

Crochet Extra

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As we welcome in 2013 with renewed enthusiasm, we also say goodbye to the previous year and all the past happenings. Many thanks for cards, good wishes, pressies and other great thoughts from our customers over the break and we hope that 2013 is a great year for all our customers, with health being at the top of the list.



New year resolutions are not usually my thing, but this year I have promised myself some extra time to crochet, sort through my craft room and reflect a bit more on the happenings around me outside of the business. This for me will be a great challenge!

Not a lot new for February but we will keep looking for exciting new products to share with you in the coming months. This month we decided to feature our Symbol Crochet books that have been a popular way of presenting Crochet patterns for many years. It may look confusing but give it a try and you may be surprised how easy the patterns are to follow and it may open up a whole new range of exciting patterns for you.



Just in time for Valentine's day. We have spoked (hemstitched) fabric heart shapes, heart pompom makers (2 sizes) and heart yo-yos in small and medium to make gathered fabric hearts.

Til next month, happy crocheting

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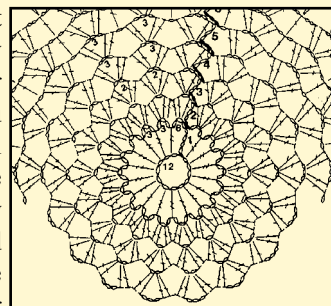
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THEME OF THE MONTH

Filet and Symbol Crochet

Those of you who already crochet from diagram patterns know that there is no language barrier with the terminology when you use these easy to follow symbol patterns, as the same symbols are used world wide. For years many Australian crocheters had used the Crochet Monthly magazine which averaged 12 patterns per edition, then the publication ceased to exist. Crochet Australia



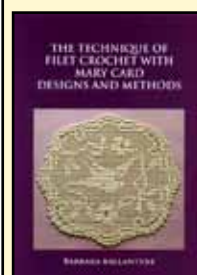
bought up all the remaining back issues of this magazine from the publisher in France and the similar publications Magic Crochet and Decorative Crochet. These two publications have twice as many patterns but sell for a similar price.

To our delight we then discovered the MYM Spanish magazines that cover a wide range of subjects from picture filet, doilies, runners, curtains, tablecloths, edges and more. These chartered books have 30 - 70 pages.

All in all, you can invest and have these now discontinued books at an affordable price as they range from \$9 to \$14. With each of the Spanish books we supply an Aussie terminology information



sheet for all the symbols used. Remember, international symbols dissolve the language barrier. As for the thread used, the hook size is usually the clue.



We also have the Mary Card books, and other publications from Annies that include "how to symbol crochet" books for the novice. So if you have not tried this form of crochet before, then a whole new world awaits you.













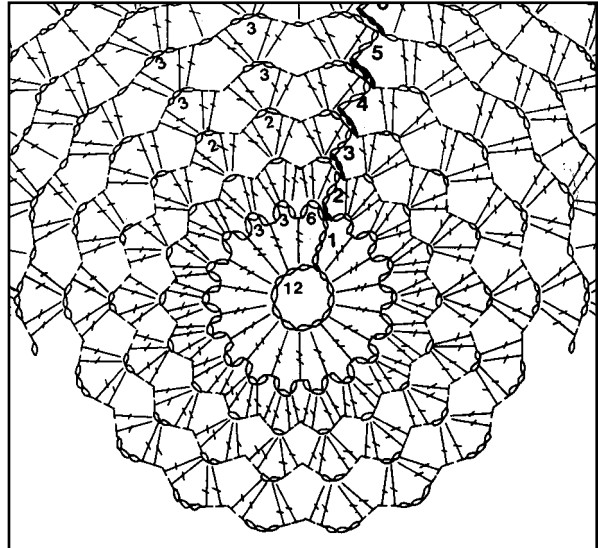
WE'RE HOOKED ON CROCHET!

Explanation of symbol crochet

Symbol crochet overcomes the language barrier between countries and allows access to a much wider range of patterns than just English language crochet instructions. In symbol crochet, each stitch is represented by a little picture or symbol and when these symbols are arranged as a diagram they form a rough picture of the finished article showing how it is made.

