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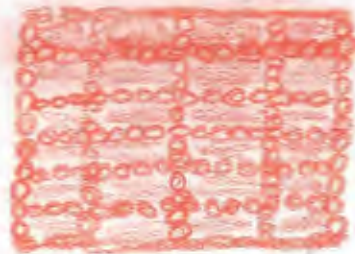
Crocheted Placemats and Table Accessories

My honors project this semester was to crochet two complete sets of place mats. I had never crocheted before so this was a completely new learning experience. All together I made twelve place mats, fourteen napkins, twelve napkin rings, and one small table runner. I gave one set to my mother-in-law, and one set to my mother for Mother's Day.


The placemats were made from eight skeins of orange acrylic four-ply knitting yarn. Two skeins makes three placemats.

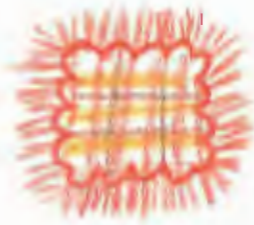


The double crochet stitch was used throughout to create this this pattern:

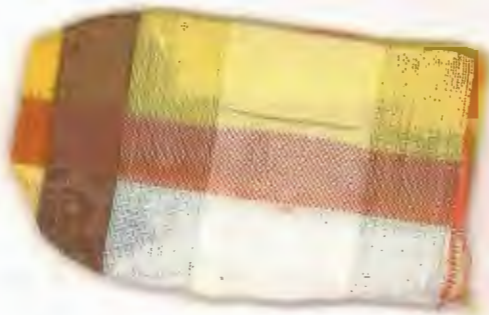


The napkins were cut from a cotton polyester blend fabric made by Dan River. The plaid pattern selected contained yellow, orange, white, and green stripes. There is no "wrong" or "right" side both sides are alike.

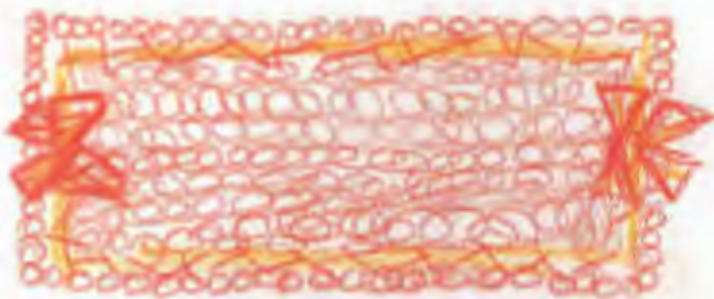
The napkins were 16 inches by 16 inches. I finished the napkins with a scalloped stitch done by sewing machine:  The outside edge was fringed one inch.



The napkin rings were made of the same orange yarn with an interlaced strip of the plaid material down the center. On top of the ring, a stuffed flower was sewn. The filling used was polyester fiberfill:



The table runner was made like the placemats with an interlaced strip of plaid material all along the edges. A bow of the fabric was sewn on each long end:



I feel that this project was a very rewarding and satisfying endeavor. I will be able to use this knowledge on crocheting for the rest of my life. Besides being creative, it is also a form of therapy used for relaxation. I can use the things that I create for myself, or give them to others to enjoy. If it were not for this class I may never have learned to crochet, and for me personally, I feel that I would have missed a very rewarding experience.