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As a kid I lived for Christmas morning. I am sure that I drove my parents crazy, getting up several hours before the crack of dawn to sit by the tree, look at the lights and the presents and watch cheesy Christmas movies until everyone got out of bed, which was never soon enough. It wasn't just the presents that I was excited about. It was the decorations, food and getting to see all my cousins as the families took turns getting together throughout the day. When we went to Grandma Harriet's at the end of the day, there was sometimes a handmade gift

waiting for us. I still have my ripple stitch afghan in some crazy, funky colors to this day!

This issue is filled with great gifts your family members are sure to enjoy for years to come as well. For the child in all of us, there are the Elf on the Couch pillow, the Christmas Spirit Gnome and the Reindeer Case to name just a few. For that person you are never quite certain what to give, there are several decorative and useful options. Check out the Home for Christmas and Merry & Bright chapters! For those on your list that are all about getting their home in the holiday spirit, you are definitely going to find several options scattered throughout this issue from whimsical decorative pieces to heirloom keepsakes. Don't forget the tree! There are a variety of beautiful ornaments, an adorable teddy bear garland and even a tree skirt. And then, of course, many designs for the prized possession that I still have to this day: an afghan. The diverse assortment of afghans in this issue will make great gifts and look great scattered throughout the house. Some are so beautifully done that they would make a great centerpiece in your living room, like the Merry Mosaic Afghan or the Snowman Throw.

I hope that you enjoy making a wide range of projects for your family to treasure and enjoy for years to come.

Britt Schmiesing

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Snowman Throw

Design by Sarah Zimmerman

1 2 3 4 5 6 EASY

FINISHED MEASUREMENT

33 inches square

MATERIALS

- Red Heart Super Saver medium (worsted) weight acrylic yarn (7 oz/364 yds/198g per skein):
 - 3 skeins #512 turqua
 - 2 skeins #311 white
 - 1 skein each #365 coffee, #256 carrot, #319 cherry red, #624 tea leaf and #312 black
- Size H/8/5mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle



GAUGE

1 block = $\frac{3}{4}$ inch

PATTERN NOTES

Refer to Pattern Graph as needed.

Chain-3 at beginning of row counts as first double crochet unless otherwise stated.

When changing color, carry color not in use on wrong side of piece until needed.

The last increase row is the longest diagonal row on the Pattern Graph.

Choose any color for scarf and earmuffs for a more personal touch.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

THROW

INC ROWS

Row 1: With first color, ch 6, dc in 4th ch from hook (*sk chs count as first dc*), dc in each of next 2 chs, turn. (1 block made)

Row 2: Ch 6, dc in 4th ch from hook and in each of next 2 chs,

(sl st, **ch 3**—see *Pattern Notes*, 3 dc) in next ch-3 sp across, turn. (2 blocks made)

Row 3: Ch 6, dc in 4th ch from hook and in each of next 2 chs, (sl st, ch 3, 3 dc) in each ch-3 sp across, turn. (3 blocks made)

Next rows: Rep row 3, following Pattern Graph for **color changes** (see *Pattern Notes and Stitch Guide*), until last block of **last inc row** (see *Pattern Notes*) is finished.

DEC ROWS

First dec row: Sl st in each dc across to next ch-3 sp, (sl st, ch 3, 3 dc) in each rem ch-3 sp across to last ch-3 sp, sl st in last ch-3 sp, turn.

Next rows: Rep First dec row to last row of Pattern Graph.

Last row: Sl st in each dc across to next ch-3 sp, (sl st, ch 3, 3 dc) in ch-3 sp, sl st in last ch-3 sp.

Leaving long ends for sewing, fasten off all colors at end of last row.

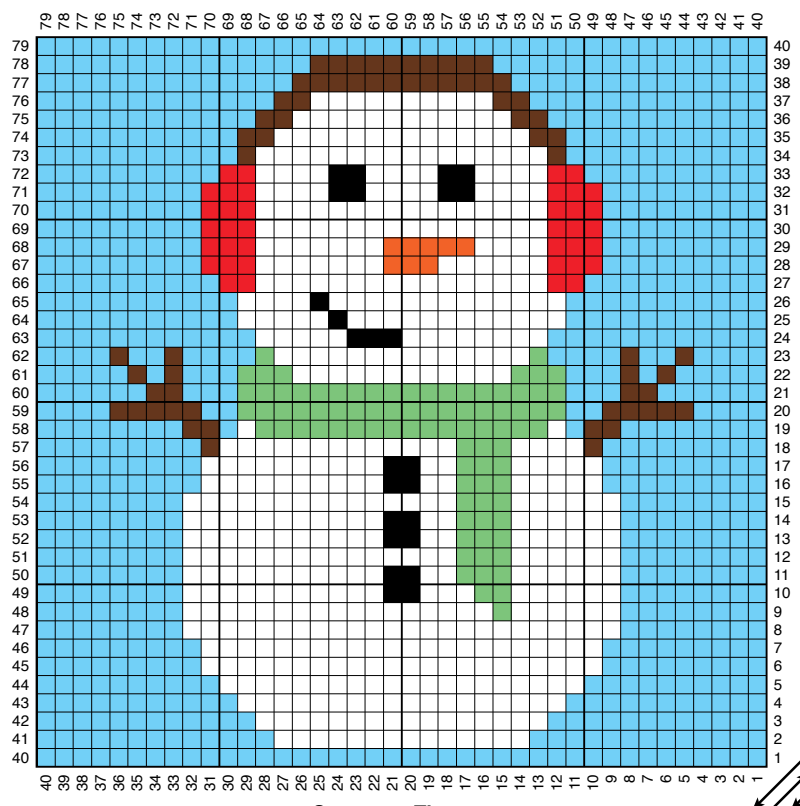
BORDER

Rnd 1: Join (see *Pattern Notes*) turqua in any corner, ch 1, (sc, ch 2, sc) in same corner, sc evenly around entire Blanket, working 2 sc in each ch-3 sp, 3 sc in each dc and (sc, ch 2, sc) in each corner, join in first sc. Fasten off.

Rnd 2: Join white in any ch-2 corner sp, ch 1, (sc, ch-2, sc) in same sp, sc in each sc around, working (sc, ch 2, sc) in each ch-2 sp, join in first sc. Fasten off. **cw**

COLOR KEY

- Coffee
- Carrot
- White
- Turqua
- Tea leaf
- Cherry red
- Black



Snowman Throw
Pattern Graph

Note: Arrows indicate direction of work.

This graphic afghan using the corner-to-corner technique works up quickly and makes a great gift.



"Snow" Much Fun Set

Designs by Terry Day

1 2 3 4 5 6 EASY

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Place Mat: 21½ inches wide x 14½ inches tall

Snowman Flatware Holder: 6 inches tall

MATERIALS

- Red Heart Super Saver medium (worsted) weight acrylic yarn (solids: 7 oz/364 yds/198g per skein; prints and multis: 5 oz/236 yds/141g per skein):
 - 1 skein each #672 spring green, #376 burgundy, #312 black, #254 pumpkin, #311 white and #3955 wildflower
- Red Heart With Love medium (worsted) weight acrylic yarn (7 oz/370 yds/198g per skein):
 - 1 skein each #1805 bluebell and #1814 true blue
- Sizes E/4/3.5mm, F/5/3.75mm and H/8/5mm crochet hooks or sizes needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle
- Sewing needle
- Black sewing thread
- 11mm black buttons: 6
- ½-inch black oval buttons: 2
- ½-inch light blue glitter pompom
- ½-inch light green glitter pompom
- Hot-glue gun
- Stitch marker



GAUGE

Size F hook: 4 sc = 1 inch

Size H hook: 5 dc = 1½ inches;
2 dc rnds = 1½ inches

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

Chain-3 at beginning of row or round counts as first double crochet unless otherwise stated.

Chain-2 at beginning of round counts as first half double crochet unless otherwise stated.

Do not join rounds; place stitch marker and move marker as work progresses.

PLACE MAT

MITTEN

Make 3.

Row 1: With size F hook and green, ch 12, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (11 sc)

Row 2: Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in each sc across to last sc, 2 sc in last sc, turn. (13 sc)

Row 3: Rep row 2. (15 sc)

Row 4: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.

Rows 5 & 6: Rep row 4.

Row 7: Rep row 2. (17 sc)

Row 8: Rep row 4.

Row 9: Ch 1, sc in each of next 13 sc, leaving rem 4 sc unworked (for thumb), turn.

Row 10: Rep row 4.

Row 11: Ch 1, **sc dec** (see *Stitch Guide*) in next 2 sc, sc in each sc across to last 2 sc, sc dec in next 2 sc, turn. (11 sc)

Rows 12 & 13: Rep row 11. (7 sc)

Row 14: Rep row 4.

Row 15: Rep row 11. (5 sc)

Row 16: Ch 1, sc dec in next 2 sc, sc in next sc, sc dec in next 2 sc. Fasten off. (3 sc)

Thumb

Row 1: With WS facing, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*) green in end sc of row 8, sk next sc, 4 dc in next sc, sk next sc, sl st in same sc as last sc of row 9 of Mitten, turn. (1 sl st, 4 dc, 1 sl st)

Row 2: Do not ch 1, sc in each of next 4 dc, sl st in same sc as previous sl st. Fasten off.

Cuff

Make 3.

Row 1: With size F hook and burgundy, ch 11, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (10 sc)

Row 2: Ch 3 (see *Pattern Notes*), dc in each sc across, turn. (10 dc)

Row 3: Ch 1, 2 sc in first dc, sc in each of next 8 dc, 2 sc in last sc, leaving 8-inch length of yarn, fasten off. (12 sc)

Button

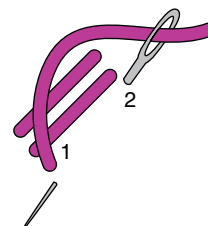
Make 3.

With size F hook and green, ch 2, 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook, join in first sc. Fasten off.

ASSEMBLY

With burgundy, sew Button to center of Cuff making an "X" through center of Button.

With length of burgundy, embroider 4 **straight stitches** (see *illustration*) to make snowflake centered over rows 8–11 of Mitten.

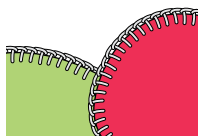


Straight Stitch

Add a touch of whimsy to a Christmas morning meal with this cute set. The snowman flatware holder can double as a gift-card holder or ornament!



With length of burgundy, embroider **blanket stitch** (see *illustration*) around outer edge of Mitten, but do not embroider across opposite side of foundation ch.



Blanket Stitch

Overlapping row 1 of Mitten, position row 3 of Cuff on Mitten and sew in place.

SNOWMAN FACE

Make 3.

Rows 1–8: With size F hook and white, rep rows 1–8 of Mitten. (17 sc)

Row 9: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.

Row 10: Rep row 9.

Row 11: Ch 1, sc dec in next 2 sc, sc in each sc across to last 2 sc, sc dec in next 2 sc, turn. (15 sc)

Rows 12 & 13: Rep row 11. (11 sc)

Row 14: Rep row 9.

Row 15: Rep row 11. (9 sc)

Row 16: Rep row 11. Fasten off. (7 sc)

Hat

Make 3.

Row 1: With size F hook and black, ch 21, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (20 sc)

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, fasten off, turn.

Row 3: Sk first 4 sc of row 2, join black with sc in next sc, sc in each of next 11 sc, leaving rem 4 sc unworked, turn. (12 sc)

Row 4: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.

