PROJECT
Rug

# Rope Crochet

(*Clothesline crochet*)

This is an easy way to crochet a strong rug.

## WHAT DO YOU NEED?

A roll of string that you buy at a hardware store
Crochet thread of your choice

## WHAT CAN YOU CROCHET WITH THAT?

Small or large round rug, basket or placemats

✔ The carpet will last for years.

✘ This kind of crocheting is quite tough on your fingers.

## TIPS

- You can use any rope in any thickness.
- The thicker the rope, the thicker the crochet thread which you should use to cover it.

# DO IT THIS WAY

**STEP 1:** Make a slipknot.

**STEP 2:** Hold the slip knot on the crochet hook back of the rope.

**STEP 3:** Bring the crochet hook to the front and under the rope, hook the crochet thread and bring it around the rope.

**STEP 4:** Put the thread around the crochet hook and pull it through both loops.

**STEP 5:** The thread you are working with remains at the back of the rope.

**STEP 6:** Insert the crochet hook again under the string to the back, hook the thread, bring it around the string to the front, put the thread around the crochet pin and pull it through both loops on the pin.

**STEP 7:** Repeat step 6 a total of 10 times.

**STEP 8:** Move the stitches so that you have a short piece of open rope to work with.

**STEP 9:** Fold the short end of the rope as tightly as possible down and back in a circle until the first and last crochet stitch are against each other.

**STEP 10:** Hold it as tight as possible.

**STEP 11:** Make 2 dc in each of the 10 dc around the rope (20 dc).

**STEP 12:** Place a marker in the 20th (last) dc.

**STEP 13:** Roll rope around the center circle as you go and make dc around the string as follows:

**Next row:** 1 dc in 1st dc, 2 dc in next dc, *1 dc in next dc2 dc in next dc, repeat from * around, dc in 1st dc at beg. Place marker in last st (30 kb).

**Next row:** 1 ch, *1 dc in each of next 2 dc, 2 dc in next dc, repeat from * around, dc in 1st dc.
Move marker to last kb (40 kb).

**Next row:** 1 ch, *1 dc in each of next 3 dc, 2 dc in next dc, repeat from * around, dc in 1st dc.
Move marker to last kb (50 kb).

**Next row:** 1 ch, *1 dc in each of next 4 dc, 2 dc in next dc, repeat from * around, dc in 1st dc.
Move marker to last kb (60 kb).

**STEP 14:** Repeat last row with one more dc between two dc in 1 dc until end of rope

**STEP 15:** To add new ball of crochet thread, pull new ball's thread through the last two loops of the last dc of the previous ball.

**STEP 16:** Pull the two loose ends tighter behind and work over the loose ends to work them away.

**STEP 17:** Continue as before to desired size.

**STEP 18:** Cut off crochet thread and pull the end firmly through the last loop.

## NEEDS

YARN ART Macrame Cotton Spectrum (250 g)
2 balls in color 1327
30 m of cotton rope of 5 mm in diameter
6 mm crochet hook

### ALTERNATIVE

Any extra thick crochet thread of your choice
Recommended crochet hook for your crochet thread

## TIPS

- Rope is available at hardware stores.
- Cotton thread works well for the rug.
- If the carpet starts to curl at the end, work one or two rows without increases to pull it flat again.
- For lager mat overlap end and begining of rope and crochet over both.

## DIRECTIONS

Start a little way from the end of the rope and make 10 kb around the rope. Fold the end of the rope tightly in a circle to the back. Wrap rope around your first row of dc and make 2 dc in each dc around rope, sl st in first dc at beg.
Cut string and pull through last loop to secure.
Sew away end.

## FINISH

Sew away the point at the end on the back.
Lay the mat flat, cover with a damp cloth and let dry.