Symbol crochet diagrams (or instructions) generally provide all the information required to complete the article, such as the number of chain to start, where to slip stitch to join, the round/row number and explains any special stitches. Many of these patterns provide written instruction for the first few rounds/rows to get you started.

ch		chain
dc		double crochet
		1 ch st = 1 dc in height
htr		half treble
		2 ch sts = 1 htr in height
tr		treble
		3 ch sts = 1 tr in height
dtr		double treble
		4 ch sts = 1 dtr in height
sl st		slip stitch



CROCHETER'S CORNER

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Masterpieces of the Month



Send us a photo of your masterpiece and tell us what book it came from and your masterpiece could feature in the next edition of "Crochet Extra"

Here are some customer comments and masterpieces for this month!

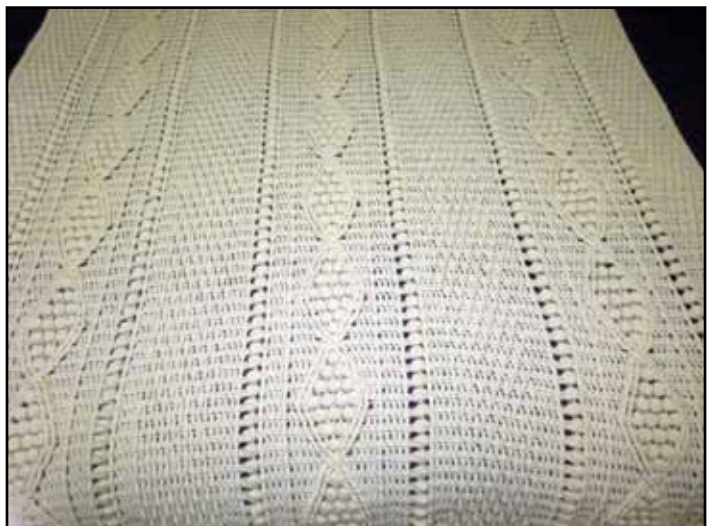
Many thanks for my parcel of wool order over the internet. I am delighted with all the colours of wool I have ordered. Particularly the Dazzle Print Wool - I am glad I ordered 2 balls of each. I can see myself getting more of this wool. I crochet baby rugs and caps for Guardian Pharmacy who then in turn distribute to the Variety Club and these items go out to the needy. I also crochet knee rugs for friends. Thanks for the free Afghan Pattern Book - (I will certainly try these patterns) and for the small Dairy Milk Chocolate. **Roma B, Rara Hills SA.**

Happy Hookers Competition

The Crochet Australia Team is proud to announce the winner of our "Happy Hookers Competition" who will receive a \$20 gift voucher. This is the winner from the November 2012 period.



Congratulations
Heather L
Ashburton VIC



Yo L, Gympie QLD has been at it again mass producing 8ply rugs in Aran crochet. This one is from Heirloom Afghans to Knit and Crochet CL3059. This Fisherman Afghan is traditionally knitted and this has been translated into a crochet pattern by Margaret Wilson. Certainly quicker with crochet.

Entering the competition couldn't be easier. All you have to do is place an order. All orders will enter the random draw which takes place on the last day of every month. Good Luck!!

Thought you might be interested in seeing this, Ginny's pattern "Faith" from her Christmas Book 2. I tatted with Lizbeth 20. It's a very clever little pattern and I am making more of them now. **Maureen L, Eatons Hill QLD.**



Just a note of thanks for the trouble you took with my enquiry and my subsequent order. The threads arrived today and I'm thrilled as they are just what I was looking for. Thank you for your very prompt service and the bonus chockie. **Susanne S, Bexley NSW.**

I refer to our telephone conversation on Friday and advise that the book BK12 Towel Tops and Motifs arrived safely today - what service! Thank you for your advice regarding the knitted patterns. The book is just perfect and I will enjoy trying the designs. I am sure that my mother will be able to manage them. **Mary-Lou M, Mt Eliza VIC.**



The magazines arrived and I was delighted by them and your inclusion of the cotton - you are so thoughtful. My other half devoured the Freddo before it had a chance to become too limp. My Christmas boxes, sent away this morning, included the beautiful shelf edging I crocheted from the magazines and the table centre from another of the magazines goes away as well. They will be lovingly received. **Katherine M, Sarina QLD.**

Katherine is busily working her way through the Spanish books with their wonderful edge patterns.

