc in next ch-9 sp, ch 1, (2-dc cl, ch 4, sl st in 3rd ch from hook, ch 1, 2-dc cl) in top of next dc dec, ch 1, 10 sc in next ch-9 sp, sc in top of next dc dec, rep from \* around, ending last rep at \*\*, join in beg sc. Fasten off. **cw**



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# STITCH GUIDE

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## STITCH ABBREVIATIONS

<b>beg</b> .....	begin/begins/beginning
<b>bpdc</b> .....	back post double crochet
<b>bpsc</b> .....	back post single crochet
<b>bptr</b> .....	back post treble crochet
<b>CC</b> .....	contrasting color
<b>ch(s)</b> .....	chain(s)
<b>ch-</b> .....	refers to chain or space previously made (i.e., ch-1 space)
<b>ch sp(s)</b> .....	chain space(s)
<b>cl(s)</b> .....	cluster(s)
<b>cm</b> .....	centimeter(s)
<b>dc</b> .....	double crochet (singular/plural)
<b>dc dec</b> .....	double crochet 2 or more stitches together, as indicated
<b>dec</b> .....	decrease/decreases/decreasing
<b>dtr</b> .....	double treble crochet
<b>ext</b> .....	extended
<b>fpdc</b> .....	front post double crochet
<b>fpdc</b> .....	front post single crochet
<b>fpstr</b> .....	front post treble crochet
<b>g</b> .....	gram(s)
<b>hdc</b> .....	half double crochet
<b>hdc dec</b> .....	half double crochet 2 or more stitches together, as indicated
<b>inc</b> .....	increase/increases/increasing
<b>lp(s)</b> .....	loop(s)
<b>MC</b> .....	main color
<b>mm</b> .....	millimeter(s)
<b>oz</b> .....	ounce(s)
<b>pc</b> .....	popcorn(s)
<b>rem</b> .....	remain/remains/remaining
<b>rep(s)</b> .....	repeat(s)
<b>rnd(s)</b> .....	round(s)
<b>RS</b> .....	right side
<b>sc</b> .....	single crochet (singular/plural)
<b>sc dec</b> .....	single crochet 2 or more stitches together, as indicated
<b>sk</b> .....	skip/skipped/skipping
<b>sl st(s)</b> .....	slip stitch(es)
<b>sp(s)</b> .....	space(s)/spaced
<b>st(s)</b> .....	stitch(es)
<b>tog</b> .....	together
<b>tr</b> .....	treble crochet
<b>trtr</b> .....	triple treble
<b>WS</b> .....	wrong side
<b>yd(s)</b> .....	yard(s)
<b>yo</b> .....	yarn over

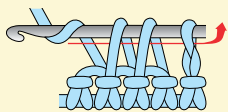
## YARN CONVERSION

OUNCES TO GRAMS	GRAMS TO OUNCES
1.....28.4	25.....7/8
2.....56.7	40.....1 1/2
3.....85.0	50.....1 3/4
4.....113.4	100.....3 1/2

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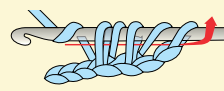
sl st (slip stitch)	=	sc (single crochet)
sc (single crochet)	=	dc (double crochet)
hdc (half double crochet)	=	htr (half treble crochet)
dc (double crochet)	=	tr (treble crochet)
tr (treble crochet)	=	dtr (double treble crochet)
dtr (double treble crochet)	=	ttr (triple treble crochet)
skip	=	miss

**Single crochet decrease (sc dec):**  
(Insert hook, yo, draw lp through) in each of the sts indicated, yo, draw through all lps on hook.



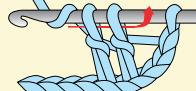
Example of 2-sc dec

**Half double crochet decrease (hdc dec):**  
(Yo, insert hook, yo, draw lp through) in each of the sts indicated, yo, draw through all lps on hook.



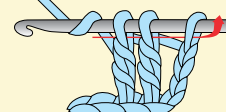
Example of 2-hdc dec

**Double crochet decrease (dc dec):** (Yo, insert hook, yo, draw lp through, yo, draw through 2 lps on hook) in each of the sts indicated, yo, draw through all lps on hook.



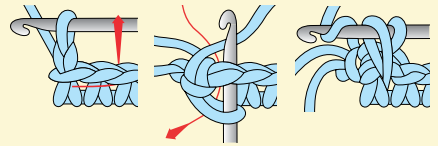
Example of 2-dc dec

**Treble crochet decrease (tr dec):** Hold back last lp of each st, tr in each of the sts indicated, yo, pull through all lps on hook.

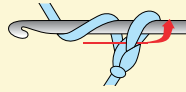


Example of 2-tr dec

**Reverse single crochet (reverse sc):** Ch 1, sk first st, working from left to right, insert hook in next st from front to back, draw up lp on hook, yo, and draw through both lps on hook.

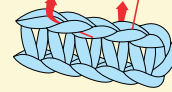


**Chain (ch):** Yo, pull through lp on hook.

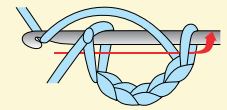


**Front loop (front lp)**  
**Back loop (back lp)**

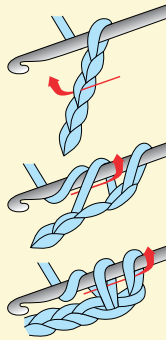
Front Loop Back Loop



**Slip stitch (sl st):** Insert hook in st, pull through both lps on hook.

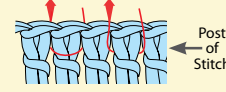


**Single crochet (sc):** Insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, yo, pull through both lps on hook.

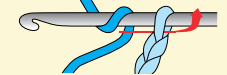


**Front post stitch (fp):**  
**Back post stitch (bp):** When working post st, insert hook from right to left around post of st on previous row.

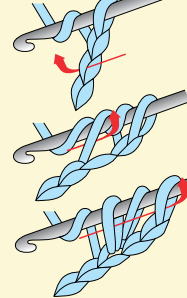
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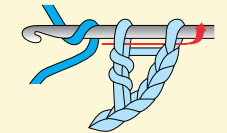
**Chain color change (ch color change)**  
Yo with new color, draw through last lp on hook.



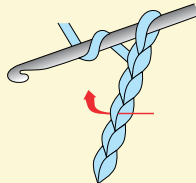
**Half double crochet (hdc):** Yo, insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, yo, pull through all 3 lps on hook.



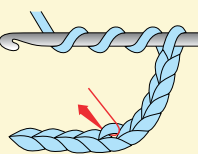
**Double crochet color change (dc color change)**  
Drop first color, yo with new color, draw through last 2 lps of st.



**Double crochet (dc):** Yo, insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, [yo, pull through 2 lps] twice.



**Double treble crochet (dtr):** Yo 3 times, insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, [yo, pull through 2 lps] 4 times.



**Treble crochet (tr):** Yo twice, insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, [yo, pull through 2 lps] 3 times.