Row 5: Ch 1, sc in each of next 3 sc, hdc in each of next 6 sc, sc in each of next 3 sc. Fasten off.

Hatband

Make 2 green & 1 burgundy.

With size F hook, ch 15. Fasten off.

Nose

Make 3.

Row 1: With size F hook and pumpkin, ch 3 (does not count as dc), sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next ch, turn. (2 sc)

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.

Row 3: Ch 1, sc dec in next 2 sc, turn. (1 sc)

Row 4: Ch 1, sc in sc, leaving 8-inch length, fasten off.

Mouth

Make 3.

Cut 4-inch length of black, tie double knot in each end of strand. Trim ends close to knot.

ASSEMBLY

Sew ends of Hatband to Hat between rows 2 and 3; secure rem of Hatband with glue. With length of white, embroider straight stitches for snowflake near end of Hatband.

Sew Hat to top of Snowman Face overlapping row 16.

Sew Nose to center of Face. Leaving ½-inch sp between eyes, sew 2 11mm black buttons centered on rows 12 and 13.

Glue Mouth centered between rows 3–7. Allow all glued sections time to dry.

SQUARES

Make 3 each bluebell & true blue.

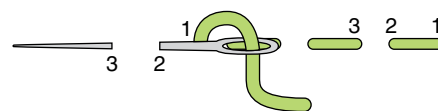
Rnd 1: With size F hook, ch 4, join to form a ring, ch 3, 2 dc in ring, [ch 2, 3 dc in ring] 3 times, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (12 dc, 4 ch-2 sps)

Rnds 2–5: Ch 3, dc in each dc around, working (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in each corner ch-2 sp, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (76 dc, 4 ch-2 sps)

Rnd 6: With size E hook, ch 2 (see *Pattern Notes*), hdc in each dc around, working (2 hdc, ch 2, 2 hdc) in each corner ch-2 sp, join in beg ch-2. Fasten off.

ASSEMBLY

With length of matching yarn color, use **running stitch** (see *illustration*) to sew Snowman Faces centered on true blue Squares and Mittens centered on bluebell Squares. When attaching Mittens use care to work running stitches in behind the blanket stitch around edge of Mitten so as not to distort the decorative edging.

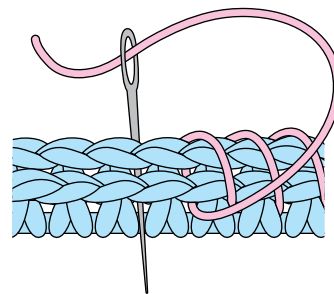


Running Stitch

Lay out Squares left to right as follows for Place Mat:

First row: Snowman Face with green Hatband, Mitten and Snowman Face with green Hatband.

2nd row: Mitten, Snowman Face with burgundy Hatband and Mitten. With WS of Squares tog and matching yarn **whipstitch** (see *illustration*) Squares tog in **back lp** (see *Stitch Guide*) of each st.



Whipstitch Edges

Border

Rnd 1: With size H hook, join wildflower with sc in any corner ch-2 sp, 2 sc in same ch-2 sp, working in back lp of each st, sc in each st around outer edge of Place Mat, working 3 sc in each rem corner ch-2 sp, join in beg sc. Fasten off.

Rnd 2: Join green with sc in center corner sc, 2 sc in same sc, [sk next sc, 3 sc in next sc] around entire outer edge of Place Mat, adjusting sts as needed to work 3 sc in each center corner sc, join in beg sc. Fasten off.

SNOWMAN FLATWARE HOLDER

HEAD

Make 4.

Rnd 1: With size F hook and white, ch 2 (*does not count as hdc*), 8 sc in ring, **place stitch marker** (see *Pattern Notes*).

Rnd 2: [Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] around. (12 sc)

Rnds 3 & 4: Rep rnd 2. (27 sc)

Rnd 5: Rep rnd 2, sl st in next sc. Fasten off. (40 sc)

BODY

Make 4.

Rnds 1–4: Rep rnds 1–4 of Head. (27 sc)

Rnd 5: [Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] around. (40 sc)

Rnd 6: Sc in each sc around, sl st in next sc. Fasten off. (40 sc)

SCARF

With size F hook and wildflower, ch 45, hdc in 3rd ch from hook, hdc in each rem ch across. Fasten off.

EARMUFF

Make 2.

With size F hook and wildflower, ch 4, *yo twice, insert hook in 4th ch from hook, yo, draw up



lp, [yo, draw through 2 lps on hook] twice, rep from * 5 times, yo, draw through all 7 lps on hook. Fasten off.

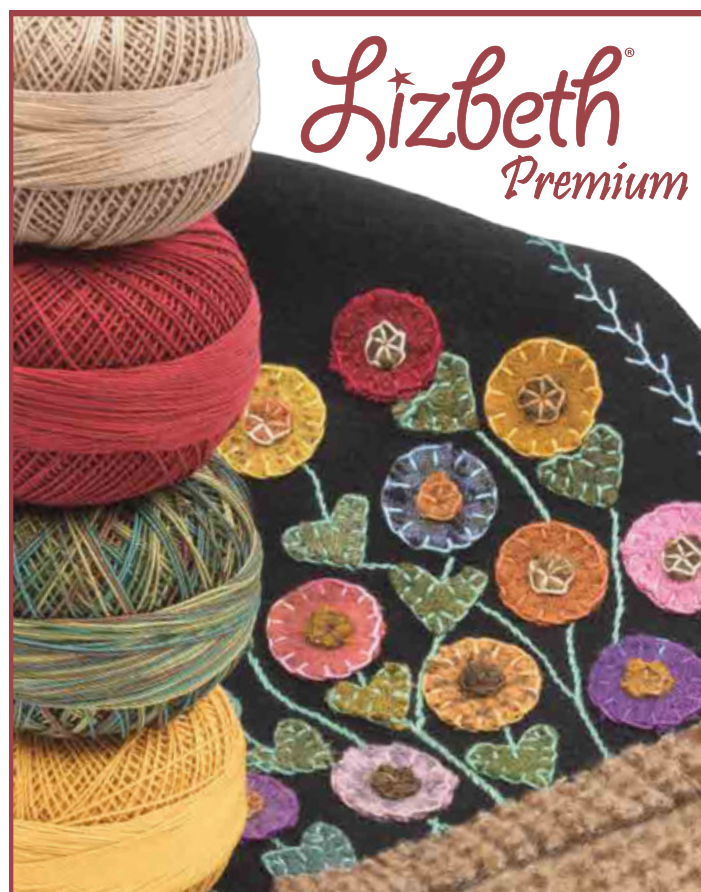
EARMUFF BAND

With size F hook and green, ch 12. Fasten off.

HEAD & BODY ASSEMBLY

[With white, whipstitch Head and Body tog across 9 sc to form neck area] 4 times, set 2nd–4th Head and Body sections aside.

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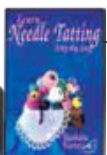
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Winter Warmer Set

Designs by Lisa Gentry

1 2 3 4 5 6 EASY

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Mug Cozy: 4½ inches wide x 13¾ inches long

Mug Rug: 7½ inches square

MATERIALS

- Plymouth Yarn Encore Worsted medium (worsted) weight acrylic/wool yarn (3½ oz/200 yds/ 100g per skein):
 - 1 skein each #0475 stitch red, #0137 California pink, #0054 Christmas green, #0146 winter white, #3335 Rio lime, #0449 pink and #1001 merry
- Size H/8/5mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle
- 15mm red button



GAUGE

Mug Cozy: Rnds 1–4 of Square Motif = 4 inches square

Mug Rug: Rnds 1 and 2 and row 3 = 2¼ inches

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

Chain-3 at beginning of round counts as first double crochet unless otherwise stated.

Chain-4 at beginning of round counts as first double crochet and chain-1 unless otherwise stated.

SPECIAL STITCHES

Beginning shell (beg shell): (Ch 3—see *Pattern Notes*, 2 dc) in indicated st or sp.

Shell: 3 dc in indicated st or sp.

Corner shell: (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in indicated st or sp.

MUG COZY

SQUARE MOTIF

Make 2.

Rnd 1 (RS): With red, ch 4, join (see *Pattern Notes*) in first ch to form a ring, **beg shell** (see *Special Stitches*) in ring, ch 2, (**shell**—see *Special Stitches*, ch 2) 3 times in ring, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (4 shells, 4 ch-2 sps)

Rnd 2 (RS): Join dark pink in any ch-2 sp, (beg shell, ch 2, shell) in same ch-2 sp, ch 1, [**corner shell** (see *Special Stitches*) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1] 3 times, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (4 corner shells, 4 ch-1 sps)

Rnd 3 (RS): Join dark green in any ch-2 corner sp, (beg shell, ch 2, shell) in same ch-2 sp, ch 1, shell in next ch-1 sp, ch 1, [**corner shell** in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, shell in next ch-1 sp, ch 1] 3 times, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (4 corner shells, 4 shells, 8 ch-1 sps)

Rnd 4 (RS): Join off-white in any ch-2 sp, (beg shell, ch 2, shell) in same ch-2 sp, ch 1, [shell in next ch-1 sp, ch 1] across to next corner ch-2, *corner shell in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, [shell in next ch-1 sp, ch 1] across to next corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (4 corner shells, 8 shells, 12 ch-1 sps)

TRIANGLE MOTIF

Rnd 1 (RS): With red, ch 4, join in first ch to form a ring, beg shell in ring, ch 2, (shell, ch 2) twice in ring, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (3 shells, 3 ch-2 sps)

Rnd 2 (RS): Join dark pink in any ch-2 sp, (beg shell, ch 2, shell) in same ch-2 sp, ch 1, [**corner shell** in next ch-2 sp, ch 1] twice, join in

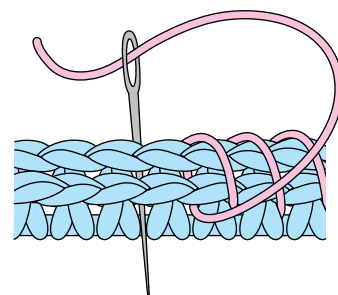
3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (3 corner shells, 3 ch-1 sps)

Rnd 3 (RS): Join dark green in any corner ch-2 sp, (beg shell, ch 2, shell) in same ch-2 sp, ch 1, shell in next ch-1 sp, ch 1, [**corner shell** in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, shell in next ch-1 sp, ch 1] twice, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (3 corner shells, 3 shells, 6 ch-1 sps)

Rnd 4 (RS): Join off-white in any ch-2 sp, (beg shell, ch 2, shell) in same ch-2 sp, ch 1, [shell in next ch-1 sp, ch 1] across to next corner ch-2 sp, *corner shell in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, [shell in next ch-1 sp, ch 1] across to next corner ch-2, rep from * around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (3 corner shells, 6 shells, 9 ch-1 sps)

ASSEMBLY

With RS facing, **whipstitch edges** (see *illustration*) of 2 Square Motifs tog to form rectangle, whipstitch Triangle Motif at end of rectangle.



Whipstitch Edges

EDGING

With RS facing, join dark pink in corner ch-2 sp of Square and working across end of Cozy, ch 1, 2 sc in same ch-2 sp, [sc in each of next dc and each ch-1 sp to next corner ch-2 sp, 2 sc in next corner ch-2 sp, [working up side edge of Cozy, sc in each dc and each ch-1 sp to seam between Squares, sc in each of next 2 ch-2 sps] twice, sc in each dc and each ch-1 sp to next corner ch-2 sp of triangle, (sc, ch 4, sc)

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This cute granny square-inspired set is just perfect for adding pops of color to your table.

