



New Mexico 4-H Greentop Project Guide



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New Mexico 4-H Crochet I & Advanced A 4-H Fibercraft Project

In this project youth will learn (using 4-Ply yarn):

Level I

- To read and follow instructions for basic crochet stitches.
- To understand abbreviations for stitches and procedures.
- To handle yarn and needle correctly.
- To check gauge of stitches and patterns.
- To increase and decrease stitches.
- To block and join crocheted pieces with a needle.

Level II

- The half double and triple crochet stitches.
- A variety of patterned crochet stitches (star, shell, popcorn, cluster, V-stitch, open mesh, loop, knot, etc.).
- To join yarn and change colors.
- To make a crocheted edging using picot, picot-loop, open shell, or mesh stitches.
- To join crocheted pieces using a crochet hook.

Level III

- Afghan stitch
- Broomstick lace
- Hairpin lace

In this project you will:

Level I

- Study needlecraft magazines and books for information on crochet needles, yarns and threads, stitches and patterns.
- Learn single and double crochet stitches by making at least two articles (slippers, scarf, square or rectangle cap, head or ski band).
- Make an article using a simple granny square design (shrink top, poncho, pillow top).

Level II

- Study needlecraft magazines and books for project ideas and instructions for a variety of patterned crochet stitches.
- Make a large article for yourself and your home using a pattern stitch.
- Practice crocheting with crochet thread and appropriate crochet hook.
- Compute the cost of the finished products you plan to exhibit based on cost of material and time invested. Compare cost and quality with similar machine-made items.

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Level III

- Study needlecraft magazines and books for techniques and project ideas for the above crochet techniques.
- For practice make several small article (at least three) using each of the above stitches.
- Compute the cost of the finished products you plan to exhibit based on cost of material and time invested. Compare cost and quality with similar machine-made items.

Exhibit (with record sheet):

Level I

- One article using a combination of single and double crochet stitches.
- One article using granny square design in pattern.

Level II

- An article of yarn for self or home using basic crochet stitches and one or more pattern stitches (Sweater; afghan; suit; cap, muffler, and mitten set; rug; etc.).
- An article of thread for home or self, using basic crochet stitches and one or more pattern stitches (Placemat, tablecloth, pillow covers, doily set, etc.).

Level III

- An afghan, bedspread, or tablecloth using one or a combination of the above stitches.

Required Publications:

- 4-H Crochet Project and Record Book 100.C-3 (R-06)

Materials included with this project:

- 4-H Project Record Sheet 300 A-7 (R-2002)
- 4-H Crochet Project Greentop # 400.C-3

Requirements:

- Review your project book, record sheet and greentop to become familiar with the project before first Project meeting or practice.
- Complete the General Project Guidelines.
- Participate in club and county, district or state contests.
- Participate at county and state fairs.
- For completion of the Crochet Project, complete the record sheet and turn in a county record book to your local Extension Agent.
- Project requirements vary according to First Year or Second Year.

Items made can be exhibited at local fairs depending on your experience:

- Local county fairs.
- Demonstration project.

Leadership Activities

- Give a talk or demonstration about your crochet project at your club or county contest.
- Assist with fairs or Achievement Day in your county.
- Teach another person one of your skills you've learned.

Citizenship Activities

- Donating what you have created to a local nursing home or Senior Center during Christmas or any other opportunity that presents itself.
- Donate items created for a 4-H fundraiser.

Other related projects/publications

- Needlepoint
- Embroidery
- Cross Stitch
- Other publications available on line at <http://cahe.nmsu.edu/pubs/>

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