



Crochet Extra

151st Edition- February 2019

I hope you all got to enjoy some down time during the holiday season and crochet for leisure. My son and I went away camping with family and friends where in between swimming, fishing and paddle boarding I was able to just sit and crochet for myself. I didn't get my project finished, but I did get a lot of it done.

With the new year we have some changes – not a lot of new items have arrived, but we do have new colours in the Camilla Batik and whirls. We've also revised our freight charges as we've received price increases from our suppliers and entered into new arrangements with Australia Post to use eParcel where it works out more economical. See details on our [web page](#). Our yarn prices have also been revised, reflecting price increases we've received. We now ship on Wednesdays. Lastly we are looking at several new range of yarns to introduce in coming months – cotton, acrylic and blends.

We have begun planning the 2019 Sunshine Coast Crochet Retreat – to be held September 7 and 8. More details will come shortly. We'll also be looking to help with transport from the Brisbane or Sunshine Coast airport if you need it. We have an exciting theme for helping you become better crocheters.

Next month we will feature our customer corner, so continue to send in photos of yours projects with details of the yarn used and the source of the pattern, and be in the running for a \$25 voucher.



This month's workshop will be making this summer hat by A Crocheted Simplicity. I have used Catona denim, but any 8ply cotton should work. Workshops held Tuesdays 9.30 to 11.30. Please call to book your spot. We will have a special workshop in March to learn pooling with the red heart super saver pooling yarn, which will be run by PurpLe – book your spot now, as this will be a popular class.



Until next time,

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Theme—Yarn Remnants

As a crafty person I find it hard to throw out any bit of yarn, so slowly find my stash building up with lots of leftover balls from projects, ranging in



length from 1m up to 100m. Does this sound familiar? Every now and again I sit down with them all and sort them out and look for ways to turn my scraps into treasures. And of course just after this gift giving season, it's the perfect time to do it again.

Scrap yarn projects are great for many reasons: they don't cost any more money, as you've already bought the yarn; they can be very colourful and full of texture; challenge your creativity by getting you to make new things in different ways; and best of all it makes way for purchasing and trying out new yarns.

The most obvious way of using up these remnants is with small projects – jewellery, flowers and other embellishments, bookmarks, mug hugs, bottle carriers, amigurumi, coasters, dream catchers, mandalas, Pom poms (just to name a few). However they can also be used for larger colourful projects such as afghans, scarves and shawls and even garments. Once you start thinking about it you'll find the projects are endless.

I find that I am constantly on the look out for little things to make to use up my titbits, not only for making way for more yarn but also for quick and economical last minute gifts for family and friends.

I've known many to shy away from large projects with scraps due to the need to change colours and all those ends to be sewn in. See our tip for the best and easy way of changing colours. And as for the ends, sew in as you go (although I always wait a few rows to make sure I don't need to pull it undone).

We've featured below a selection of patterns, books and other tools to help you use up your yarn remnants. Or try this pattern

for a [water bottle carrier](#) from Moogly – the must have accessory during the summer months.



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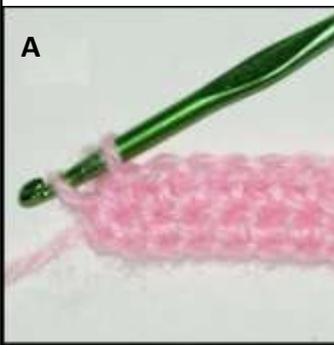
Tip of the Month Colour Changing



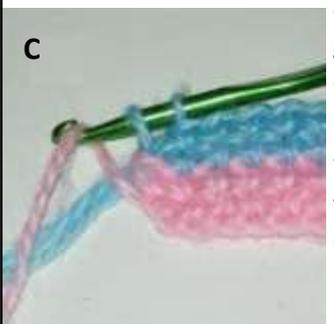
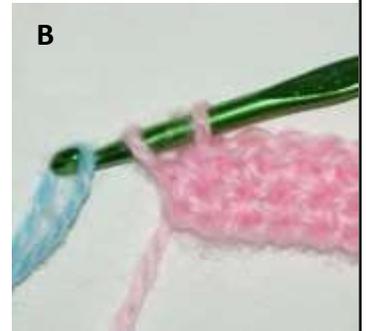
Colourful crocheted items are great to look at and use, but what about all those colour changes? Same for when you are using up your scraps. What is the most effective way of changing colours with yarn (or even adding in a new ball)?

The number one thing is to avoid tying knots! These leave bumps in your work, and it is often hard to ensure that the new colour begins in the spot you want. Below is a technique I came across that works really well, whether changing colours at the beginning of a row, in the middle of a row or even just joining a new ball of the same colour. It can also be used for any stitch, but I have illustrated it using the double crochet, and at the end of a row.

