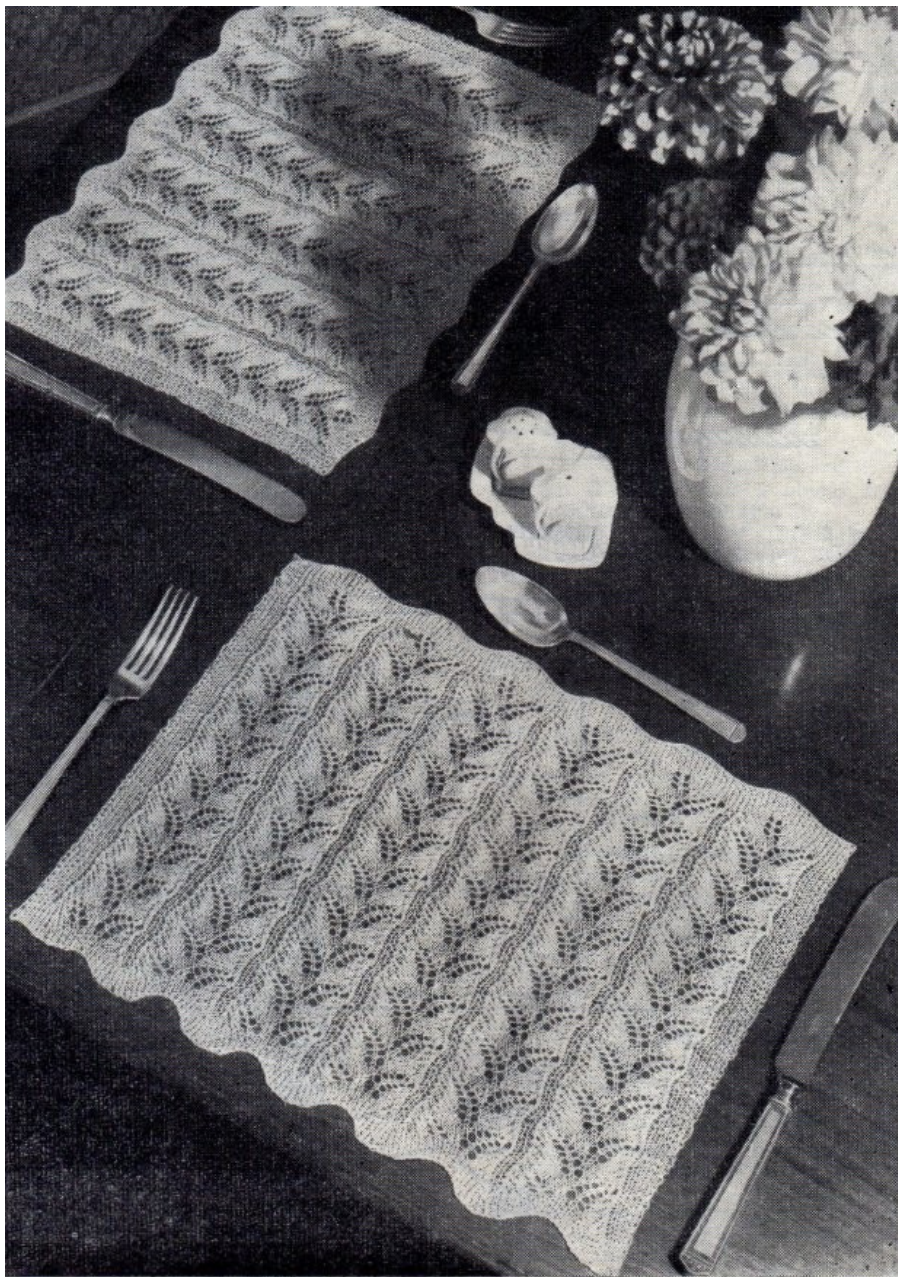


*Lace Placemats*  
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**MATERIALS:**Coats Chain  Mercer Crochet.

4 balls selected colour No. 5. 1 pair Milwards Phantom knitting pins No. 13. The above quantity is sufficient for 2 Place Mats.

**TENSION:** 12 rows equal 1 in.**MEASUREMENTS:** 15 in x 12 in.

**ABBREVIATIONS:** K, knit; p, purl; st, stitch; yf, yarn forward; sl, slip; tog, together; pssso, pass slip stitch over.

**DIRECTIONS****PLACE MAT:** Cast on 117 sts.

**1st to 8th row:** K 1, \* p 1, k 1; repeat from \* to end of row.

Now work in pattern as follows.

**1st row:** K 1, (p 1, k 1) twice (border), \* k 2 tog, k 5, (yf, k 1, yf, k 2) twice, sl 1, k 1, pssso, k 1, p 1, k 1; repeat from \* until 4 sts remain, (p 1, k 1) twice (border).

**2nd row and all even rows:** K 1, (p 1, k 1) twice, \* p 2 tog, p 13, p 2 tog, k 1, p 1, k 1; repeat from \* until 4 sts remain, (p 1, k 1) twice.

**3rd row:** K 1, (p 1, k 1) twice, \* k 2 tog, (k 4, yf, k 1, yf) twice, k 1, sl 1, k 1, pssso, k 1, p 1, k 1; repeat from \* until 4 sts remain, (P 1, k 1) twice.

**5th row:** K 1, (p 1, k 1) twice, \* k 2 tog, k 3, yf, k 1, yf, k 6, yf, k 1, yf, sl 1, k 1, pssso, k 1, p 1, k 1; repeat from \* until 4 sts remain, (p 1, k 1) twice.

**7th row:** K 1, (p 1, k 1) twice, \* k 2 tog, (k 2, yf, k 1, yf) twice, k 5, sl 1, k 1, pssso, k 1, p 1, k 1, repeat from \* until 4 sts remain, (p 1, k 1) twice.

**9th row:** K 1, (p 1, k 1) twice, \* k 2 tog, k 1 (yf, k 1, yf, k 4) twice, sl 1, k 1, pssso, k 1, p 1, k 1; repeat from \* until 4 sts remain, (p 1, k 1) twice.

**11th row:** K 1, (p 1, k 1) twice, \* k 2 tog, yf, k 1, yf, k 6, yf, k 1, yf, k 3, sl 1, k 1, pssso, k 1, p 1, k 1; repeat from \* until 4 sts remain, (p 1, k 1) twice.

**12th row:** As 2nd row.

The last 12 rows constitute pattern.

Work in pattern until piece measures 10½ in in all, ending with 12th row. Work border to correspond with beginning. Cast off.

Starch lightly, pin out to measurements and leave to dry.

Press on wrong side with a hot iron.