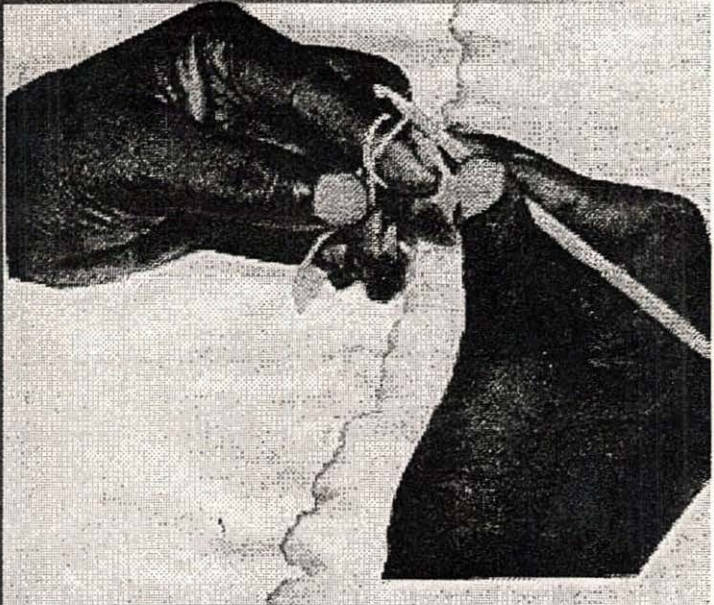




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GUIDE ON



CROCHET BASIC STITCHES

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INTRODUCTION

Time and energy are among the essential resources people use to get what they want. Through them useful skills could be developed. Leisure time can be used in developing useful skills like crochet. The following outline is a very simple approach to making booties (infant foot wear). It pays to save family income by making leisure time productive.

BOOTIES

The booties can be used by 1-4 months old babies. The materials you need are:-

1. Crochet Hook No.2, 1.5cm
2. Thread: one ball Yeye wool.

TABLE 1: Common Abbreviation in Crochet
Used in This Guide

Ch	-	Chain
dc.	-	Double crochet
Tr.	-	Treble

St.	-	Stitches
S.s.	-	Slip stitch

- NOTE:**
1. 2 rows of treble make 2.5 cm (inch) width
 2. The turning chain at the start of every row forms the last stitch on the next row, the first stitch being missed on every row.

METHOD OF WORK

Stage 1.

Ankle:

Make 36 ch

1st row: Make 1 tr. into the 3rd ch from hook, continue with one tr in each of the remaining chains. Make 2 ch. Then turn (36 sts.).

2nd row: Make one treble in each stitch to the end of the row. Repeat these 2 rows until work measures 5cm (2 inches).

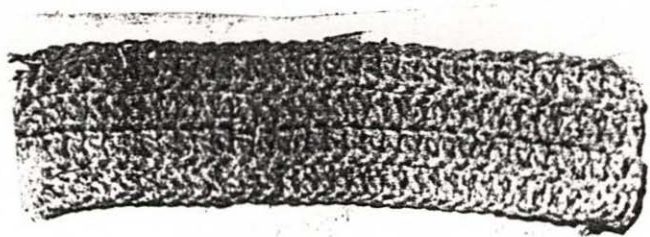


Fig. 1: Stage 1 Ankle.

Stage II

To Shape Foot:

Divide work into three equal parts sts Divide work in to three equal parts (12 sts each) join thread and work 7 rows of treble at the central stitches (12 centre stitches) fasten and then cut thread.

Stage III

TO Form Sole of Feet:

Rejoin thread at the end of 1st stage.

- (1) Work one treble on each of the first 12 ch; pick and make II tr. along the foot, Work 12 tr. On top the foot, 11 tr. along the foot downward and 12 tr. on the last 12 sts . of the ankle (making 58 sts).
 - (2) Make 2 chains and turn.
 - (3) Work 4 rows of treble stitches on these 58 sts or until the sole width is 5cm (2 inches) wide.
4. Fasten and cut thread.

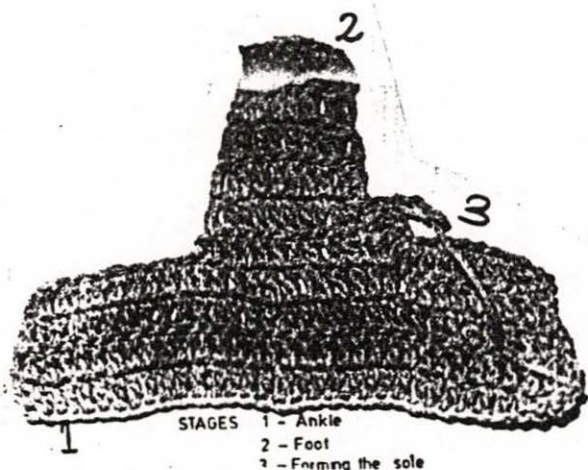


Fig. 2: Stages 1-3

Stages:

1 - Ankle

2 - Foot

3 - Forming the sole.

: Stage IV

To decorate the booties, shell-edge the ankle as follows:

Rejoin thread at the first row of the ankle piece. Make 2 chains, 3 treble in the next stitches miss 3 stitches. Make 1 single crochet in the next stitch. Repeat this to the end of the row. Now turn and work. 4 treble in the single crochet stitches to over-lap the shells. Fasten thread and cut off.



Fig. 3

Shaping the sole and shell-edging the ankle for attractive finishing.

SUMMMARY

Making crochet booties can be a very useful way to utilise your leisure time productivity. The booties can be made into four different sizes and colours depending on your choice. They can be for the new arrival of the family or for generating income to assist the family.