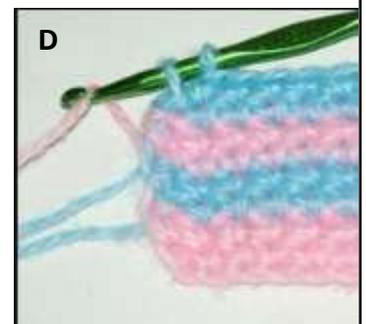
Work in the existing or first colour until the last stitch before you wish to change colours. For the last stitch, work the stitch until there are two loops left on your hook [picture A] (at this stage there is one yarn over to complete to finish the stitch). Work the last yarn over with the new colour you are changing to [picture B].



Then begin your turning chain or next stitch with the new colour. You may need to pull on the first colour yarn so it doesn't come loose as you begin the chain/next stitch. Once you've completed the row, and you don't intend to use that colour again soon, and you are happy that the pattern is right, cut the first yarn, leaving a tail and sew in that end and the end of the new colour.



If you do intend to use the first colour again and this will begin close by (eg the next row) you may wish to carry the yarn rather than cut it and have to re-join. The principle of changing colours is the same as above, but instead of grabbing a new yarn colour, you are grabbing the first colour that you used and pulling it up the side of your work [picture C] – be careful not to pull it too tight.



While you may see the colour changes up the side of your work [picture D], these will be hidden when you add an edge.



Book of the Month



871535 From Scraps to Sensational \$22.50 *Heavy

Special Issue Magazine from Crochet! to use up those bits and pieces of leftover yarn.

This issue provides an abundance of projects taking the scrap crochet to new levels of creativity. There are 39 projects for all ages and tastes and all skill levels.

Fashion accessories - scarf, neckwarmer, cowl, handbag, leg warmers, jewelry, and hat.

Home accents - afghans, blankets, pillow, basket, rug and throws.

Kitchen accessories - napkin rings, tea cozy, dishcloths, coasters and pot holders.

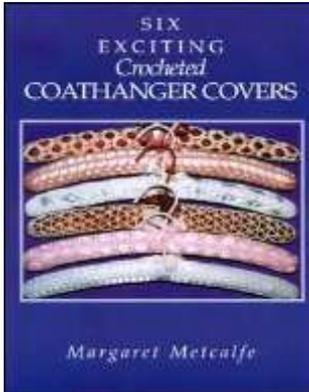
Gifts - tablet cozy, phone case, mug hugs, socks, bands, bags, and washcloths.

Kids - headbands, blocks, baby blanket, and amigurumi toys.

130 pages. US Terminology



Look What We Found



MC001—6 Exciting Cro Coathangers \$7.80



871736 Fiddle Mats, Muffs & Cuffs \$21.50



871033 Crochet Around the Home \$15.00



876507 Hair Accessories \$12.20



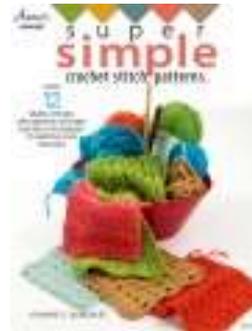
879548 Scrap Crochet \$15.00



ASN1346 Fun-to-crochet Scrapbook Accents \$16.50



ASN1406 Crochet for the Kitchen \$16.35



871738 Super Simple Cro Stitch Patterns \$24.50



LA75050 Little Kitchen Helpers \$8.30



LA5169 More Projects from your Scrap Bag \$13.70



LA5572 Use up that Yarn \$23.50



tfjb Jenny's Bouquet \$9.50



LA4547 Crochet Your Cares Away \$23.60



SP1023—50 Pincushions to Knit & Crochet \$27.50 ** Very Heavy



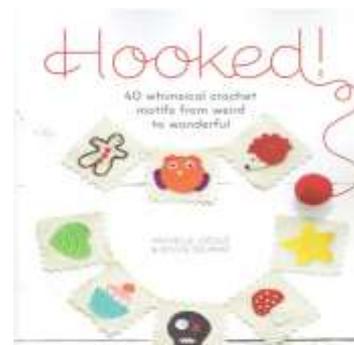
LA4178 Breit Little Things in Thread \$20.25



LA75669 Crochet Garden \$14.50



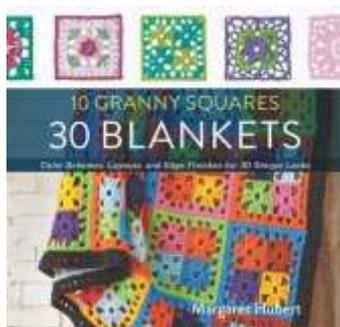
872116 Baby Headbands & Sock Trims \$16.50



