

Shamrock Leaf Lace Edging  
The Lady's Worktable  
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Material. — Ardern's crochet cotton, No. 40.  
Terms: D double, P. purl.

Begin with the shamrock, having two threads (*i.e. with shuttle and ball*). Make a loop, 6 D., 1 P., 4 D., 1 P., 4 D., 1 P., 6 D., draw close, leave a short space of cotton and repeat the above twice; then with 2nd thread (*from ball*) work round the first oval, \* 7 D., 1 P., join in the P. of oval, 5 D., 1 P., join to next P., 5 D., 1 P., join to the last P., 7 D. ; to fix the cotton firmly bring the 2nd thread through the centre (*i.e. into the gap between rings*), and make a stitch ; repeat \* round the other two ovals.

To work the stalk reverse the work, and with 2nd thread (*work a chain of*) 7 D., join to P. of the last oval of shamrock, 1 D., 1 P., 5 D., reverse, and with shuttle (*make a ring of*) 6 D., join to next P. in shamrock, 6 D., draw close, reverse with 2nd thread, 4 D., 1 P., 5 D., reverse with shuttle , 6 D., 1 P., 6 D., draw close, reverse with 2nd thread, 7 D., 1 P., 1 D., fasten off; repeat the above till you have the length of the shamrock required.

For the top row of trefoil begin with 1st oval, \* 7 D., 1 P., 7 D., draw close. Work close to this 2nd oval, 7 D., 1 P., 7 D., draw close.— 3rd oval. 7 D., 1 P., 7 D., draw close. Reverse with 2nd thread 10 D., 1 P., 10 D. ; reverse and repeat from \* for the length required. To connect this with the shamrock, work with shuttle only, 6 D., join to P. in 1st oval of trefoil, 6 D., draw close, reverse, 6 D., join to 1st P. in the stitch of the shamrock, 6 D., draw close. Leave a very short space of cotton, 2 D., join to 2nd oval of trefoil, 2 D., draw close, reverse 6 D., join to next P. in the stalk, 6 D., draw close; repeat this to the end.

For the outside row of trefoils have 2 threads, make a loop, § 6 D., 1 P., 6 D., draw close. Work close to this 3 D., 1 P., 3 D., draw close. Reverse the work, and with 2nd thread 2 D., 1 P., 2 D., 1 P., 2 D., 1 P., 4 D. Reverse, and work 1st oval of trefoil, 7 D., join to P. of last oval, 7 D., draw close. Work close to this 2nd oval 7 D., 1 P., 7 D., draw close.— 3rd oval. 7 D., 1 P., 7 D., draw close. Reverse with 2nd thread 2 D., 1 P. 7 times, 2 D. Reverse, and repeat the trefoil as before ; then reverse, and work from § to the end.

This last row is joined to the shamrocks by dots of 6 D., joining to every P. of the sham-rocks and trefoils 6 D., draw close.

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Translation: Craftree

Begin with two shuttles together.

Shuttle 1: 3x (R 6-4-4-6, short length of thread equal to 1ds.)

Shuttle 2: 3x (R 7-+5-+5-+7, joining to previous rings of shamrock after each picot.)

Snug up any extra by passing the second shuttle through the center and making a stitch.

