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3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Nice resource for vintage thread crochet patterns ...By L. MountfordMy mother taught me to crochet with thread when I was 5 years old as a way to keep me occupied and out of the way. Over the years, I've been in and out of the mood to crochet as life happened and interests changed. I'm getting back into it again, and this was one of the first books of patterns I purchased."Big" is the operative word here. There are literally dozens of patterns for tablecloths, edgings, bedspreads, and doilies, all culled from thread company brochures from the 1940s-50s. They've been reformatted for the Kindle, however, so reading them isn't a problem. Also, they've retained the photos and diagrams from the originals. Each project is illustrated with a photo appearing either just before or just after the instructions. This is a definite improvement over other Dover Kindle pattern books, where photos and even parts of instructions are scattered throughout, linked by page numbers from the original book that don't exist in the Kindle edition. This one is very well done and totally easy to follow.Most of the patterns (except for the bedspread patterns) call for threads that are 1) no longer available, and/or 2) smaller than most current

crocheters like to use (the higher the "No." the smaller the thread). No worries -- I just use whatever size I'm comfortable with (usually 10 or 20) and follow the pattern anyway. Yes, it changes the size, but since I make mostly doilies, edgings, and small items like coasters, it's not that much of an issue. Of the dozens of patterns here, there are probably 20-25 that I'll make for sure, and another 10-15 that are interesting enough to consider. The bottom line, though, is that if you're an intermediate to advanced thread crocheter, you'll definitely find something here that you'll like.

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Lovely vintage motif patterns, with instructions written out row by row. By jean1959 Great pattern motif ideas and whole doilies. Directions written in paragraph form instead of on graphs. I was thankful for this, as I cannot follow graphs and diagrams. Most more recently published crochet books do not specify one way or the other, and it's a gamble. Fortunately, the vintage patterns almost always have instructions written out row by row, rather than graphs.

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. **TRULY GORGEOUS, HISTORICAL PIECES OF CROCHET ART!** By Avery Gordon This book is part of the Dover Needlework Series, which is historically important as it resurrects some of the most gorgeous, intricate patterns going back over 150 years. If you create a tablecloth from this book, or a bedspread, or even a very fine doily or runner, you've created a family heirloom. I have every one of these books I can lay my hands on, and every one is worth it, not a one will disappoint.