I received my order today and was surprised at how quickly it arrived; thank you for the fantastic service you provide. **Ann-Maree F, Kalgoorlie WA.**



Maree H, Giralang ACT sent us this delightful photo of a baby Carol doll dressed in her rayon gown.

Just a quick note to say thank you for the order which arrived just two days after we spoke. That is excellent service from you and Australia Post given the time of year. **Anthony B, Killara NSW.**

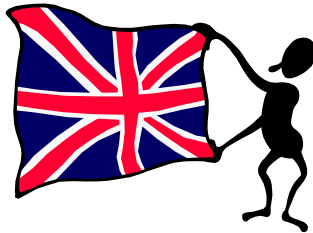


Attached are a couple of photos of recently finished doilies. The cream one is knitted from LA5166 'Knit Doilies' by Rita Weiss and the Blue one (page 4) is crocheted from 871124 'Doilies in Color'. **Susan Z, Nambour QLD.**



Thank you for holding the crochet pouch for me. Shar loves it :-)
She's done a lot for me since I moved in with my sister 18 months ago and I wanted something to thank her. I hope you have an amazing New Year and I'm looking forward to my next order :-)
Veronica S, Beachmere QLD.

The cottons arrived today in excellent condition. My mother, for whom they were ordered, and who is visiting from the UK, is really happy with the cotton, loved the Freddo Frog and passes on her appreciation. The colours are perfect for the apple blossom doily she's making as an entry to the Elderly Action Handicraft show in Leeds later this year. **David M, Mortdale NSW.**



I received my 25mm purse clasps today and can't thank you enough for your prompt service. Frog is a little squashy but refrigerator will fix that. **Barbara H, Upper Kedron QLD.**



I received my express post this morning. Thanks for being so efficient in processing etc. I'm happy with my colour choice.
Michelle F, Zillmere QLD.

I just want to thank you for speedy delivery and choccy :) I have looked at your 'customer masterpieces' and they are amazing.
Emily B, Caboolture QLD.

Just to let you know how much I appreciate you. The service is second to none. The most fuss free I have come across. Have a great new year.
Janet S, Nambucca Heads NSW.



Colleen K, Frenchville QLD tells us that the core flute we send with the books is reused by her granddaughter in her interior design sample rooms. Colleen's floral runner is from an old Coats book 1217 and her embroidered triangle shapes have made delightful doilies. *Well done Colleen.*



Some of Murphy's Laws to ponder!!

1. Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.
2. A fine is a tax for doing wrong. A tax is a fine for doing well.
3. He, who laughs last, thinks slowest.
4. A day without sunshine is like, well, night.
5. Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.
6. Those who live by the sword get shot by those who don't.
7. Nothing is foolproof to a sufficiently talented fool.
8. The 50-50-90 rule: Anytime you have a 50-50 chance of getting something right, there's a 90% probability you'll get it wrong.
9. It is said that if you line up all the cars in the world end-to-end, someone from California would be stupid enough to try to pass them.
10. If the shoe fits, get another one just like it.



Look at the Filet and Symbol Crochet Patterns we found!!



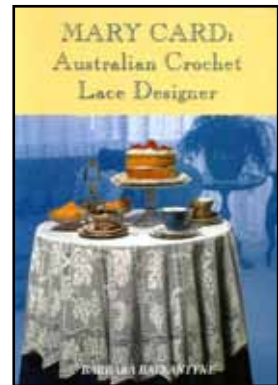
874351 Filet Crochet Afghans in a Day \$12.30



ASN1281 Learn to Filet Crochet in Just One Day \$17.40



BARBAL01 Mary Card: Aust Crochet Lace Designer \$54.90** extra post



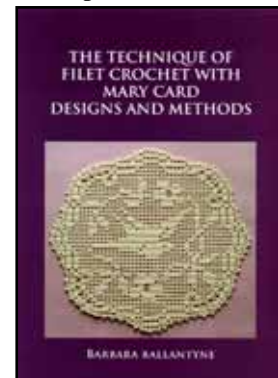
874518 Inspirational Celebrations \$12.30