Ho Ho Ho Pillow

Design by Kathleen Berlew

1 2 3 4 5 6 EASY

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

21 inches wide x 15½ inches long

MATERIALS

- Premier Anti-Pilling Everyday light (DK) weight acrylic yarn (3½ oz/273 yds/100g per skein):
2 skeins each #1107-48 bright green and #1107-06 really red
1 skein #1107-02 cream
- Size F/5/3.75mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- 10 locking stitch markers in 2 colors
- Fiberfill or pillow form
- Yarn bobbins
- Tapestry needle



GAUGE

16 sc = 4 inches; 20 rows = 4 inches

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

Chain-3 at beginning of row or round counts as first double crochet unless otherwise stated.

Pillow front is worked from Chart and written instructions in 3 colors, not work over the nonworking color. Each color section will be attached to its own yarn bobbin or ball of yarn (*intarsia crochet technique*).

Odd-numbered rows are right-side rows worked from right to left, and even-numbered rows are wrong-side rows and worked from left to right. Each box on chart represents 1 single crochet.

SPECIAL STITCH

Single crochet join (sc join):

Place slip knot on hook, insert hook in indicated st, yo, draw up a lp, yo, draw through both lps on hook.

PILLOW

FRONT

Row 1 (RS): With green, ch 78, sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across, turn. (77 sc)

Welcome holiday guests to your home with a fun and festive pillow. Bright red and green stripes provide the background for the "Ho Ho Ho" greeting.



Row 2: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.

Rows 3–8: Rep row 2. At the end of row 8, **change color** (see *Stitch Guide*) to red.

Rows 9–16: Rep row 2. At the end of row 16, change color to green.

Rows 17–24: Rep row 2. At the end of row 24, change color to red.

Row 25: Ch 1, sc in each of next 6, change color to cream, *sc in each of next 6 sc, change color to red, sc in each of next 4 sc, change color to cream, sc in next 3 sc, change color to red, sc in each of next 3 sc, change color to cream, sc in each of next 3 sc, change color to red**, sc in each of next 5 sc, change color to cream, rep from * once, then rep from * to **, sc in last 4 sc, turn.

Rows 26–48: Follow Chart, working **intarsia crochet technique** (see *Pattern Notes*), sc in each st across, changing color as indicated, turn. At the end of row 48, change color to green.

Rows 49–56: Rep row 2. At the end of row 56, change color to red.

Rows 57–64: Rep row 2. At the end of row 64, change color to green.

Rows 65–72: Rep row 2. At the end of row 72, fasten off.

Border

Rnd 1 (RS): Sc join (see *Special Stitch*) green in base of any st of opposite side of foundation ch of row 1, [sc in each st across, 3 sc in corner, sc evenly across side, working 1 sc in each of 7 rows of each stripe, 3 sc in corner] twice, sc in each st across, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*) with sl st to beg sc, fasten off.

Rnd 2 (RS): Join cream in any st on bottom edge, **ch 3** (see *Pattern Notes*), [dc in each st across, 3 dc in center st of corner] 4 times, dc in each st across, join in top of beg ch-3, fasten off.

BACK

Row 1 (RS): With green, ch 78, sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across, turn. (77 sc)

Rows 2–24: Rep rows 2–24 of front. At the end of row 24, change color to red.

Rows 25–32: Rep row 2 of front. At the end of row 32, change color to green.

Rows 33–40: Rep row 2 of front. At the end of row 40, change color to red.

Rows 41–48: Rep row 2 of front. At the end of row 48, change color to green.

Rows 49–56: Rep row 2 of front. At the end of row 56, change color to red.

Rows 57–64: Rep row 2 of front. At the end of row 64, change color to green.

Rows 65–72: Rep row 2 of front. At the end of row 72, fasten off.

Border

Rnds 1 & 2: Rep rnds 1 and 2 of front border.

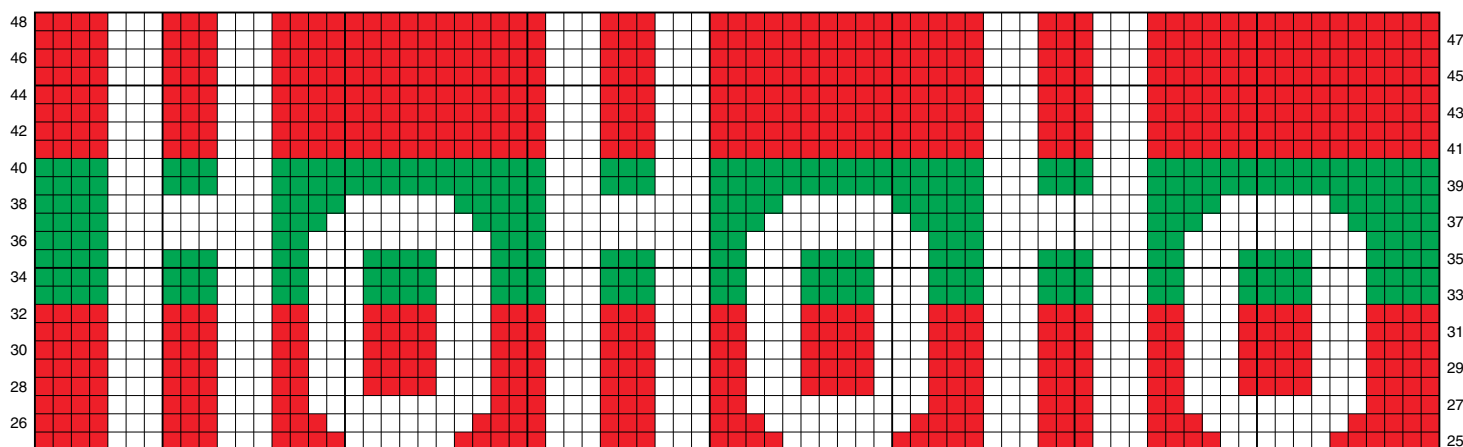
ASSEMBLY

Steam-block front and back to finished measurements.

With WS tog and working through both thicknesses, sc join cream in bottom right corner, sc in each dc around, stuffing with fiberfill or inserting pillow form as work progresses, join in beg sc. Fasten off. **cw**

COLOR KEY

- Really red
- Bright green
- Cream



Ho Ho Ho Pillow
Chart

Family Favorite Blanket

Design by Lisa Gentry

1 2 3 4 5 6 EASY

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

47 inches wide x 61¾ inches long

MATERIALS

- Plymouth Yarn Encore Worsted medium (worsted) weight acrylic/wool yarn (3½ oz/200 yds/ 100g per skein):
 - 3 skeins each #0475 stitch red, #0054 Christmas green and #0146 winter white
 - 2 skeins each #0137 California pink and #0450 green
 - 1 skein each #0449 pink and #1001 merry
- Size H/8/5mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Yarn needle



GAUGE

Rnds 1–4 = 4 inches square; finished Block = 13 inches square

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

Chain-3 at beginning of round counts as first double crochet unless otherwise stated.

SPECIAL STITCHES

Beginning shell (beg shell):

(Ch 3—see *Pattern Notes*, 2 dc) in indicated st or sp.

Shell: 3 dc in indicated st or sp.

Corner shell: (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in indicated st or sp.

COLOR SEQUENCE

Blocks 1 & 9

Work 4 Small Squares each as follows:

A. 2 rnds dark pink, 1 rnd each variegated and off-white.

B. 1 rnd each pale pink, dark pink, pale green and dark green.

C. 1 rnd each dark pink, red, pale green and dark green.

D. 2 rnds pale pink, 1 rnd each variegated and off-white.

Block Edging: Work 1 rnd each red, dark pink, red, off-white and dark green.

Blocks 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 & 12

Work 4 Small Squares each as follows:

A. 1 rnd each red, dark pink, variegated and off-white.

B. 1 rnd each dark green, dark pink, pale green and dark green.

C. 1 rnd each dark pink, pale pink, pale green and dark green.

D. 1 rnd each pale pink, red, variegated and off-white.

Block Edging: Work 1 rnd each red, pale pink, red, dark green and off-white.

Blocks 3 & 7

Work 4 Small Squares each as follows:

A. 2 rnds pale pink, 1 rnd each pale green and dark green.

B. 1 rnd each dark green, pale pink, variegated and off-white.

C. 1 rnd each red, pale pink, variegated and off-white.

D. 2 rnds dark pink, 1 rnd each pale green and dark green.

Block Edging: Work 1 rnd each red, dark pink, red, off-white and dark green.

Blocks 5 & 11

Work 1 Large Square each as follows:

A. 2 rnds each red and dark pink.

B. 1 rnd dark green.

C. 3 rnds pale green.

D. 1 rnd each red, dark pink, red, off-white and dark green.

BLANKET

SMALL SQUARE

Make a total of 40 referring to Color Sequence.

Rnd 1 (RS): With first color, ch 4, join (see *Pattern Notes*) in first ch to form a ring, **beg shell** (see *Special Stitches*) in ring, ch 2, (**shell**—see *Special Stitches* in ring, ch 2) 3 times in ring, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off if new color is required. (4 shells, 4 ch-2 sps)

Rnd 2 (RS): Sl st in each of next 2 dc and next ch-2 sp or join next color in any ch-2 sp, (beg shell, ch 2, shell) in same ch-2 sp, ch 1, [**corner shell** (see *Special Stitches*) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1] 3 times, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off if new color is required. (4 corner shells, 4 ch-1 sps)

Rnd 3 (RS): Sl st in each of next 2 dc and next ch-2 sp or join next color in any ch-2 sp, (beg shell, ch 2, shell) in same ch-2 sp, ch 1, shell in next ch-1 sp, ch 1, [**corner shell** in next corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, shell in next ch-1 sp, ch 1] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off if new color is required. (4 corner shells, 4 shells, 8 ch-1 sps)

Rnd 4 (RS): Sl st in each of next 2 dc and next ch-2 sp or join next color in any ch-2 sp, (beg shell, ch 2, shell) in same ch-2 sp, ch 1, [shell in next ch-1 sp, ch 1] across to next corner ch-2, ***corner shell** in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, [shell in next ch-1 sp, ch 1] across to next corner ch-2, rep from * around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (4 corner shells, 8 shells, 12 ch-1 sps)

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*You will quickly find yourself
addicted to making granny
squares as you use up your
scraps to make this merry
holiday blanket.*

Granny Square Garland

Design by Lisa Gentry

1 2 3 4 5 6 EASY

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

46 inches wide, excluding hanging loops x 4¾ inches long

MATERIALS

- Plymouth Encore Worsted medium (worsted) weight acrylic/wool yarn (3½ oz/200 yds/100g per skein):
1 skein each #1001 merry, #0475 stitch red, #0146 winter white #0054 Christmas green #1383 bright orange, #4045 serenity blue, #3335 Rio lime, #0450 green and #0449 pink
- Size H/8/5mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Yarn needle
- 1-inch multicolored ornaments: 7



GAUGE

Triangle = 4¾ inches long

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

Chain-3 at beginning of round counts as first double crochet unless otherwise stated.

SPECIAL STITCHES

Beginning shell (beg shell): (Ch 3—see *Pattern Notes*, 2 dc) in indicated st or sp.

Shell: 3 dc in indicated st or sp.

Corner shell: (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) in indicated st or sp.

Picot: Ch 3, sl st in 3rd ch from hook.