DC5751 Hooked \$42.50 * Heavy



IP30951 Mollie Makes Crochet \$38.50 ** Very Heavy



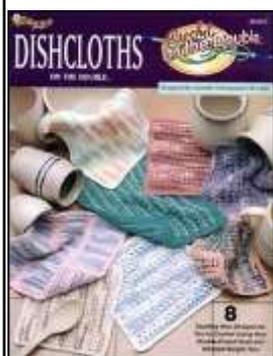
AU3893—10 Granny Squares 30 Blankets \$32.50 ** Very Heavy



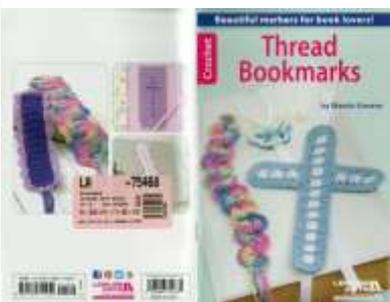
SP3338 100 Little Crochet Gifts to Make \$25.00 ** Very Heavy



871602 Creative Crochet in a Day \$23.50 *Heavy



201013 Dishcloths on the Double \$12.75



LA75468 Thread Bookmarks \$15.20



874051 Special Day bookmarks \$10.95



871750 Miniature Doilies \$24.50

Visiting hours:

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri: 9am—3.00pm

Sat: 1st Saturday of each month 9am—12pm

Wed: Group visits (6 or more) by appointment

Workshops: Tuesdays 9.30am—11.30am bookings recommended

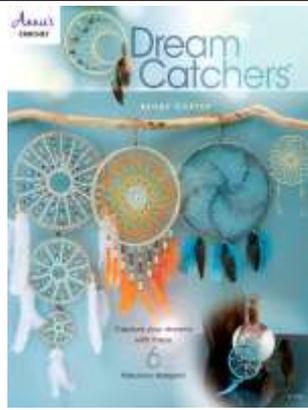
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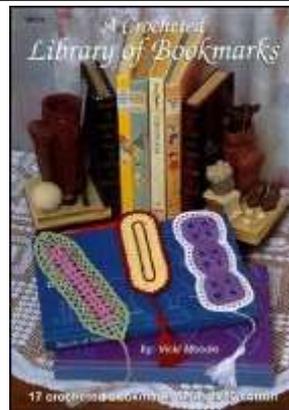
We ship Monday to Friday. We endeavour to ship all orders received before 12pm on these days, and orders received after this are shipped next day business day.



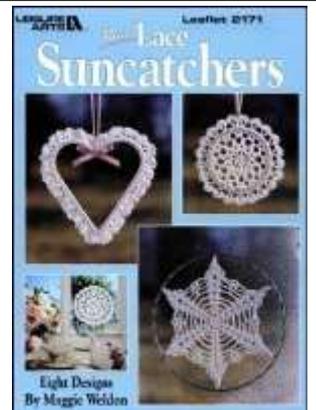
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871700 Dream Catchers \$24.50



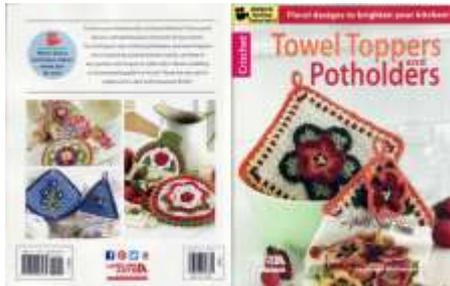
BK28 A Crochet Library of Bookmarks \$13.50



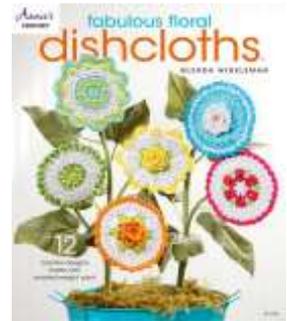
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879516 Itty Bitty Babies \$13.70



