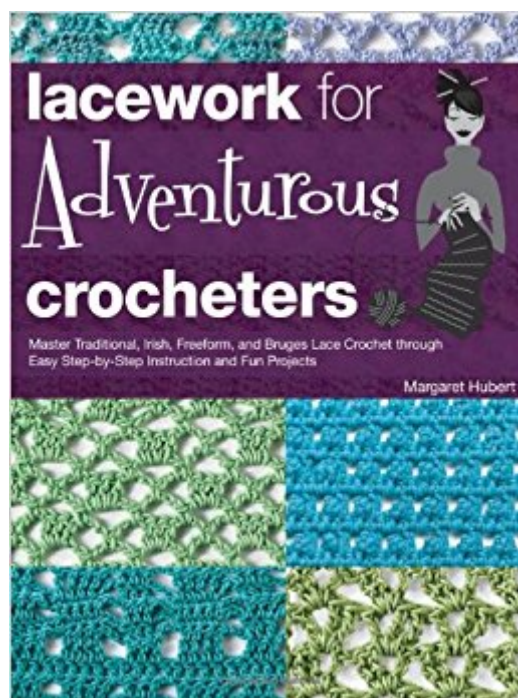




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# Lacework For Adventurous Crocheters: Master Traditional, Irish, Freeform, And Bruges Lace Crochet Through Easy Step-by-Step Instructions And Fun Projects



## Synopsis

This step-by-step technique reference introduces and thoroughly explores several styles of crochet that produce lacy fabric. With *Lacework for Adventurous Crocheters*, you'll delve into many exciting methods, including:- Bruges lace- Irish crochet- Freeform crochet Each section includes easy-to-follow, illustrated instructions, teaching all that is necessary to master the required skills. Charts, diagrams, and graphs are also provided, and swatch exercises in each section give the reader a chance to try the skills. Sections end with three to five small projects. Master this beautiful craft with *Lacework for Adventurous Crocheters*!

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## Customer Reviews

"Prolific fiber crafts author Hubert (Plus Size Crochet) presents a wide variety of crocheted lace motifs in this collection, which consists of a stitch dictionary, projects, and a guide to the specialized techniques of Bruges lace and Irish and freeform crochet. The projects focus on garments and accessories and include the standard shawls, shells, and hats often found in crochet books. All of the patterns feature both written and charted directions, and a guide to crochet chart symbols is also provided. Basic knowledge of crochet techniques and stitches is assumed. Verdict The stitch dictionary isn't comprehensive, but crocheters who are interested in exploring lacework or designing their own lacework patterns will appreciate the focus, and the sections on Irish crochet and Bruges lace may introduce these techniques to a wider audience." - Library Journal

Margaret Hubert is the author of more than 20 crochet and knitting books, including Plus Size

Crochet, Knits for Men, Knit or Crochet--Have It Your Way, The Complete Photo Guide to Crochet, The Complete Photo Guide to Knitting, The Granny Square Book, Lacework for Adventurous Crocheters, Runway Crochet, and Customize Your Knitting. She has enjoyed a lifelong career designing both crochet and knit patterns for yarn companies and book and magazine publishers. Hubert also teaches at yarn shops, retreats, and national gatherings, and rarely misses a national conference in the needle-arts field. A world traveler, Hubert pays close attention to the fashions in Europe and spots trends as they hit New York. In 2012, in fitting tribute to Hubert's lifelong work as a knitting and crochet designer, the Crochet Guild of America inducted her into their Jean Leinhauser Crochet Hall of Fame. Her work and information about the events she attends can be found on her blog: [margaretshooksandneedles.blogspot.com](http://margaretshooksandneedles.blogspot.com). She lives in Pawling, New York.

As the title suggests, this book is for the "Adventurous" crocheter. It seems targeted toward the experienced crocheter who wants to go to the next level. The book is a mix of stitch gallery and of project patterns. Traditional, Irish, Freeform and Bruges Lace are all covered in this book. For each there is a brief introduction to the type of lace, a gallery of a few stitches/trims/motifs and a few projects. The chapter titles are: Crocheted Lace (stitch patterns), Edges & Trims (stitch patterns), Crocheted Lace Projects (using some of the stitch patterns and introducing others), Irish & Freeform Crochet (motif patterns and projects) and Bruges Lace (projects). In total, there are 21 lace stitch patterns, 10 lace trims and 7 motif patterns. All of these include written instructions, a chart and a clear photo. Many of these also show the stitch pattern or trim in more than one yarn choice, which helps to show off the lacy potential of the pattern. In addition, there are about 20 projects throughout the book, covering a variety of project types. There are sweaters, wraps, scarves and other wearables, as well as a few home decor items. The projects are nicely laid out with fully written out instructions and schematics, but generally no charts. The only projects with charts are the three doilies in the Bruges Lace chapter. It should be noted that almost all projects in this book are rated as Intermediate or Experienced. There are only a couple of Easy projects. I have rated the book only four stars for a couple of reasons. First, the introductions to each lace type are very brief. I would have liked a bit more information on each type of lace; such as the history, more on the potential of this lace technique, helpful hints for being successful with this lace technique. Also since this is a book for the "Adventurous" crocheter, it would have been nice to have more information on how to substitute one stitch pattern for another in a project. Also I found a few typos, including an upside down chart. I wish the fingerless gloves had been made in a lighter colored yarn to show off the lovely lace pattern better. And lastly, I would have liked the pattern to the green hat that appears in

a couple of the photos. I can tell it is made of broomstick lace, which is not covered in this book. Perhaps there is a chapter that was cut from the planning. On the other hand, there are some wonderful projects in this book. Both the "Devon Cross Shawl" and the "Pineapples & Shells Capelet" are absolutely beautiful. I love the "Freeform Triple Treat" project which presents three different versions of the same basic sweater (cropped vest, long vest and a jacket). I also like that there are a couple of small Bruges Lace projects to try out the lace technique. Despite the limitations I've noted, I look forward to many lacemaking adventures.

This book is missing an editor. There are egregious typos and actual missing words, sentences, non-words - it's just awful. Examples: P. 91 "backgrounmethod"

This book is not "adventurous" in any way. The projects aren't nice, very few stitch patterns, and the Irish lace section leaves a lot to be desired. I was hoping to learn how to crochet the mesh between motifs but all it shows is motifs stitched onto a mesh piece which is the dumbed down version for people who don't know how to do it. I could have done that myself without buying this book. Everything in it, I already know how to do and it's easy stuff beginners could do. I guess expected it to be for more experienced crocheters. I think there are better books out there. . .

Nice collection of stitch patterns, but not as many different stitches as I'd hoped for, however I did find several lace stitches that I will try.

Great book with lots of crochet symbols if you don't like to read patterns. Nice projects you learn new patterns to crochet the projects. Very good learning book. Very inspiring. pick up your book and start hooking. This book is too good. I purchased another.

I love Margaret Hubert designs. Her directions are clear and I plan to make some of the items, I especially like the vest with decorations.

This is my first review, and I wish I didn't feel the need to make it, but this book is not worth the money. You can find every stitch pattern for free in any "stitch dictionary" that's online. The patterns themselves are not anything close to "adventurous." I was expecting complicated patterns, intricate stitch designs, but I found the same, and I mean same, stitch patterns as I have in my other stitch dictionaries. This book had such potential, but it just fell flat. I would not suggest it to anyone.

I made several lace and lace trimmed scarves for Christmas. I like that this book includes charts as well as written instructions. It's so much easier to create your own project when you can compare a photo to a chart.

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