COLOR SEQUENCE

Triangles 1 & 5: Work 1 rnd each variegated, off-white, red and dark green.

Triangles 2 & 6: Work 1 rnd each pale blue, red, lime green and dark green.

Triangles 3 & 7: Work 1 rnd each bright orange, pale green, red and dark green.

Triangles 4 & 8: Work 1 rnd each off-white, red, pale pink and dark green.

GARLAND

TRIANGLE MOTIF

Make 8 referring to Color Sequence.

Rnd 1 (RS): With first color, ch 4, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*) in

first ch to form a ring, **beg shell** (see *Special Stitches*) in ring, ch 3, (**shell**—see *Special Stitches*, ch 3) twice in ring, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (3 shells, 3 ch-2 sps)

Rnd 2: Join next color in any ch-3 sp, (beg shell, ch 3, shell) in same ch-3 sp, ch 2, [**corner shell** (see *Special Stitches*) in next ch-3 sp, ch 2] twice, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (3 corner shells, 3 ch-2 sps)

Rnd 3: Join next color in any ch-3 corner sp, (beg shell, ch 3, shell) in same ch-3 sp, ch 2, shell in next ch-2 sp, ch 2, [corner shell in next ch-3 sp, ch 2, shell in next ch-2 sp, ch 2] twice, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (3 corner shells, 3 shells, 6 ch-2 sps)



*Festive. Adorable. Retro. Granny. Scrappy.
This garland has it all, and you will find
it hard to stop adding to it.*



Rnd 4: Join next color in any ch-3 sp, (beg shell, ch 3, shell) in same ch-3 sp, ch 1, [shell in next ch-2 sp, ch 2] across to next corner ch-3, corner shell in next ch-3 sp, **picot** (see *Special Stitches*), [shell in next ch-2 sp, picot] twice, (shell, picot, shell) in next corner ch-3 sp, [picot, shell in next ch-2 sp] twice, picot, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (3 corner shells, 6 shells, 9 ch-2 sps, 7 picots)

Arrange Triangles in numerical order with picot corner shell pointing downward.

GARLAND STRING

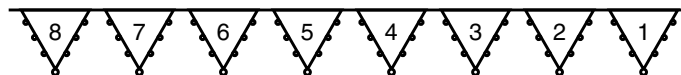
Row 1 (RS): With off-white, ch 11, join in first ch (*for hanging lp*), ch 15, with RS facing, pick up first Triangle Motif, *work 2 sc in right corner ch-3 sp, sc in each st

across straight edge to next corner ch-3 sp, 2 sc in corner ch-3 sp**, ch 4, pick up next Triangle Motif, rep from * across, ending last rep at **, ch 26, sl st in 11th ch from hook (*for hanging lp*). Fasten off.

ATTACHING ORNAMENTS

Cut 10-inch length of red, fold in half, insert hook into hanger of ornament, draw through to form

a lp, draw cut ends through lp on hook. Holding both ends tog, insert hook in ch-4 sp of Garland String between Triangle Motifs and draw ends through, knot ends to secure from passing through ch, tie ends in a bow. To keep plies from unraveling, knot end of each rem strand. Rep until all ornaments are attached in ch-4 sp between Triangle Motifs. **CW**



Garland
Placement Diagram

Reindeer Case

Design by Shabnam Mirzaei

1 2 3 4 5 6 EASY

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

8 inches wide x 5 inches long

MATERIALS

- Omega Sinfonia DK light (worsted) weight cotton yarn (3½ oz/218 yds/100g per skein):
 - 1 skein each #807 khaki, #804 coffee, #803 black, #822 red and #810 pink rose
 - 1 yard #801 white
- Size G/6/4mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- 7-inch coordinating-color zipper
- Tapestry needle
- Stitch marker



GAUGE

12 sc = 4 inches

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Work in continuous rounds; do not join or turn unless otherwise stated.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

Mark first stitch of round. Move marker as work progresses.

CASE

Rnd 1: Beg at bottom of case, with khaki, ch 36, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each ch across to last ch, 3 sc in last ch, working on opposite side of foundation ch, sc in each ch across, ending with 3 sc in same sc as beg sc, **do not join or turn** (see *Pattern Notes*), **place marker** (see *Pattern Notes*). (74 sc)

Rnd 2: [Sc in each of next 34 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc, 2 sc

in next sc] twice, place marker. (78 sc)

Rnd 3: Sc in each of next 36 sc, 2 sc in each of next 2 sc, sc in each of next 37 sc, 2 sc in each of next 2 sc, sc in last sc, place marker. (82 sc)

Rnds 4–29: Sc in each sc around, move marker as work progresses.

FIRST ZIPPER PLACKET

Row 30: Now working in rows, sc in each of next 40 sc, turn. (40 sc)

Row 31: Ch 1, **sc dec** (see *Stitch Guide*) in next 2 sc, sc in each of next 36 sc, sc dec in next 2 sc. Fasten off. (38 sc)

2ND ZIPPER PLACKET

Row 30: Working on rem sc on opposite edge, sk next sc, join khaki in next sc, ch 1, sc in same sc as beg ch-1, sc in each of next 39 sc, leaving last sc unworked, turn. (40 sc)

Row 31: Rep row 31 of first zipper placket. (38 sc)

EAR

Make 2.

Rnd 1: With khaki, ch 2, 4 sc in 2nd ch from hook, place marker. (4 sc)

Stitch up several of these whimsical cases and fill them with goodies for the little ones this holiday season.



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Snow Kid

Design by Rebecca J. Venton

1 2 3 4 5 6 EASY

FINISHED MEASUREMENT

6½ inches tall

MATERIALS

- Red Heart Super Saver medium (worsted) weight acrylic yarn (7 oz/364 yds/198g per skein):
1 skein each #311 white (A), #254 pumpkin (B), #390 hot red (C) and #886 blue (D)
- Size F/5/3.75mm crochet hook
- Tapestry needle
- Polyester fiberfill
- 2-inch pompom maker



GAUGE

Gauge is not important for this project.

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

Stuff lightly as indicated. Do not overstuff; fiberfill should not show between stitches.

DOLL

BODY

Head & Torso

Rnd 1: With A, ch 2, 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*) in beg sc. (6 sc)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around, join in beg sc. (12 sc)

Rnd 3: Ch 1, sc in first st, 2 sc in next st, [sc in next st, 2 sc in next st] around, join in beg sc. (18 sc)

Rnd 4: Ch 1, sc in first 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, [sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st] around, join in beg sc. (24 sc)

Rnds 5–9: Ch 1, sc in each st around, join in beg sc.

Rnd 10: Ch 1, sc in first 2 sts, **sc dec** (see *Stitch Guide*) in next 2 sts, [sc in next 2 sts, sc dec in next 2 sts] around, join in beg sc. (18 sc)

Rnd 11: Ch 1, sc in first st, sc dec in next 2 sts, [sc in next st, sc dec in next 2 sts] around, join in beg sc. (12 sc)

Stuff lightly (see *Pattern Notes*) with fiberfill here and as Torso progresses.

Rnd 12: Ch 1, sc dec in first 2 sts, [sc dec in next 2 sts] around, join in beg sc. (6 sc)

Rnd 13: Ch 1, sc in each st around, join in beg sc.

Rnds 14–20: Rep rnds 2–12. At end of last rnd, fasten off. Weave tail through sts of last rnd, pull to close and secure.

Arm

Make 2.

With A and leaving a long tail for sewing, ch 8, join in first ch.

Rnd 1: Ch 1, sc in each ch around, join in beg sc. (8 sc)



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Christmas Spirit Gnome

Design by Elisa's Crochet

1 2 3 4 5 6 INTERMEDIATE

FINISHED MEASUREMENT

12 inches tall from curvature of Hat to soles of Feet

MATERIALS

- Lion Brand Basic Stitch Premium medium (worsted) weight acrylic yarn (3½ oz/ 219 yds/100g per ball):
1 ball each #172 ivy, #100 snow, #150 slate and #113 garnet
- Lion Brand Wool-Ease medium (worsted) weight acrylic/wool yarn (3 oz/197 yds/85g per ball):
1 ball #104 blush heather
- Size D/3.25mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle
- Gold jingle bell
- Polyester fiberfill



GAUGE

6 sc = 1 inch; 6 sc rows = 1 inch

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

When changing color, carry and work over color not in use on back side of piece until needed. Do not cut or fasten off any color unless otherwise stated.

SPECIAL STITCHES

Single crochet increase (sc inc): 2 sc in indicated st.

Half double crochet increase (hdc inc): 2 hdc in indicated st.

Single crochet join (sc join): Place a slip knot on hook, insert hook in indicated st, yo and pull up a lp, yo and draw through both lps on hook.

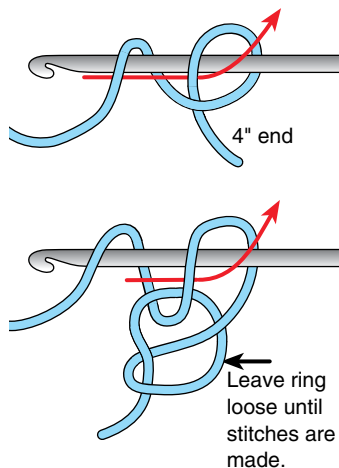
SPECIAL TECHNIQUE

Join and change color: Insert hook in beg st, drop old color, yo new color, draw through all lps on hook.

GNOME

BODY & HEAD

Rnd 1: With slate, make a **slip ring** (see illustration), ch 1, 8 sc in ring, **join** (see Pattern Notes) in beg sc, ch 1. Pull gently on tail to close ring. (8 sc)



Slip Ring

Rnd 2: Sc inc (see *Special Stitches*) in each st around, join in beg sc, ch 1. (16 sc)

Rnd 3: Sc in first st, sc inc in next st, [sc in next st, sc inc in next st] around, join in beg sc, ch 1. (24 sc)

Rnd 4: Sc in first 2 sts, sc inc in next st, [sc in next 2 sts, sc inc in next st] around, join in beg sc, ch 1. (32 sc)

Rnd 5: Sc in first 3 sts, sc inc in next st, [sc in next 3 sts, sc inc in next st] around, join in beg sc, ch 1. (40 sc)

Rnd 6: Sc in first 4 sts, sc inc in next st, [sc in next 4 sts, sc inc in

next st] around, join in beg sc, ch 1. (48 sc)

Rnd 7: Sc in first 5 sts, sc inc in next st, [sc in next 5 sts, sc inc in next st] around, join in beg sc, ch 1. (56 sc)

Rnd 8: Sc in each st around, join in beg sc, ch 1.

Rnds 9–18: Rep rnd 8.

Rnd 19: Sc in first 5 sts, **sc dec** (see *Stitch Guide*) in next 2 sts, [sc in next 5 sts, sc dec in next 2 sts] around, join in beg sc, ch 1. (48 sc)

Rnds 20–22: Rep rnd 8.

Rnd 23: Sc in first 6 sts, sc dec in next 2 sts, [sc in next 6 sts, sc dec in next 2 sts] around, join in beg sc, ch 1. (42 sc)

Rnds 24–27: Rep rnd 8.

Rnd 28: Sc in first 5 sts, sc dec in next st, [sc in next 5 sts, sc dec in next st] around, join in beg sc, ch 1. (36 sc)

Rnd 29: Rep rnd 8.

Rnd 30: Sc in each st around, **join and change color** (see *Special Technique*) to blush heather, ch 1. Cut slate.

