

HOME: CARPET MADE FROM OLD T-SHIRTS (“TRAPILLO” YARN)



MATERIALS REQUIRED

Old T-shirts (trapillo yarn), scissors and a crochet hook number 10.

DEGREE OF DIFFICULTY

High.

APPROXIMATE TIME REQUIRED

8 hours.

LEARNING GOALS

Learn how to make a ball of trapillo yarn and crochet a carpet with it.

ABILITIES DEVELOPED

Memory, attention, perseverance, fine handling, hand-eye coordination and creativity.



STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS

1. Start this project by cutting the T-shirt that you are going to reuse. Take off the seams and other small parts like sleeves, pockets...
2. Make the ball of trapillo yarn by cutting T-shirt into a strip; starting from one edge and cutting until you get to the inner part, all in a row and maintaining the same width (2 centimetres approximatedly).
3. Now you have to make a chain stitch with the trapillo yarn. You can crochet it with a needle or using or hands as explained below.
4. Firstly, place the yarn around your index finger twice, forming two loops.



5. The two edges will be hanging. Pick up the one on the right and place it through the loops.



6. Stretch the result. Roll the yarn again and repeat this process.
7. Keep doing this “knots” and your chain stitch will get longer.
8. You have to make the loops always in the same direction, otherwise you will undo your previous work.





9. Once your chain stitch gets the desired length, roll it flat and sew it. This is how you will get your carpet.

10. The shape of your carpet can be a circle or an oval. You can also use T-shirts of different colours so your carpet will be colourfull.

TIPS

In order to avoid having too many knots on your carpet, you can sew the pieces of trapillo yarn one to each other with some stitches.

Although it seems you will have to make a lot of knots do not worry, you will see how fast you will work with trapillo!