ASN1385 Filet Throws \$13.35



BARBAL02 Technique of Filet Crochet \$32.95* extra post



875505 Home Accents in Filet Crochet \$11.55



ASN1455 Pretty as a Picture \$12.95



BARBAL04 Mary Card's Crochet Lace Birds \$27.50* extra post



879604Z Filet Crochet Home Decor \$10.00



ASN1458 Learn Symbol Crochet Doilies \$15.95



BARBAL05 Mary Card's Crochet Lace Flowers \$38.50* extra post



FA0587 Crochet Made Easy \$35.10**
extra post



KK05023 Fairy Tale Filet \$12.95



LA5126 Lovely Decor in Filet Crochet \$14.55



Filet and Symbol Crochet MYM Books

The following are Spanish books using International filet and symbol crochet patterns. Knowledge of Spanish language not necessary. A symbol conversion chart will be included when ordering these books. (* These books are heavy and extra postage may apply.)

COLCH04 Filet/Symbol Crochet Bed Spreads \$10.95



Designs include hunter and hunting dogs, dragons, floral, crowns, birds, geometric and more.

PUNTI03 Filet / Symbol Crochet Edges \$11.95*



Some have unusual edges and corners, motifs with character and a bit challenging.

PUNTI15 Filet / Symbol Crochet Edges \$11.95*



Filet bells, geometric, flowers, Dutch girl and geese, teapot, jug and cup and scrolls.

CORTI03 Filet / Symbol Crochet Curtains \$11.95*



Angels, cherubs, butterflies and swans.

PUNTI11 Filet / Symbol Crochet Edges 11 \$11.95*



Filet flowers, geometric, grapes, hearts, leaves, shells, I.H.S., bells and birds.

MANTE01 Filet/Symbol Crochet Tablecloths \$11.95*



Filet floral, tulips, scrolls and geometric.

CORTI04 Filet / Symbol Crochet Curtains \$11.95*



Cherubs, geometric, birds, flowers, grapes and leaves, medieval cats.

PUNTI12 Filet / Symbol Crochet Edges 12 \$11.95*



Filet daffodil, fuchsia, leaves, geometric and birds.

MANTE03 Filet/Symbol Crochet Tablecloths \$11.95*



Filet flowers, squirrels, leaves, bows, geometric, birds, peacocks and hearts.

MANTE04 Filet/Symbol Crochet Tablecloths \$11.95*



Filet flowers, flower bunches, geometric, and scrolls.

GANCH24 Filet / Symbol Crochet \$10.95*



Filet and symbol patterns (some Irish) for runners, doilies, tablecloths, curtains, bedspreads, edges and insertions, motifs and lampshades. Floral filet.

GANCH28 Filet / Symbol Crochet \$10.95*



Filet scrolls, floral, basket and flowers, geometric.

GANCH30 Filet / Symbol Crochet \$10.95*



Filet and symbol patterns (some Irish) for tablecloths, bedspreads, curtains, doilies and blouses. Filet scrolls, floral, hearts.

GANCH71 Filet / Symbol Crochet \$10.95*



Filet teapot and cups, flowers, hanging basket (curtain), floral and scrolls.

GANCH75 Filet / Symbol Crochet \$10.95*



Filet and symbol patterns for tablecloths, bedspreads, curtains, runners, centres, 3 piece, doilies, placemats, edges and insertions. Swan chair rests, child's dress, floral corners and 3 piece set. Filet fruit basket.

GANCH82 Filet/Symbol Crochet \$10.95*



Tablecloths, bedspreads, runners, centres, 3 piece, doilies, edges and insertions. Filet floral, birds and deer, towel edges

GANCH88 Filet/Symbol Crochet \$10.95*



Tablecloths, runners, centres, 3 piece, doilies, and edges. Horse chair rest, fan and little hats, filet grapes, floral and leaves.

GANCH94 Filet/Symbol Crochet \$10.95*



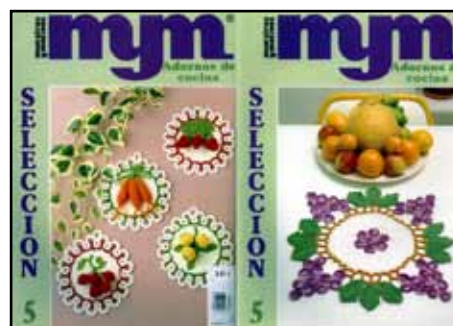
Pillows, ladies singlet, edging with wine pitcher, filet floral and geometric.