Rnd 31: Sc in first 4 sts, sc dec in next 2 sts, [sc in next 4 sts, sc dec in next 2 sts] around, join in beg sc, ch 1. (30 sc)

Rnd 32: Rep rnd 8.

Beg stuffing Body firmly and continue as Head progresses.

Rnd 33: Sc in first 3 sts, sc dec in next 2 sts, [sc in next 3 sts, sc dec in next 2 sts] around, join in beg sc, ch 1. (24 sc)

Rnd 34: Sc in first 2 sts, sc dec in next 2 sts, [sc in next 2 sts, sc dec in next 2 sts] around, join in beg sc, ch 1. (18 sc)

Rnd 35: Sc in first st, sc dec in next 2 sts, [sc in next st, sc dec in next 2 sts] around, join in beg sc, ch 1. (12 sc)

Finish stuffing Head.

Rnd 36: Sc dec in first 2 sts, [sc dec in next 2 sts] around, join in beg sc. Fasten off. (6 sc)

Nose

Rnd 1: With blush heather, make a slip ring, ch 1, 6 sc in ring, join in beg sc, ch 1. Pull gently on tail to close ring. (6 sc)

Rnd 2: Sc in first st, 4 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts, 4 sc in next st, sc in last st, join in beg sc, ch 1. (12 sc)

Rnd 3: Sc in first 2 sts, sc inc in next 2 sts, sc in next 4 sts, sc inc in next 2 sts, sc in last 2 sts, join in beg sc, ch 1. (16 sc)

Rnd 4: Sc in first 3 sts, sc inc in next 2 sts, sc in next 6 sts, sc inc in next 2 sts, sc in last 3 sts, join in beg sc, ch 1. (20 sc)

Rnd 5: Sc in first 3 sts, sc dec in next 2 sts, sc in next 6 sts, sc dec in next 2 sts, sc in last 3 sts, join in beg sc, ch 1. Leaving a 6-inch tail, fasten off. (16 sc)

FOOT & LEG

Make 2.

Rnd 1: With slate, ch 6, sc inc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 3 sts, 7 hdc in last ch, working in opposite side of foundation ch, sc in next 3 sts, sc inc in last ch, join in beg sc, ch 1. (17 sts)

Rnd 2: Sc in first 7 sts, **hdc inc** (see *Special Stitches*) in next 3 sts, sc in last 7 sts, join in beg sc, ch 1. (20 sts)

Rnd 3: Sc inc in first st, sc in next 6 sts, hdc inc in next 6 sts, sc in next 6 sts, sc inc in last st, join in beg sc, ch 1. (28 sts)

Rnd 4: Working in **back lps** (see *Stitch Guide*), sc in first 8 sts, hdc in next 12 sts, sc in last 8 sts, join in beg sc, ch 1.

Rnd 5: Working in both lps, rep rnd 4.

Rnd 6: Sc in first 6 sts, sc dec in next 2 sts, [**hdc dec** (see *Stitch Guide*) in next 2 sts] 6 times, sc dec in next 2 sts, sc in last 6 sts, join in beg sc, ch 1. (20 sts)

Rnd 7: Sc in first 7 sts, [hdc dec in next 2 sts] 3 times, sc in last 7 sts, join and change color to snow, ch 1. (17 sts)

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This magical Christmas Spirit Gnome is so cute; it might just replace your Elf on the Shelf tradition.

Elf on the Couch

Design by Trish Hoskin for Baba Yo Crochet

1 2 3 4 5 6 CONFIDENT BEGINNER

FINISHED MEASUREMENT

14 inches square

MATERIALS

- Premier Basix medium (worsted) weight acrylic yarn (7 oz/359 yds/200g per skein):
 - 1 skein each #1115-50 peach, #1115-01 white, #1115-12 red, #1115-36 leaf, #1115-48 chocolate and #1115-42 nutmeg
 - 1 oz #1115-08 pink
 - 2 yds #1115-04 black
- Sizes G/6/4mm and K/10½/6.5mm crochet hooks or sizes needed to obtain gauge
- 4 x 8-inch piece cardboard
- 14 x 14-inch pillow form
- Tapestry needle



GAUGE

With size G hook, 4 sts = 1 inch;
2 rows = 1 inch

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Work in front loops of each single crochet only throughout design.

Front and back of pillow are crocheted in one piece.

Work with 2 strands of yarn held together as indicated.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

PILLOW

FRONT & BACK

Row 1: Beg at top front of pillow, with size K hook and **2 strands of chocolate held tog** (see *Pattern Notes*), ch 46, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (45 sc)

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in **front lp** (see *Pattern Notes and Stitch Guide*) of each sc across, **change color** (see *Stitch Guide*) to 2 strands of nutmeg, turn.

Row 3: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.

Row 4: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, change color to 2 strands of chocolate, turn. (45 sc)

Row 5: Rep row 3.

Row 6: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, change color to 2 strands of peach, turn.

Rows 7–23: Rep row 3.

Row 24: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, change color to 2 strands of leaf, turn. (45 sc)

Row 25: Rep row 3.

Row 26: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, change color to 2 strands of red, turn.

Row 27: Rep row 3.

Row 28: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, change color to 2 strands of white, turn.

Row 29: Rep row 3.

Row 30: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, change color to 2 strands of leaf, turn. (45 sc)

Row 31: Rep row 3.

Row 32: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, change color to 2 strands of red, turn.

Row 33: Rep row 3.

Row 34: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, change color to 2 strands of white, turn.

Row 35: Rep row 3.

Row 36: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, change color to 2 strands of leaf, turn. (45 sc)

Row 37: Rep row 3.

Row 38: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, change color to 2 strands of red, turn.

Row 39: Rep row 3.

Row 40: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, change color to 2 strands of peach, turn.

Rows 41–58: Rep row 3.

Row 59: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, change color to 2 strands of chocolate, turn.

Row 60: Rep row 3.

Row 61: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, change color to 2 strands nutmeg, turn.

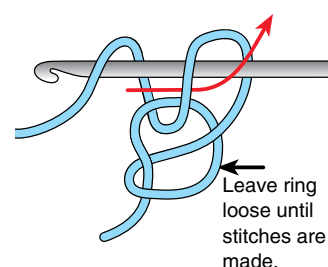
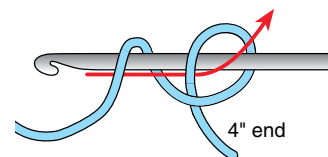
Row 62: Rep row 3.

Row 63: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, change color to 2 strands to chocolate, turn.

Row 64: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, fasten off. (45 sc)

JOINING

Fold pillow in half at row 32 and with size K hook, join red in side edge of row 32, ch 1, working through both thicknesses, sc evenly sp up side edge, sc evenly across top edge of pillow, sc evenly sp down opposite side edge for approximately 4 inches, insert pillow form, continue to sc across side edge to bottom of pillow, fasten off.



Slip Ring



This simple yet adorable elf cushion works up quickly and will be a happy addition to your holiday decorating this year.

CHEEK

Make 2.

Rnd 1: With size G hook and pink, form a **slip ring** (see illustration), 9 sc in ring.

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each sc around. (18 sc)

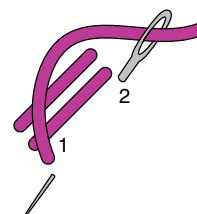
Rnd 3: (Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc) around. (27 sc)

Rnd 4: (Sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around, sl st in next sc, leaving a 15-inch length, fasten off. Sew each cheek to front of pillow over rows 15–18, leaving 13 sts at center between cheeks.

FACIAL FEATURES

With a length of black, embroider each eye with **straight stitches** (see illustration) centered above each cheek, using photo as guide.

With a length of black, embroider mouth with straight stitches centered evenly between cheeks, using photo as guide.



Straight Stitch

HAT

Rnd 1: With size K hook and 2 strands of red, form a slip ring, ch 1, work 9 sc in ring. (9 sc)

Rnd 2: (Sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around. (12 sc)

Rnd 3: (Sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around, change color to white. (15 sc)

Rnd 4: (Sc in each of next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around. (18 sc)

Rnd 5: (Sc in each of next 5 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around. (21 sc)

Rnd 6: (Sc in each of next 6 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around, change color to leaf. (21 sc)

Rnd 7: (Sc in next 7 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around. (27 sc)

Rnd 8: (Sc in each of next 8 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around. (30 sc)

Rnd 9: (Sc in each of next 9 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around, change color to red. (33 sc)

Rnd 10: (Sc in each of next 10 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around. (36 sc)

Rnd 11: (Sc in each of next 11 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around. (39 sc)

Rnd 12: (Sc in each of next 12 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around, change color to white. (42 sc)

Rnd 13: (Sc in each of next 13 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around. (45 sc)

Rnd 14: (Sc in each of next 14 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around. (48 sc)

Rnd 15: (Sc in each of next 15 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around, change color to leaf. (51 sc)

Rnd 16: (Sc in each of next 15 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around. (54 sc)

Rnds 17 & 18: Sc in each sc around. At the end of rnd 18, leaving a 24-inch length, fasten off.

POMPOM

Cut 2 strands each of red, leaf and white, each 30 inches long.

Cut two cardboard circles $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches in diameter. Cut a hole in the center of each circle, about $\frac{1}{2}$ inch in diameter. Holding both circles tog, thread yarn strands on sharp needle, insert through center hole, over the outside edge, and through center again (*Fig. 1*) until circle is covered and center hole is filled.

With sharp scissors, cut yarn between the two circles all around. (*Fig. 2*)

Using two 12-inch strands of yarn, slip yarn between circles and overlap yarn ends 2 or 3 times (*Fig. 3*) to prevent knot from slipping, pull tightly and tie into a firm knot.

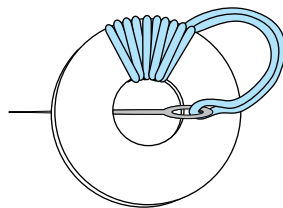


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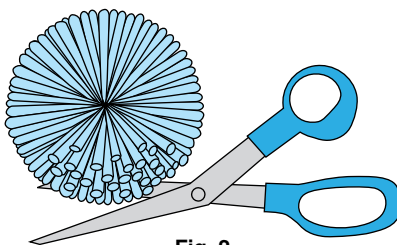


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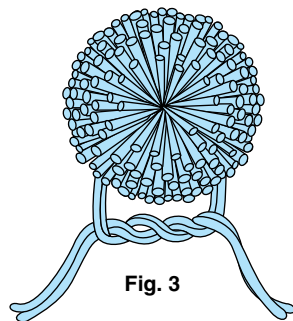


Fig. 3

Pompom

Remove cardboard and fluff out pompom. Leave tying ends for attaching pompom to project, trim ends.

Do not stuff hat. Place hat diagonally over top left corner of pillow corner and sew to pillow cover.

EAR

Make 2.

Rnd 1: With size G hook and 1 strand of peach, form a slip ring, 9 sc in ring. (9 sc)

Rnd 2: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 3: (Sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around. (12 sc)

Rnd 4: Rep rnd 2.

Rnd 5: (Sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around. (15 sc)

Rnd 6: (Sc in each of next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around. (18 sc)

Rnd 7: (Sc in each of next 5 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around. (21 sc)

Rnd 8: (Sc in each of next 6 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around. (24 sc)

Rnd 9: (Sc in each of next 7 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around. (27 sc)

Rnds 10–15: Rep rnd 2. At the end of rnd 15, join in next sc, leaving a 15-inch length of yarn, fasten off.

