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SPIRALS WEB RUG / MAT



This pattern gives you instructions to make a spiral rug with any yarn to any size.

Materials

- Yarn: any yarn will work but, the thicker the better!
- A hook (appropriately sized for chosen yarn)
- A needle for neatening ends.

Gauge: Gauge not important, as long as you are producing nice stitches that aren't too loose.

225m of Mega Chunky/Bulky used with a 10.00mm hook will produce a bath mat with a 21" diameter.

This pattern is written in UK terms. Below is a table of US equivalents as applicable.

UK abbreviation	UK term	US abbreviation	US Term
ch	chain		
fpdc	front post double	fpdc	front post single
fphtr	front post half treble	fphdc	front post half double
fpss	front post slip stitch	fpslst	front post slip stitch
fptr	front post treble	fpdc	front post double
rnd(s)	round(s)		
st(s)	stitch(es)		
tr	treble	dc	double crochet
WS	wrong side		

Special Stitches/methods

Front post stitches: Work the stitch as you would normally work it but insert the hook around the stem of the stitch below (from front to back, right to left) instead of into the top of the stitch.

The image shows a fptr (US fpdc) being started. The yarn is round the hook and the hook is inserted ready to work the next stage.



Instructions

Commence with 4ch.



Rnd 1: (WS) 11tr into 3rd ch from hook - 12sts.

When you work the first treble into the third chain from the hook, the other chains lift up behind it. These chains will act as another treble so that, after working eleven trebles, you will have twelve stitches.

The 4th ch is simply there to stop the chain slipping as you work the trebles into it.

Once you have finished the round, tighten the initial chain, weave the yarn through the base of the stitches, fasten off and trim the end. The extra chain should not be noticeable.

All rounds are worked in a spiral from the wrong side.



Continue to rnd 2 - DO NOT JOIN.

Rnd 2: 2fptr around the stem of each of the next 12sts - 24sts.

Note how the hook is inserted under the stem of the stitch instead of into the top of it. Other than the position of the hook, the stitch is completed normally.



Once the second front post treble is completed, it lies to the front of the first one forming a v shape.



You will work two front post trebles into each of the initial (rnd 1) trebles ending with 24 stitches (12 v shaped pairs of front post trebles) around the spiral.



In the rounds that follow, you may find it easier to work around the first leg of the front post treble if you flatten the v shape slightly so that you can more easily see both stitches.

From this point forward, you will continue working until you reach the desired size by following three simple rules.

1. Always work 2fpnr around the first leg of each v shape
2. Always work 1fpnr around the second leg of each v shape
3. Always work 1fpnr around any single fpnr.

If, at any point, you find that the combination of bulky yarn and oversized hook is causing the piece to bunch up (in such a way that blocking is unlikely to correct it), work the corrective row below, before returning to the rules above.

Corrective row: 1fpnr around the stem of each stitch in the row - place a stitch marker into each fpnr that is worked around the first leg of a v shape. When returning to the rules, the marked stitches should be treated as the first leg of a v shape.

Continue in this manner until the rug is the desired size, stopping 3sts before the next v shape. Proceed to the partial round for finishing.

Partial round for finishing: 1fpnr around stem of next st, 1fpdc around stem of next st, 1fpss around stem of next st.

Fasten off and neaten ends.

Flip piece to the other side to reveal the right side and the spiral. Block, as desired, pinning the v shaped stitches out as points.