SELEC01 MYM Mag01 Filet Cro \$10.95*



Filet basket of flowers, roses, butterflies, bird and nest, cherubs, man and lady, doves and goblet, eagles and canary.

SELEC05 MYM Mag05 Kitchen Accessories \$10.95*



Animal pot holders (fish, butterfly, chicken and cat) Irish doilies, grape and leaves, butterflies, aprons, some simple doilies, lots of colour. 3D fruit. All the star signs in Filet

SELEC12 MYM Mag12 Symbol Tablecloths \$10.95*



Symbol crochet patterns (a lot of Irish) for round and square tablecloths. Beautiful filet floral, scrolls, leaves.

SELEC15 MYM Mag15 Filet Tablecloths \$10.95*



Round, oblong and square tablecloths, some with fabric insertion, other edges, a few from motifs, Bruges lace. Filet floral, geometric and ring of flowers.

SELEC18 MYM Mag18 Symbol Tablecloths \$10.95*



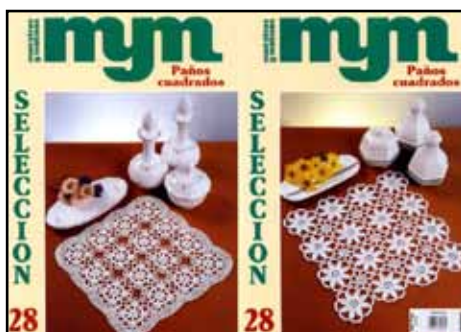
Round tablecloths, Bruges laces, tassels, filet, pineapples, the segment look, heavy motifs, star centre, something for everyone.

SELEC31 MYM Mag31 Filet Tablecloths \$10.95*



Oblong and square tablecloths, some with fabric cross stitch square, some motifs in fabric, a lot of filet, one has an 8 sided star centre and flowers.

SELEC28 MYM Filet Crochet Doilies \$10.95*



Squares with a difference, some using motifs. Filet floral, scrolls, medieval and leaves.

SELEC20 MYM Mag20 Filet Crochet Curtains \$10.95*



Filet birds, goblet with fruit, flowers, vines, geometric, maidens, two ballerinas, some very open and dainty.

SELEC22 MYM Mag22 Symb Cro Doilies \$10.95*



Mostly round but one an unusual star shape. Some simple ones with hairpin lace and some with Irish. Filet floral, geometric, pineapple and roses.

The following magazines are old publications, some up to 30 years old and are the last available copies from the publisher, so do not miss these. They have been in a warehouse for a long time so may be not in "new" tip top condition. They are not second-hand, simply aged.

MAGCROMHLY252 Crochet Monthly Mag 252 \$9.00



Round doilies 34 - 48cm, square pinecone tablecloth, basket, ladies top with shell design below the waist and hat, stiffened bowls, hummingbird, 97cm round table cloth with floral center and wheat edge.

MAGCROMHLY269 Crochet Monthly Mag 269 \$9.00



Round doilies, curtain made from round motifs, Irish crochet square mat, cross motifs bedspread, star round doily, square tablecloth, checkerboard cushion, ladies summer top, babies dress and summer top, baby rug with hood, doilies runner and trim in motifs, country kitchen edging, oval table runner with butterflies and Irish roses.

MAGCROMHLY271 Crochet Monthly Mag 271 \$9.00



Ladies matching hat and bag, square mate with filet rose edge, filet bedspread geometric design, round filet mat with rose and leaves centre, windmills bedspread, 3 ladies fashion belts, anemones edging, small set of stiffened drawers, weeping willow cloth worked in motifs, interesting mat made from 7 large round motifs, Irish crochet rose and leaf mat from 4 very large motifs, interesting pillow with inserted ribbon and round doilies with floral centres.

MAGCROMHLY286 Crochet Monthly Mag 286 \$9.00



Popcorn bedspread, whirligig rectangle mat, ladies summer top from floral motifs, round peacock eye doily with popcorns, cushion cover from motifs, another is square, rose filet curtain, round doily with pineapple and Solomon's knot, bedspread from diamond and popcorns, starfish mat, cloth with filet insertion an edging, filet oval mat with basket of flowers and bows and 6cm deep edging.

