

A hearty welcome to my newspaper column readers. Below you'll find the pattern I mentioned in my Oct. 28, 2012 art & craft column about meeting my great grandmother. This pattern was originally published in CraftSanity Magazine Issue 4 in during the fall of 2011. You can order a print copy of the issue at CraftSanity.etsy.com or purchase the instant download PDF edition on the left side bar of this website.

OK, dear readers, it's your turn to tell me a story about a pattern, project or recipe and I can't wait to hear it. I will do my best to photograph and interview as many of you and your projects as I can. Stay tuned to upcoming columns for stories from your fellow readers. *Email Jennifer Ackerman-Haywood at jennifer@craftsanity.com or send story ideas to P.O. Box 888192, Grand Rapids, MI 49588.*

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Julianna's Slippers

By Jennifer Ackerman-Haywood

I do not know the exact origin of this pattern that I adapted from a version passed down from my Great Grandmother Julianna Schosboek (1900-1987).

But I do know that variations of it have been widely circulated. This is my spin on the pattern my great grandmother used to make slippers for her children and grandchildren.

If this pattern brings back memories for you, be sure to check out two lovely updated versions of these house slippers designed by Wendy Bernard on p. 125 of Larissa Brown's book "My Grandmother's Knitting."

Yarn

Grandma Schosboek used acrylic yarn when she made slippers, and I do, too, when I'm looking to kick it old school.

With that said, I was able to get my hands on some of the good stuff and made the sample in the photo out of hand-dyed wool by [Briar Rose Fibers](#). I used a double strand of worsted weight yarn for the slipper and a single strand of bulky weight yarn for the crocheted trim.

A double strand of worsted weight can be used for the trim as well.

Needles: Size 10 1/2

Crochet Hook: Size "H", 5 mm

• Yarn needle



Instructions

Pattern written for child size slippers.
Modifications for adult size in ().

Slipper

Cast on 29 (35) stitches

Row 1: Knit

Row 2: K9, p1, k9, p1, k9 (For adult size k11, p1, k11, p1, k11)

Repeat rows 1 and 2 until you have 14 (20) ridges, ending with row 2.
On the ridge side shape toe.

Row 1: P1, k1

Row 2: K1, p1

Repeat these two rows four more times. Then do row 1 again.

Cut yarn leaving a long tail, then use a yarn needle to pull yarn through the toe stitches to gather. Tie a knot to secure. Sew up the top of the foot and the heel to complete slipper.

Crochet Trim

Using a contrasting yarn color,



crochet a 6-inch chain. Then connect the chain to the center front of the top of the slipper with a sc and continue to sc around the top of the slipper. When you reach the point you started sl st into the first sc and make a 6-inch chain. Cut yarn and fasten off. Weave in all ends and tie trim ends into a bow.

Repeat pattern for second slipper.