

## Bess's Lace

Mama Bess Square # 4  
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*Photo of Sandie's 6" square*

### **MATERIALS:**

any color 4-ply worsted weight yarn, size H hook

### **SPECIAL STITCHES**

#### **Beginning Cluster (beg CL):**

Ch 3; (YO, insert hook in sp, YO, draw through 2 loops) 2 times; YO and pull through all 3 loops on hook.

#### **Cluster (CL):**

(YO, insert hook in sp, YO, draw through 2 loops) 3 times, YO, pull through all 4 loops on hook.

### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

Ch 8, join with sl st in first ch to form ring.

**Round 1:** Work beg cl; ch 3; (CL, ch 3) 7 times; join with sl st to top of beg CL. (8 ch-3 sp).

**Round 2:** Sl st in next ch-3 sp; ch 1; sc in same sp; ch 5; (sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 5) 7 times; join with sl st in first sc. (8 ch-5 sp.)

**Round 3:** Sl st in next ch-5 sp; ch 3; work (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp - beg corner made; \*ch 2; 5 dc in next ch-5 sp; ch 2; in next ch-5 sp work (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) - corner made; rep from \* twice more; ch 2; 5 dc in next ch-5 sp; ch 2; join with sl st to 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

**Round 4:** Sl st in next 2 dc and in ch-2 sp; work beg corner; ±\*ch 3; sc in next ch-2 sp; ch 3; sc in 3rd dc of 5-dc group of Round 3; ch 3; sc in next ch-2 sp; ch 3±; work corner; rep from \* twice more; rep ± to ± once; join with sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

**Round 5:** Sl st in next 2 dc and in ch-2 sp; ch 3; (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in same sp; ±\* dc in next 3 dc; (3 dc in next ch-3 sp) 4 times; dc in next 3 dc± ; work (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) for corner; rep from \* twice more; rep ± to ± once; join with sl st to 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

#### \*\*\* NOTE\*\*\*

For 6" square, finish off.

For 7" square, continue with Round 6.

**Round 6:** Sl st in next dc and in ch-2 sp; ch 3; (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in same sp; \*dc in next 22 st; work (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) for corner; rep from \* twice more; dc in next 22 st; join with sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

Finish off.