**MAGCROMHLY288 Crochet Monthly
Mag 288 \$9.00**



82cm square mat from squares with tiny flowers, rectangle cloth from circles, round doilies from 15 – 80cm, oval doily with circle centre which leads to large pine cones, 30 cm square doily, large 3d corolla flower, floral insertion lace, round Irish doily, 6 sided cloth from pretty circular motifs, very pretty round doily with a patchwork effect, Solomon's knot oblong doily with a floral edging and a ladies summer dress 38- 48".

**MAGCROMHLY298 Crochet Monthly
Mag 298 \$9.00**



Using square motifs create a square mats, oblong and oval doilies and with round motifs, filet wall hanger with a geometric design, filet runner 118cm x 37cm, large round doilies 32, 45, 58 and 54cm, oval doily 30 x 70cm and round cloth 140cm in diameter.

**MAGCROMHLY331 Crochet Monthly
Mag 331 \$9.00**



Filet cloth 170cm in diameter and edged with flowers. Add a very pretty pineapple and fan doily, some motif mats, an 8 sided star doily, lovely trim for a curtain, 34cm open square doily, a simple throw worked from the centre, a breezy curtain with fans, 47cm round doily with a pretty diamond picot edging, 40 x 31 cm filet centerpiece, a star doily with Solomon's Knots, runner with a textured pattern and round doilies 46cm - 69cm diameter.

**MAGDECOR085 Decorative Crochet
Mag 85 \$10.00**



Large filet cat mat, curtain tie backs, large oval doilies, cloths from large round motifs, filet fish square mat, ladies halter top, round and square doilies from 8", rhododendron doily, collars, 32" round cloth, ladies summer top and matching cap, even a Santa Maria ship and lots of beautiful open doilies.

**MAGDECOR093 Decorative Crochet
Mag 93 \$10.00**



Dogwood motif rectangle mat, follow with the unusual Doily of plenitude which could be described as a small oval in a square doily, a grand filet rectangle cloth 43 x 70" bit of a challenge but worth the effort, 20" hearts and stars doily, some beautiful large round doilies with style, a 8 sided star 22" doily with popcorns, some smaller doilies from 7", decorative basket, lace edgings, clever and effective Bruges lace edging on an oval doily, bedspreads from motifs, a oblong mat 8 x 10" with tiny motifs in the centre part and the edge, a fancy sachet that is definitely different and a lampshade.

**MAGDECOR096 Decorative Crochet
Mag 96 \$10.00**



Unusual doily called Rings and things made from Irish leaves - picots worked to form a centre star and small rings, filet bedspread with geometrical diamond design, unusual oval doily with 2 pineapples forming the centre, 7 pointed star heptagon doily, round and square doilies from 8" - 27" - some from motifs, a great oblong tablecloth from large star motifs, beautiful pillow, a tulip filet 14" square, filet placemats and coasters, 48" square cloth from large motifs, a beautiful baby rug from cotton, some delicate doilies of different shapes and a 48" round table topper geometrical design.

**MAGMAGIC137 Magic Crochet Mag
137 \$11.00**



Filet four leaf clover cushion, kitten runner, violin filet, placemats and coasters, large roses bedspread, Irish crochet heart centered pillow flower and grapes, and another with butterflies, Victorian collar, heart shaped sun catcher, oval sideboard runners, pineapple doily with heart edge, fan, round and oblong doilies, lattice round cloth 65" across, cobweb curtains, beautiful round 55" tablecloth with wheat and leaf design, unusual diamond shaped doily, outfit for fashion doll, beach bag, ladies long vest and matching cardigan and top.

**MAGMAGIC141 Magic Crochet Mag
141 \$11.00**



33" square mat, pasque flower edging, square motif cushion, bedspread, unusual cushion in thread, ladies sleeveless top and bag with roses, unusual round cloth worked in large diamond motifs, open doily with Irish leaves, oblong cloth, round doilies 10"- 22", child's sweater and hat to fit 2 years, baby blanket, runners, ladies top with the bra look, large round cloth and a bedspread.

**MAGMAGIC147 Magic Crochet Mag
147 \$11.00**



Round doilies 13 - 24", ethnic runner worked in diamond bands, motif bedspread, bed of tulips runner in square motifs, filet curtain, shelf edging, a butterfly runner with the wow factor, ladies summer top, very pretty filet tulip 65"diameter round cloth, oval runner, ruffled pillow, towel edging and a filet light shade.