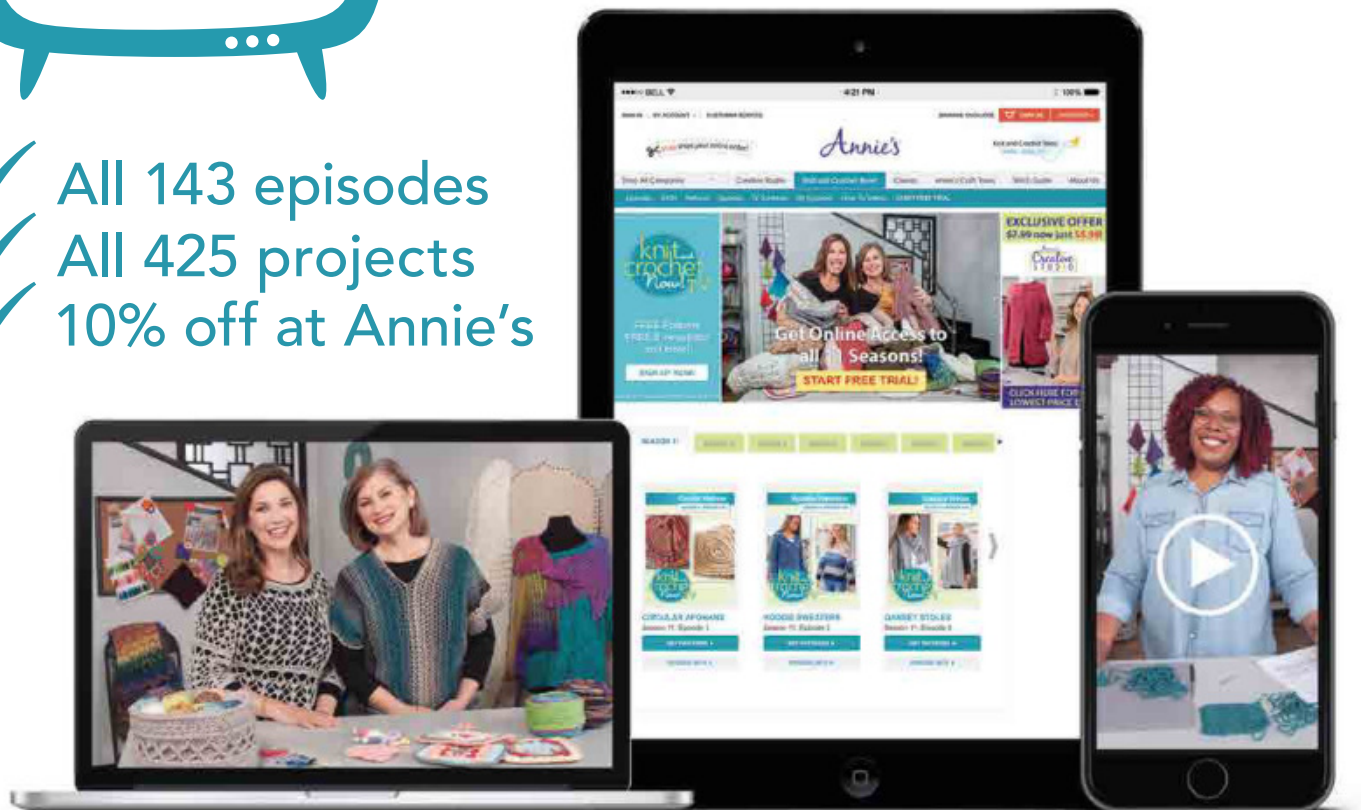
Pinch rnd 15 of ear flat. Pinch in half again and tack closed. Position each ear with crease forward. Sew an ear to each side edge of head at row 14. Add a st to each outer ear closest to pillow, in order to keep ear from flipping down, tack to side of pillow. **CW**



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Elegant Snowflakes

Designs by Laura Gebhardt

1 2 3 4 5 6 INTERMEDIATE

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Place Mat: Approximately 11¼ inches x 16 inches including border

Napkin Ring: 2¾ inches deep

MATERIALS

- Size 10 crochet cotton: Approximately 130 yds makes 1 place mat and 1 napkin ring
- Size 7 steel crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle



GAUGE

In filet mesh, 19 sps and 18 rows = 4 inches

To save time, take time to check gauge.

PATTERN NOTES

Join rounds with a slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

When working from charts, read all odd-numbered (right side) rows from right to left; read all even-numbered (wrong side) rows from left to right.

PATTERN STITCHES

Block (bl): Dc in each of next 2 sts.

Sp: Ch 1, sk next dc or next ch-1 sp, dc in next st.

Beg sp: Ch 4 (counts as first dc, ch-1), sk next st, dc in next dc.

Bl over bl: Dc in each of next 2 dc.

Bl over sp: Dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next dc.

Sp over bl: Ch 1, sk next dc, dc in next dc.



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Sp over sp: Ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next dc.

Beg V-st: [Ch 4, dc] in indicated st or sp.

V-st: [Dc, ch 1, dc] in indicated st or sp.

P: Ch 3, sl st in last sc made.

PLACE MAT

BODY

Row 1 (RS): Ch 146, dc in 6th ch from hook, [ch 1, sk next ch, dc in next ch] rep across, turn. (71 sps)

Row 2: Beg sp, [sp over sp] 3 times, *bl over sp, [sp over sp]

5 times, bl over sp**, [sp over sp] 7 times, rep from * across, ending last rep at **, [sp over sp] 4 times, turn.

Rows 3–45: Follow Chart A; don't fasten off at end of Row 45; don't turn at end of Row 45.

BORDER

Rnd 1: Working over row ends across side, beg V-st in last st of last row, ch 5, V-st over end of next-to-last row, *[ch 5, sk next row, V-st over end of next row] 21 times, ch 5, V-st in first ch-1 sp of next row, ch-5, V-st in next ch-1 sp, [ch 5, sk next ch-1 sp, v-st in next sp] 34 times, ch 5*, V-st in last sp of row,

ch- 5, V-st over end of next row, rep from * to *, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-4.

Rnd 2: Sl st in first V-st sp, ch 1, sc in same sp, *ch 3, [sc, p] in next ch-5 sp, ch 3**, sc in next V-st sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in beg sc, fasten off.

NAPKIN RING

BODY

Row 1: Ch 56, dc in 6th ch from hook, [ch 1, sk next ch, dc in next ch] rep across, turn. (26 sps)

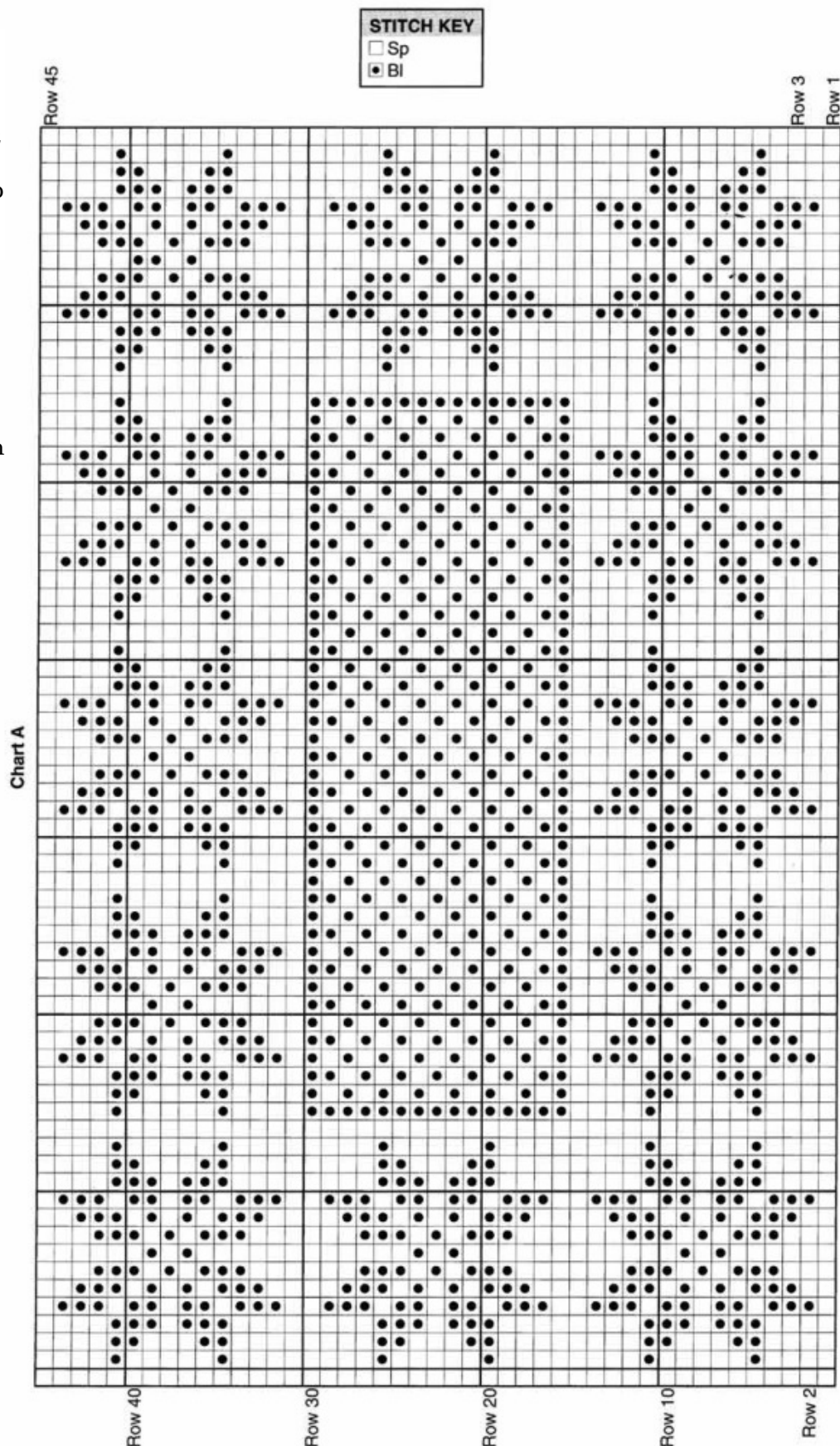
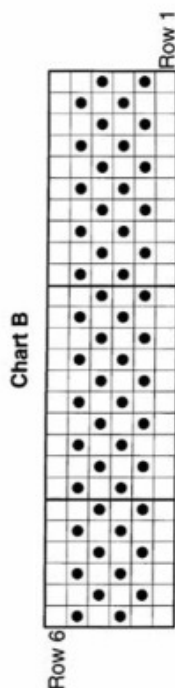
Rows 2-6: Follow Chart B; fasten off at end of Row 6, leaving short length for sewing.

With tapestry needle, sew row ends tog to form ring.

BORDER

Rnd 1: With RS facing, attach thread with a sl st in first ch-1 sp after seam on either edge, beg V-st in same sp, ch 5, [sk next sp, V-st in next sp, ch 5] rep around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-4.

Rnd 2: Rep Rnd 2 of border for place mat. **CW**



Praying Angel Ornaments

Designs by Constance Thomas

1 2 3 4 5 6 INTERMEDIATE

FINISHED SIZES

Angels range in size from 5½ inches to 6 inches tall.

