

Filigree Bowl

Designed by Linda Permann.

Stiffened bowl is 10” diameter x 4” high.

AUNT LYDIA’S® “Fashion Crochet”: 1 Ball 6 Scarlet.

Crochet Hook: 3.75mm [US F-5].

Yarn needle; fabric stiffener (or 2 cups sugar, 1 cup water, tongs and 2-qt saucepan); large mixing bowl 10” diameter; plastic wrap; craft paper or newspaper.

GAUGE: Rnds 1 and 2 = 2 1⁄2” diameter. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.**

BOWL: Ch 7; join with a slip st to form a ring.
Rnd 1: Ch 5 (counts as first dc and ch-2 space), [dc in ring, ch 2] 7 times; join with a slip st in 3rd ch of ch-5—8 dc and 8 ch-2 spaces.
Rnd 2: Slip st in next dc, ch 3 (counts as first dc), 4 dc in next ch-2 space, * dc in next dc, 4 dc in next ch-2 space; repeat from * around; join in top of ch-3—40 dc.
Rnd 3: Ch 3, sc in next 2 dc, dc in next dc, ch 5, skip next dc, * dc in next dc, sc in next 2 dc, dc in next dc, ch 5, skip next dc; repeat from * around; join—16 dc, 16 sc and 8 ch-5 spaces.
Rnd 4: * Ch 5, skip next 2 sc, slip st in next dc, (sc, 5 dc, sc) all in next ch-5 space (petal made) **, slip st in next dc; repeat from * around, end at **; join with slip st in joining slip st on Rnd 3—8 petals and 8 ch-5 spaces.
Rnd 5: Slip st in next 3 ch, ch 9 (counts as first dc and ch-6 space), sc in 3rd dc of next petal, ch 6, * dc in 3rd ch of next ch-5 space, ch 6, sc in 3rd dc of next petal, ch 6; repeat from * around; join in 3rd ch of ch-9—8 dc, 8 sc and 16 ch-6 spaces.
Rnd 6: Slip st in next 3 ch, ch 1, sc in same ch-space, ch 10, * sc in next ch-6 space, ch 10; repeat from * around; join in first sc—16 sc and 16 ch-10 spaces.
Rnd 7: Ch 1, * (sc, 3 dc, ch 1, 3 dc, sc) all in next ch-10 space (large petal made); repeat from * around; join—16 large petals.
Rnd 8: Ch 8 (counts as first tr and ch-4 space), skip next 3 sts, sc in next ch-1 space, ch 4, * skip next 4 sts, tr in space between 2 petals, ch 4, skip next 4 sts, sc in next ch-1 space, ch 4; repeat from * around; join in 4th ch of ch-8—16 tr, 16 sc and 32 ch-4 spaces.
Rnd 9: Slip st in next ch-4 space, ch 3, 3 dc in same space, * 4 dc in next ch-4 space; repeat from * around; join in top of ch-3—128 dc.
Rnd 10: Ch 4 (counts as first dc and ch-1 space), skip next dc, * dc in next dc, ch 1, skip next dc; repeat from * around; join in 3rd ch of ch-4—64 dc and 64 ch-1 spaces.
Rnd 11: Ch 1, sc in same ch as joining, sc in next ch, sc in next dc, sc in next ch, * ch 6, skip next dc and next ch **, [sc in next dc, sc in next ch] 3 times; repeat from * to last 2 sts, end at **; sc in next dc, sc in next ch; join in first sc—96 sc and 16 ch-6 spaces.
Rnd 12: Slip st in next 2 sc, * ch 1, [dc, ch 1] 5 times all in next ch-6 space (edge petal made), skip next sc, slip st in next sc, ch 4 **, skip next 2 sc, slip st in next sc; repeat from * around, end at **; join in next slip st—16 edge petals and 16 ch-4 spaces. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

FINISHING-Stiffening: To stiffen bowl, you may use a

commercial fabric stiffener and follow the instructions on the label, or use the homemade sugar-and-water method below. To start, cover your work surface with plastic wrap or a garbage bag and several sheets of newspaper. Place large mixing bowl upside-down on top of paper and cover bowl with plastic wrap to make clean-up easier. Experiment with placement of crocheted bowl on top of mixing bowl before you get started – a smaller/taller bowl will yield a bowl that ruffles at the top, a larger/wider bowl will yield a bowl that is flatter and shorter.

Homemade Stiffener: Combine 2 cups sugar and 1 cup water in saucepan. Heat on stove just until sugar is dissolved. Be careful as solution is very hot! Remove pan from heat and soak crocheted bowl in solution. Let cool slightly. With tongs, remove crocheted bowl from saucepan and drape over mixing bowl, shaping as desired. Once piece has sufficiently cooled, shape bowl further with fingers. Let dry for at least 3 days. When thread returns to normal color, bowl is stiffened and ready for use.

AUNT LYDIA'S® "Fashion Crochet Thread", Size 3, Art. 182 available in solid colors – 150yd (137m) or metallics – 100yd (92m) balls.

ABBREVIATIONS: **ch** = chain; **dc** = double crochet; **mm** = millimeters; **rnd** = round; **sc** = single crochet; **st (s)** = stitch (es); **tr** = treble crochet; *** or **** = repeat whatever follows the * or ** as indicated; **[]** = work directions in brackets the number of times specified.