

Beaded Placemat



Materials:

Bernat Handicrafter cotton, or other worsted weight cotton yarn, 160 yds of Off-White (per placemat)
Crochet hook size K
18 wooden beads, one-half inch diameter (per placemat)
Yarn needle

Gauge:

5 dc = 1.5 inches; 3 dc rows = 1.5 inches
Finished mat size: 11.5 x 18 inches

Abbreviations:

Ch = chain

Sl st = slip stitch

St = stitch

Sc = single crochet

Dc = double crochet

Sp = space

YO = yarn over

Bead dc = work first half of dc, slide bead up on hook, complete dc

Instructions:

You may string beads on yarn before beginning mat, or you may fasten yarn at end of row 16, string beads onto yarn and attach yarn again.

NOTE: Ch-3 counts as first dc.

Ch 49.

Row 1: Dc in fourth ch from hook and in each ch across; ch 3, turn. (47 dcs)

Rows 2 - 4: Dc in each st across; ch 3, turn.

Row 5: 2 dc, *skip next st, work 3 dc in next st, skip next st, dc in next st; repeat from * across, ending last repeat with dc in last 2 sts. Ch 3, turn. (11 three-dc shells)

Row 6-8: Dc in each st across; ch 3, turn.

Row 9: Repeat row 5.

Rows 10-12: Dc in each st across; ch 3, turn.

Row 13: Repeat row 5.

Rows 14-16: Dc in each st across; ch 3, turn. (Do not turn at end of row 16.)

Begin to work in rounds:

Beading Rnd: Ch 3, bead dc in same sp, *3 dc evenly spaced along end of work, bead dc in next st; repeat from * along end of mat until 9 beads have been placed. Work 3 dc in same st as last bead dc, dc in each st across placemat, ending with (3 dc, bead dc) in last st. Repeat entire sequence from * , ending with 2 dc in the first st of this rnd. Join with sl st to top of ch-3.

Rnd 2: Ch 1, sc in same sp, sc in each st around mat, working 2 sc in each corner st. Join with sl st to first sc. Fasten yarn and weave in ends.

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