MATERIALS

- Aunt Lydia's Art. 150 by Coats & Clark or size 10 crochet cotton thread 200 yds #201 white
- 26-gauge floral wire: 4½ inch piece 4 inch piece
- Wire cutters
- Small amount of fiberfill
- 4 inches x 6½ inches Styrofoam® cone (If unable to find size needed, purchase a larger size and cut top to size needed.)
- Plastic wrap
- Hot-glue gun and glue sticks
- Aleene's™ Fabric Stiffener
- No. 7 steel hook or hook needed to obtain gauge



GAUGE

9 dc = 1 inch; 4 dc rows = 1 inch;
2 shells = 1 inch; 3 shell rows = 1 inch

SPECIAL STITCHES

Beginning shell (beg shell): (sl st, ch 3, dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in first ch sp.

Shell: (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next st or next ch sp.

Beginning V-st (beg V-st): (sl st, ch 4, dc) in first ch sp.

V-stitch (V-st): (dc, ch 1, dc) in next st or ch sp.

Picot: Ch 4, sl st in 3rd ch from hook, ch 1.



No holiday would be complete without an angel. Here we give you two great options. Set them around to look pretty or add them to your tree to add a touch of elegance.

SHELL ANGEL

HEAD & GOWN

Rnd 1: Starting at top of Head, ch 2, 8 sc in 2nd ch from hook, join with sl st in first sc. (8 sc made)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around, join. (16)

Rnd 3: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in next st, (2 sc in next st, sc in next st) around, join. (24)

Rnds 4–6: Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in each st around, join with sl st in top of ch-3.

Rnd 7: Ch 1, sc in first st, sc next 2 sts tog, (sc in next st, sc next 2 sts tog) around, join. (16 sc)

Rnd 8: Ch 1, sc in each of first 2 sts, sc next 2 sts tog, (sc in each of next 2 sts, sc next 2 sts tog) around, join. Stuff. (12)

Rnd 9: Ch 1, sc in each st around, join.

Rnd 10: For Neck, ch 3, dc in each st around, join with sl st in top of ch-3.

Rnd 11: (Ch 3, dc) in first st, dc in next st, (2 dc in next st, dc in next st) around, join. (18)

Rnd 12: For Gown, (ch 3, dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in first st (*shell made*), sk next 2 sts, ***shell** (see *Special Stitches*) in next st, sk next 2 sts; rep from * around, join. (6 shells)

Rnds 13 & 14: Sl st in next st, **beg shell** (see *Special Stitches*) in first ch sp, ch 3, (shell in ch sp of next shell, ch 3) around, join. (6 shells, 6 ch-3 sps)

Rnd 15: Sl st in next st, beg shell in ch sp of first shell, ch 2, sc around next 2 ch-3 sps on last 2 rnds, ch 2, (shell in next shell, ch 2, sc around next 2 ch-3 sps on last 2 rnds, ch 2) around, join.

Rnd 16: Sl st in next st, beg shell in first shell, ch 3, (shell in next shell, ch 3) around, join.

Rnd 17: Sl st in next st, (sl st, ch 4, dc, ch 1, dc) in ch-2 sp of beg shell, ch 1, sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 1, *(dc, ch 1, dc, ch 1, dc) in ch sp of next shell, ch 1, sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 1; rep from * around, join with sl st in third ch of ch-4.

Rnd 18: Ch 4, dc in next st, ch 1, dc in next st, ch 2, sc in next sc, ch 2, (dc in next st, ch 1, dc in next st, ch 1, dc in next st, ch 2, sc in next sc, ch 2) around, join.

Rnd 19: Beg V-st (see *Special Stitches*) in first ch-1 sp, ch 1, **V-st** (see *Special Stitches*) in next ch-1 sp, ch 2, sc in next sc, ch 2, (V-st in next ch-1 sp, ch 1, V-st in next ch-1 sp, ch 2, sc in next sc, ch 2) around, join.

Rnd 20: Beg shell in ch sp of first V-st, sk next ch-1 sp, shell in ch sp of next V-st, sk next 2 ch-2 sps,

(shell in ch sp of next V-st, sk next ch-1 sp, shell in ch sp of next V-st, sk next 2 ch-2 sps) around, join with sl st in top of ch-3.

Rnd 21: Sl st in next st, beg shell in ch sp of first shell, ch 1, (shell in ch sp of next shell, ch 1) around, join.

Rnds 22 & 23: Sl st in next st, beg shell in first shell, ch 3, (shell in next shell, ch 3) around, join.

Rnd 24: Sl st in next st, beg shell in first shell, ch 2, sc around next 2 ch-3 sps on last 2 rnds, ch 2, (shell in next shell, ch 2, sc around next 2 ch-3 sps on last 2 rnds, ch 2) around, join.

Rnd 25: Sl st in next st, (sl st, ch 3, dc) in ch sp of first shell, 2 dc in same ch sp as last st made, ch 2, sc in next sc, ch 2, *(2 dc, **picot**—see *Special Stitches*, 2 dc) in next shell, ch 2, sc in next sc, ch 2; rep from * around, join. Fasten off.

ARM

Make 2.

Ch 22, dc in third ch from hook, dc in each ch across. Fasten off.

WINGS

Row 1: Starting at top of center back, ch 4, sl st in first ch to form ring, ch 3, 10 dc in ring, turn. (11 dc made)

Row 2: (Ch 3, dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in first st (*shell made*), (ch 3, sk next st, shell in next st) 5 times, turn. (6 shells)

Row 3: Ch 4 (*counts as first dc and ch-1 sp*), (shell in ch sp of next shell, ch 1) across, dc in last dc of last shell, turn. (6 shells, 2 dc)

Row 4: Ch 4, shell in first shell, (ch 2, shell in next shell) across, ch 1, dc in last dc, turn.

Row 5: Ch 4, shell in first shell, (ch 4, shell in next shell) across, ch 1, dc in last dc, turn.

Row 6: Ch 4, shell in first shell, (ch 5, shell in next shell) across, ch 1, dc in last dc, turn.

Row 7: Ch 4, (shell, ch 1, shell) in first shell, ch 3, sc around next 2 ch sp on last 2 rnds, ch 3, (shell in next shell, ch 3, sc around next 2 ch sp on last 2 rnds, ch 3) across to last shell, (shell, ch 1, shell) in last shell, ch 1, dc in last st, turn. (8 shells)

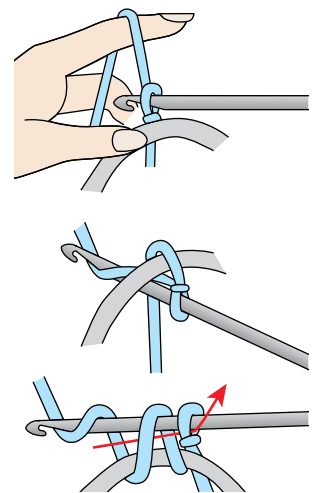
Row 8: Ch 4, shell in first shell, ch 2, (shell in next shell, ch 3, shell in next sc, ch 3) across to last 2 shells, shell in next shell, ch 3, shell in ch sp of last shell, ch 1, dc in last st, turn.

Row 9: Ch 4, (shell, ch 2, shell) in first shell, (ch 4, shell in next shell) across to last shell, ch 4, (shell, ch 2, shell) in last shell, ch 1, dc in last st. Fasten off.

HALO

Twist one end on 4½ inch floral wire into a 1 inch diameter loop, leaving long end. Bend end down for stem. Trim end to 1 inch.

Working around loop (see *illustrations*), join with sc next to secured twist on loop, work sc around loop covering completely, join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off.



Single Crochet Around Ring

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Glittery Star Ornaments

Design by Katherine Eng

1 2 3 4 5 6 **CONFIDENT BEGINNER**

FINISHED MEASUREMENT

2¾ inches from point to point

MATERIALS

- Red Heart Super Saver medium (worsted) weight acrylic yarn (7 oz/364 yds/198g per skein):
2½ yds each #347 light periwinkle, #885 delft blue and #886 blue
- Red Heart Holiday medium (worsted) weight acrylic/polyester yarn (3½ oz/235 yds/100g per skein):
3 yds #140 white/silver
- Size F/5/3.75mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- 6mm clear crystal beads: 1 for each ornament
- Craft glue



GAUGE

Rnds 1 and 2 = 1¾ inches point to point

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

ORNAMENT

With desired blue, ch 4, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*) in first ch to form ring.

Note: Do not ch 1 to beg rnds 1 and 2.

Rnd 1 (RS): Work [sc, ch 2] in ring 6 times, join in first sc. (6 sc, 6 ch-2 sps)

Rnd 2: Work [(sc, ch 3, sc) in next ch-2 sp, sl st in next sc] 6 times, join in joining sl st. Fasten off. (12 sc, 6 sl sts, 6 ch-3 sps)

Rnd 3: With white/silver, draw up a lp in any sl st, ch 1, sc in same st, *ch 2, (sc, ch 2, sc) in **back lp** (see *Stitch Guide*) of center ch of next ch-3 sp, ch 2**, sc in next

sl st, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in beg sc, ch 20 (for hanger), sl st in joining sl st. Fasten off.

FINISHING

Glue a bead onto center of each Ornament. 



*Need a new look for your tree?
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stars in no time with these fast
and easy ornaments.*

Swirling Icicles

Design by Joyce Geisler

1 2 3 4 5 6 BEGINNER

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Without bead: ½ inch in diameter x 8 inches long

With bead: ½ inch in diameter x 9½ inches long

MATERIALS

- Aunt Lydia's Classic Crochet size 10 crochet cotton (white: 400 yds per ball; solids: 350 yds per ball):
1 ball each #0001 white and #4370 medium blue
- Size 7/1.65mm steel crochet hook
- Tapestry needle
- #1512-7509 Hildie & Jo plastic bead
- Ornament hook (optional)



GAUGE

With 2 spirals twisted tog: 5 spirals per inch; 6 dc = ½ inch
Gauge is not critical for this project.

PATTERN NOTES

Make longer Icicle by increasing number of beginning chains. For shorter piece, work double crochet into beginning chains until desired length is worked, fasten off, then pick out remaining chains.

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

ICICLE

SPIRAL

Make 1 each white and blue.

Ch 90, 3 dc in 4th ch from hook and in each ch across. Fasten off.

ASSEMBLY & FINISHING

Open ring on bead and set aside.

With Spirals held tog at first 3 dc, twist until they curl around evenly. With ends twisted and held tog, tie

end tails tog to hold Spirals in place.

Twist beg ends of Spirals tog evenly, insert ring through ends, then twist ring closed.

To make a hanging lp, thread a strand of crochet cotton through opposite end of both Spirals and tie or, if desired, insert ornament hook. **CW**

This is such a fun and easy project, you'll want to make enough to fill your tree in any number of color combinations. They work up in about an hour and you can easily adjust the length.



Wintry Mix Centerpiece

Design by Katherine Eng

1 2 3 4 5 6 INTERMEDIATE

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

12 inches wide x 18 inches long

MATERIALS

- Patons Grace light (DK) weight cotton yarn (1¼ oz/ 136 yds/50g per skein): 1 skein #62005 snow
- Size C/2/2.75mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- White sewing thread
- Sewing needle



GAUGE

Rnds 1–3 of Snowflake No. 1 = 2 inches

Rnds 1–3 of Snowflake No. 2 = 2 inches

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

Chain-7 at beginning of round counts as first treble crochet and chain-3 unless otherwise stated.

Chain-3 at beginning of round counts as first double crochet unless otherwise stated.

After completion of first snowflake, work remaining snowflakes and start joining snowflakes together as specified by numbers in photo. You will need to stop on final round of remaining snowflakes at points necessary to join to each additional snowflake.