LA5733 Towel Topper and Potholders \$16.50



871730 Fabulous Floral Dishcloths \$21.50



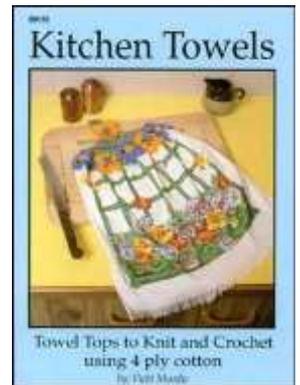
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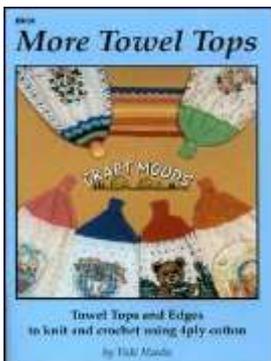
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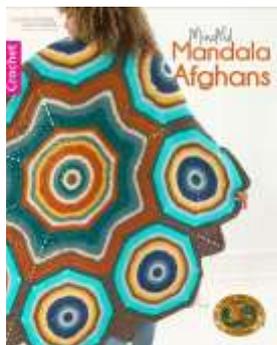
BK11 Knitted Coat-hanger Covers \$13.50



BK16 (Ed2) Kitchen Towels \$13.50



BK06 More Towel Tops (Rev Ed) \$13.50



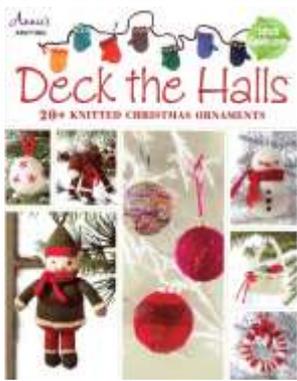
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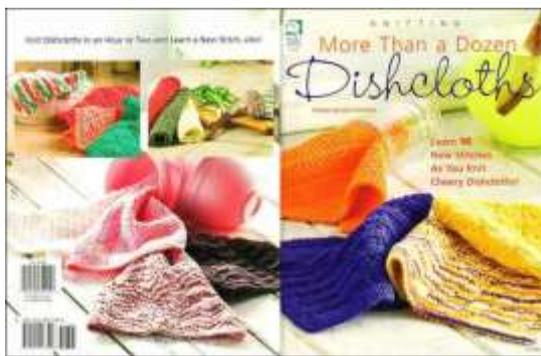
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**SP2911 100 Little Knitted Gifts to Make \$25.00
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ASN1317 Knit a Dozen Baby Socks \$13.35



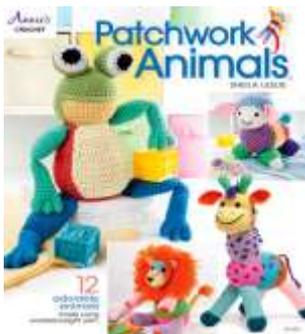
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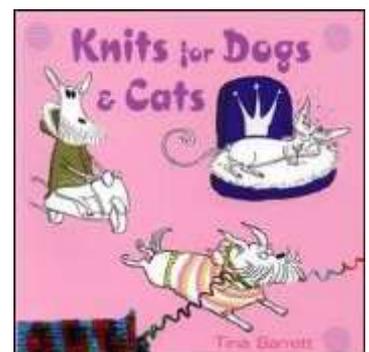
874712 Bag Boutique \$12.30



878536 Think Pink— Crochet for the Cure \$27.50 * Heavy



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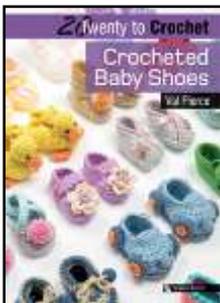
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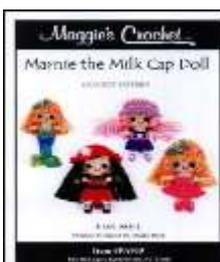
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MCPA915 Marnie Milk Dolls \$11.75



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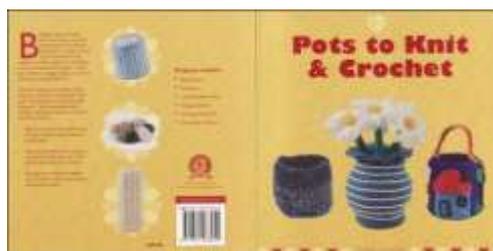
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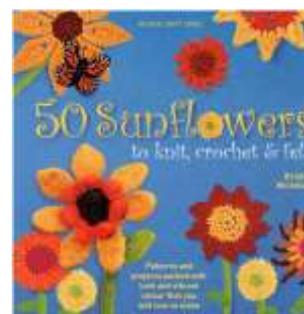
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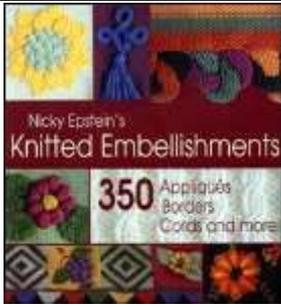
IW88377 Crochet at Home \$37.95 **** Very Heavy**



A8805 Pots to Knit & Crochet \$19.95
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KA1039X Knitted Embellishments
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