## **Ballerina Doll Pattern**



I edited these pattern from my collection of vintage patterns to include information about the original thread and where to buy substitutions, crochet patterns in both US and UK terms, and added UK, US, and Australian yarn names for all my overseas friends.

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## **REQUIREMENTS:**

**THREAD: Bedspread Crochet Cotton** 

1-ball trimming silk

CROCHET HOOK: 1 steel No. 3 (2.10 mm)

8-inch Character Doll

8-inch Character Doll These were plastic dolls. Amazon and Walmart have the half dolls that you could use to make bed pillow dolls. You might be able to find some of the originals on ebay, or you could make your own dolls or buy the Darice muslin Dolls.

## Pattern in US Terms

DRESS YOKE: Using the No. 3 (2.10 mm) steel hook and crochet cotton, make a chain of 37 sts, turn; 1 sc in 2nd st from hook, 1 sc in each st of chain (36 sc). Ch 1, turn.

Row 2: Make 1 sc in each st across.

Row 3: Repeat row 2.

Row 4: Work in sc, decreasing 4 sts across row.

Row 5: Work even in sc.

Row 6: Repeat row 4.

Rows 7-8-9-10: Work even in sc. Ch 3, turn.

Row 11: Beginning of skirt. \* Working through the back thread only, 1 dc in next st, 2 dc in next st; repeat from \* across row, join with a slip st in top of ch-3. Ch 3.

Round 12: Working through both loops of st, make 2 dc in each st around. Join rd. Ch 3.

Round 13: \* 2 dc in next st, 1 dc in next st; repeat from \* around.

Join rd. Ch 3.

Round 14: Repeat 13th rd.

Round 15: \* 2 dc in next st, 1 dc in each of the next 2 sts; repeat from \* around.

Join rd. Break thread.

Tie in trimming silk and make 1 sc in each st around.

Fasten off.

OVER SKIRT: Tie thread at center back of skirt and working on the front thread of first row, \* make 2 dc in next st, 1 dc in next st; repeat from \* around.

2nd rd: Make 2 dc in each st around.

3rd rd: \* 2 dc in next st, 1 dc in next st; repeat from \* around.

Join rd.

Break off thread.

in silk and make 1 sc in each st around.

Fasten off.

Shoulder: Counting from back edge of bodice, tie thread in at the 6th st, make 1 sc in next 2 sts, ch 1, turn.

Next row: 1 sc in 2 sts, ch 1, turn.

Repeat last row until the piece measures 11/4 inches (3.18 cm).

Break thread leaving 8 inches (20.32 cm) to sew this piece onto front of dress yoke.

Leave 10 sts for front neck edge.

Make the other shoulder to correspond.

Frill at neck edge: Tie thread at one side of back, working from the wrong side, make 2 dc in each st across back, up along strap, across front neck edge and down other side to correspond to first shoulder. Break off thread. Tie in trimming silk and make 1 sc in each st around.

Fasten off.

SLEEVES: Tie thread at underarm edge and working from right side of work, make 34 dc around armhole.

Join round.

Break thread.

Tie in trimming silk and make 1 sc in each st around.

Fasten off.

PANTIES: Using the thread, make a chain of 31 sts, turn, 1 sc in 2nd chain from

hook and in each of the remaining chain sts (30 sts).

Ch 3, turn.

2nd row: Dc across row, increasing 4 sts across row.

3rd and 4th rows: Repeat row 2.

Join with a slip st.

Last round: Make 1 dc in each st across row.

Break thread leaving 12 inches (30.48 cm).

Fold piece in two and catch together through center, loosely, to form a crotch.

Pattern in UK Terms

DRESS YOKE: Using the No. 3 (2.10 mm) steel hook and crochet cotton, make a chain of 37 sts, turn; 1 dc in 2nd st from hook, 1 dc in each st of chain (36 dc). Ch 1, turn.

Row 2: Make 1 dc in each st across.

Row 3: Repeat row 2.

Row 4: Work in dc, decreasing 4 sts across row.

Row 5: Work even in dc.

Row 6: Repeat row 4.

Rows 7-8-9-10: Work even in dc. Ch 3, turn.

Row 11: Beginning of skirt. \* Working through the back thread only, 1 tr in next st, 2 tr in next st; repeat from \* across row, join with a slip st in top of ch-3. Ch 3.

Round 12: Working through both loops of st, make 2 tr in each st around. Join rd. Ch 3.

Round 13: \* 2 tr in next st, 1 tr in next st; repeat from \* around.

Join rd. Ch 3.

Round 14: Repeat 13th rd.

Round 15: \* 2 tr in next st, 1 tr in each of the next 2 sts; repeat from \* around.

Join rd. Break thread.

Tie in trimming silk and make 1 dc in each st around.

Fasten off.

OVER SKIRT: Tie thread at center back of skirt and working on the front thread of first row, \* make 2 tr in next st, 1 tr in next st; repeat from \* around.

Join rd.

2nd rd: Make 2 tr in each st around.

3rd rd: \* 2 tr in next st, 1 tr in next st; repeat from \* around.

Join rd.

Break off thread.

in silk and make 1 dc in each st around.

Fasten off.

Shoulder: Counting from back edge of bodice, tie thread in at the 6th st, make 1 dc i n next 2 sts, ch 1, turn.

Next row: 1 dc in 2 sts, ch 1, turn.

Repeat last row until the piece measures 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> inches (3.18 cm).

Break thread leaving 8 inches (20.32 cm) to sew this piece onto front of dress yoke.

Leave 10 sts for front neck edge.

Make the other shoulder to correspond.

Frill at neck edge: Tie thread at one side of back, working from the wrong side, make 2 tr in each st across back, up along strap, across front neck edge and down other side to correspond to first shoulder. Break off thread. Tie in trimming silk and make 1 dc in each st around.

Fasten off.

SLEEVES: Tie thread at underarm edge and working from right side of work, make 34 tr around armhole.

Join round.

Break thread.

Tie in trimming silk and make 1 dc in each st around.

Fasten off.

PANTIES: Using the thread, make a chain of 31 sts, turn, 1 dc in 2nd chain from hook and in each of the remaining chain sts (30 sts).

Ch 3, turn.

2nd row: Tr across row, increasing 4 sts across row.

3rd and 4th rows: Repeat row 2.

Join with a slip st.

Last round: Make 1 tr in each st across row. Break thread leaving 12 inches (30.48 cm).

Fold piece in two and catch together through center, loosely