

Neck Tie from Godey's 1861

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This necktie, was featured in Godey's, 1861. It is made from wool, and is both a fashionable and warm accessory. It is not a collar replacement; it actually goes on top of the collar. Neckties were a common accessory often made from silk, but we do on occasion find some very cute wool worked patterns.

The original pattern calls for four shades of blue and white. For the sake of ease, I made each row in this pattern a different color. If you want to work different colors, tie on/break off at the join area.

The pattern is unique, in that the first row is worked normally, with a turn. After that, at the corner of the second row we work in the round.

You can close this necktie with a brooch, or a ribbon. The original pattern has a ribbon. Depending on the width of your ribbon, and your gauge, you may want to replace the dc in the first row with a tc. That is the row, where the ribbon will be woven through.

The original pattern is below. It is, in my opinion rather confusing. It is also appears to be a European pattern republished in Godey's. So, the terms, are a bit different. For example, a tc in the USA is actually a dc. My pattern below is written in USA terms.

Materials

- 2 mm crochet hook

- 1 oz wool Fingering weight yarn
- 1/4-inch silk ribbon or brooch to close

Start:

Chain 177,

Row 1: Dc in 5th chain, *skip 1, chain 1, dc* repeat till end. *(If you are using a ribbon to close instead of a brooch, check the width of your ribbon. If it is wider, you may prefer to do a tc instead of a dc on this row. As this is the row, that the ribbon is woven through.)*



Row 2: Turn your work, slip stitch into first space. Chain 3 (this counts as your first dc), and work 2 more dc into the space. Skip the next two chain one spaces, and work 3dc into the third hole. Repeat till the end of the row. At the end of the row, right in the turn, work 3dc, chain 4, 3dc.

Now, working along the bottom, continue to do 3dc in each area opposite of where the 3dc are on the other side. You are now working in the round. Continue to the other end, and do 3dc, chain 4, and slip stitch into the very first dc of the row, to join.



Row 3: Slip stitch into the first chain 3 area, a chain 3 counts as your first dc, 2dc after that. Chain 3, 3dc in next space all the way till the corner. Do 3dc, chain 6, 3dc into the corners.



Row 4: Slip stitch into chain 3 space, work 3dc in each chain space till the corner. Before the corner, chain 4 (instead of three) and then work 5dc into the corner, chain 4, and continue with the 3dc, ch3 till the next corner. Repeat corner, and eventually join the round with a slip stitch.



Row 5: Slip stitch into chain 3 space. Work *tr, chain 1* 5 times. Chain 2, sc in next chain 3 space. Chain 2, and work *tr, chain 1* five times. Repeat around. In corners – work 6tr, with chain 1 spaces. Work these in chain 4 spaces, and one in the center of the 5 dc at the tips.

Row 6: Slip stitch into chain 3 space, Work a *tc, chain 1* 5 times. Chain 2, and sc in the next ch3 space. Ch2, and work a *tr, chain 1* 5 times.



Work till corner area (previous rows chain 4, 5dc, chain 4)

Work *1 tc, ch1* 6 times into the ch4 space. Chain 2, sc into the space again, chain 2, work into the very center stitch of the 5dc in the row below. Do *1tc, ch1* 6 times. C 2, sc into the next chain 4 space, ch2. Work *1tc, ch1* 6 times.



Finish the other side and corner, in the same fashion as above. Join row with slip stitch.

Row 7: Slip stitch, into the first chain 1 space. Sc, *chain 5, sc* 3 times, you will now be at the end of 5tc ch1 cluster. Sc in to the ch3 space, ch3, sc into the next ch3 space, sc into the first ch1 space *chain 5, sc* 3 times.



Continue until you get to the corner.

At the corners, there are 6tc clusters instead of 5tc clusters. So, you are going to work

an extra *chain 5, sc*

See image below. Remember to do the sc, sc, ch3, sc, sc at the valleys between the corner clusters. This helps keep the shape!



Work around the other side, and corner in the same manner.

Step 8: Slip stitch into the very first ch 5 area, sc, ch 5, sc into the next ch 5 area, sc, sc into the chain 3 area (the dip between the clusters), sc into the next ch5, chain 5, sc into next chain 5 area, chain 5, sc into next chain 5 area.

You should see the pattern now. At the corner clusters, you will have an extra chain 5.



Damp the item, and block. Or you can do what the original pattern suggested and

ironing and stretch the work. You can stretch this a few inches, if it is a bit small for your neck. Or, if it is a good size, blocking will still make it lay nicer.

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Here is the original pattern for you to enjoy and make! Ladies interpreted these patterns, and produced different looking items. So, do not feel that your necktie has to look like the one I have above, that is my interpretation.

NECK-TIE, WHICH MAY BE CONVERTED
INTO A CAP.



Materials.—Four shades of blue 4-thread wool—six skeins of the lightest, four of the remaining shades; four skeins of white. No. 2 crochet hook.

WORK 2 rows of each color.

1st row.—With darkest shade, make a chain of 177 stitches, turn back, work 1 long, 1 chain, miss 1 loop, *repeat*.

2d.—3 long, 3 chain, miss 3 loops, *repeat*, round the ends work 4 chain, 3 long, *under* the side of the last long stitch, 4 chain, *repeat* from beginning.

3d.—3 long *under* the 3 chain, 3 chain, *repeat*, round the ends work * 6 long with 4 chain between each, 3 long *under* the 4 chain, 4 chain, *repeat* from * again, then *repeat* from beginning.

4th.—The same, working *under* every 4 chain round the ends the same as in last row.

5th.—The same.

6th.—The same, working round the ends 5 long *under* every 4 chain between each 5 long.

7th.—The same, making 6 long instead of 5 round the ends.

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8th.—Twist the wool twice over the hook for the long stitches, dc *under* the 3 chain, 2 chain, 5 long with 1 chain between each, *under* next 3 chain, 2 chain, *repeat* till the ends, where make 6 long *under* the 4 chain, 2 chain, and dc on centre loop of the 6 long, 5 long, 2 chain, *repeat*.

9th.—White, dc *under* the 2 chain, 3 chain, dc *under* next 2 chain, 5 chain, dc between next 2d long, 5 chain, dc between next 2d long, 5 chain, *repeat*.

10th.—3 long *under* the 3 chain, 1 chain, dc *under* 5 chain, 5 chain, dc *under* 5 chain, 5 chain, dc *under* 5 chain, 1 chain, *repeat*.

Damp and press well.

Run a narrow satin ribbon through the first row, leaving sufficient ends to tie; it must be folded in the neck and stitched securely at the tie.