SPECIAL STITCHES

Small shell: 3 dc in indicated st or sp.

Shell: (2 dc, ch 3, 2 dc) in indicated st or sp.

CENTERPIECE

SNOWFLAKE NO. 1

Rnd 1: Ch 6, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*) in first ch to form a ring, ch 1, 12 sc in ring, join. (12 sc)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, sc in first sc, **small shell** (see *Special Stitches*) in next sc, [sc in next sc, small shell in next sc] around, join in beg sc. (6 small shells, 6 sc)

Rnd 3: Ch 7 (see *Pattern Notes*), *dc in center dc of next small shell, ch 3, **tr** (see *Stitch Guide*) in next sc, ch 3, rep from * around, join in 4th ch of beg ch-7. (12 ch-3 sps, 6 tr, 6 dc)

Rnd 4: Ch 1, *(2 sc, ch 2, 2 sc) in next ch-3 sp, ch 1, sk next dc (or next tr), rep from * around, join to beg sc. Fasten off. (48 sc, 12 ch-2 sps, 12 ch-1 sps)

Rnd 5: Draw up a lp in a ch-1 sp above a tr of rnd 3, ch 1, sc in same sp as beg ch-1, *ch 5, sk over sc sts and ch-2 sps, sc in next ch-1 sp, ch 6, sk over sc sts and ch-2 sps, sc in next ch-1 sp, rep from * around, ending with join in beg sc. (6 ch-5 sps, ch-6 sps, 12 sc)

Rnd 6: *Ch 2, in next ch-5 sp work (sc, ch 2, sc), ch 2, sl st in next sc, ch 2, in next ch-6 sp work (sc, ch 2, sc, ch 6, sc, ch 2, sc), ch 2, sl st in next sc, rep from * around, join in same sc as beg ch-2. Fasten off. (6 ch-6 sps, 42 ch-2 sps, 36 sc)

Rep rnds 1–5 for rem 2 snowflakes, fasten off and set aside until called for in placement as indicated.

SNOWFLAKE NO. 2

Make 6.

Rnd 1: Ch 4, join in first ch to

form a ring, [sc, ch 3] 6 times in ring, join in beg sc. (6 sc, 6 ch-3 sps)

Rnd 2: Sl st in next ch-3 sp, ch 1, (sc, ch 3, sc) in same ch-3 sp, *ch 1, (sc, ch 3, sc) in next ch-3 sp**, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, ch 1, join to beg sc. (6 ch-3 sps, 6 ch-1 sps, 12 sc)

Rnd 3: Sl st in next ch-3 sp, ch 1, (sc, ch 3, sc) in same ch-3 sp, *ch 1, sl st in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**, (sc, ch 3, sc) in next ch-3 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in beg sc. (6 ch-3 sps, 6 sl sts, 12 ch-1 sps, 12 sc)

Rnd 4: Sl st in next ch-3 sp, ch 1, sc in same ch-3 sp, *ch 3, hdc in next sl st, ch 3**, sc in next ch-3 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in beg sc. (6 sc, 6 hdc, 12 ch-3 sps)

Rnd 5: Ch 3 (see *Pattern Notes*) (dc, ch 3, 2 dc) in same sc as beg ch-3, *ch 3, sl st in next hdc, ch 3**, ****shell** (see *Special Stitches*) in next sc, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (6 shells, 12 ch-3 sps, 6 sl sts)

Rnd 6: *Ch 2, sk next dc, (sc, ch 2, sc, ch 6, sc, ch 2, sc) in ch-3 sp of shell, ch 2, sk next dc, sl st in next dc, ch 3, (sl st, ch 2, sl st) in next sl st, ch 3**, sl st in next dc, rep from * around ending last rep at **, sl st to join in same dc as beg ch-2. Fasten off. (24 ch-2 sps, 24 sc, 12 ch-3 sps, 6 ch-6 sps, 6 sl sts)

ASSEMBLY

As snowflakes are worked on final rnd, they must be joined at the aligned ch 6 points, as follows: ch 3, drop lp, draw lp under to over through opposite ch-6 lp. Ch 3 and continue in pattern st. Where 1 point needs to be joined to 2 points, ch 3, drop lp, draw lp under to

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*Pretty bright-white
snowflakes join to make
the perfect centerpiece
for your holiday table.*

A Triumvirate of Snowflakes

Designs by Julie Blagojevich

1 2 3 4 5 6 INTERMEDIATE

FINISHED MEASUREMENT

Depending on gauge, Snowflakes measure 4¼–4½ inches in diameter.

MATERIALS

- Lizbeth size 10 crochet cotton (122 yds per ball):
1 ball #601 snow white
- Size 9/1.25mm steel crochet hook or size needed to create crisp stitches
- Tapestry needle
- Blocking squares and pins
- White school glue or heavy spray starch
- Aluminum foil



GAUGE

Gauge is not important for this project.

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

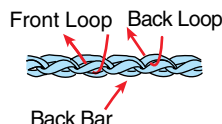
Chain-4 at beginning of round counts as first treble crochet unless otherwise stated.

Chain-3 at beginning of round counts as first double crochet unless otherwise stated.

SPECIAL STITCHES

2-double crochet cluster (2-dc cl): Yo, insert hook in indicated sp, yo, pull up a lp, yo, draw through 2 lps on hook (2 lps on hook), yo, insert hook in same sp, yo, pull up a lp, yo, draw through 2 lps on hook (3 lps on hook), yo, draw through all 3 lps on hook.

Picot: Ch 2, inserting hook under **front lp and back bar of chs** (see illustration), sc in 2nd ch from hook.



Anatomy of a Chain

Beginning 2 treble crochet cluster (beg 2-tr cl): Ch 4 (see Pattern Notes), tr in indicated st or sp.

2-treble crochet cluster (2-tr cl): Yo twice, insert hook in indicated st or sp, draw up a lp, [yo, draw through 2 lps on hook] twice, yo twice, insert hook in same st or sp, draw up a lp, [yo, draw through 2 lps on hook] twice, yo, draw through all 3 lps on hook.

ORNAMENTS

SNOWFLAKE 1

Ch 6, **join** (see Pattern Notes) in 6th ch from hook to form ring.

Rnd 1: Ch 3 (see Pattern Notes), 11 dc in ring, join in top of beg ch-3. (12 dc)

Rnd 2: Sl st in next st, [ch 3, sk next st, sl st in next st] around, working last sl st in beg sl st. (6 ch-3 sps)

Rnd 3: (Sl st, ch 3, **2-dc cl**—see Special Stitches, ch 3, sl st—*petal made*) in each ch-3 sp around to last ch-3 sp, (sl st, ch 3, 2-dc cl, dc) in last ch-3 sp. (6 petals)

Rnd 4: Drop lp from hook, insert hook from back to front in top of last 2-dc cl, pick up lp and draw through to WS of work, *ch 21, sl st in 14th ch from hook, ch 7, sl st in same 2-dc cl (*stem made*),

ch 5, sl st in top of next 2-dc cl, rep from * around, working last sl st in same 2-dc cl as beg ch-21. (6 stems, 6 ch-5 sps)

Rnd 5: (8 sc in first ch-7 sp, 16 sc in ch-14 sp, 8 sc in last ch-7 sp) of first stem, [6 sc in next ch-5 sp*, (8 sc in first ch-7 sp, 16 sc in ch-14 sp, 8 sc in last ch-7 sp) of next stem] around, ending last rep at *, join in beg sc. (228 sc)

Rnd 6: (Sl st, ch 1, sc) in next st of first stem, sc in next 2 sts, **picot** (see Special Stitches), *sk next st, sc in next 3 sts, [sk next st, sc in next 3 sts, picot] twice, sc in next 3 sts, picot, [sk next st, sc in next 3 sts] twice, picot, sk next st, sc in next 3 sts, sk next st, sc in next st, ch 4, sc in 2nd ch from hook, dc in 3rd ch, and tr in 4th ch, sk next 4 sts**, sc in next st, sk next st, sc in next 3 sts, picot, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, sk last st, join in joining sl st. Fasten off.

SNOWFLAKE 2

Ch 6, **join** (see Pattern Notes) in 6th ch from hook to form ring.

Rnd 1: Beg 2-tr cl (see Special Stitches) in ring, [ch 4, **2-tr cl** (see Special Stitches) in ring] 5 times, ch 4, **join** (see Pattern Notes) in beg 2-tr cl. (6 2-tr cls, 6 ch-4 sps)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, sc in beg 2-tr cl, 5 sc in first ch-4 sp, [sc in next 2-tr cl, 5 sc in next ch-4 sp] around, join in beg sc. (36 sc)

Rnd 3: Beg 2-tr cl in beg sc, [sk next 2 sts, (ch 4, tr, sl st, ch 4, tr) in next st (*petal made*), sk next 2 sts*, 2-tr cl in next st] around, ending last rep at *, join in beg 2-tr cl. (6 petals, 6 2-tr cls)

Rnd 4: Inserting hook under **front lp and back bar of chs** (see illustration), *[ch 3, dc in 3rd ch from hook] 4 times, ch 5, sl st in 5th ch from hook, [ch 3, dc in 3rd ch from hook] 4 times, sl st in

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Delicate and jewel-like, these three snowflake designs will adorn any evergreen tree and create a lovely white Christmas.

Snowflake Afghan

Design by Dorothy Warrell

1 2 3 4 5 6 INTERMEDIATE

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

46 inches wide x 67 inches long

MATERIALS

- Red Heart Super Saver medium (worsted) weight acrylic yarn (7 oz/364 yds/198g per skein):
5 skeins #3945 blue suede
4 skeins #311 white
- Size G/6/4mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Yarn needle



GAUGE

5 dc = 1½ inches

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

Chain-4 at beginning of round counts as first double crochet unless otherwise stated.

Chain-3 at beginning of round or row counts as first double crochet unless otherwise stated.

Chain-6 at beginning of round counts as first double crochet and chain-3 unless otherwise stated.

Chain-2 at beginning of round counts as first half double crochet unless otherwise stated.

SPECIAL STITCHES

Picot: Ch 3, sl st in first ch of ch-3.

Half double crochet decrease (hdc dec): Yo, insert hook in sc before seam, yo, draw up lp, yo, insert hook in sc after seam, yo, draw up lp (5 lps on hook) yo, draw through all 5 lps on hook, ch 1.

AFGHAN

SNOWFLAKE MOTIF 1

Make 15.

Rnd 1 (RS): With white, ch 7, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*) in first ch to form a ring, **ch 4** (see *Pattern Notes*), [dc in ring, ch 1] 11 times, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-4. (12 dc, 12 ch-1 sps)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, sc in same st as beg ch-1, ch 5, sk 1 dc, [sc in next dc, ch 5, sk 1 dc] 5 times, join in beg sc. (6 ch-5 lps, 6 sc)

Rnd 3: Sl st in 3rd ch of next ch-5 sp, ch 1, (sc, ch 3, sc) in same ch-5 lp (corner lp), ch 5, [(sc, ch 3, sc) in next ch-5 lp, ch 5] 5 times, join in beg sc. (6 ch-3 lps, 6 ch-5 lps)

Rnd 4: Sl st in ch-3 lp of corner lp, ch 1, (sc, **picot**—see *Special Stitches*, sc) in same ch-3 lp (corner), ch 3, sc in next ch-5 lp, ch 3, [(sc, picot, sc) in next ch-3 lp, ch 3, sc in next ch-5 lp, ch 3] around, join in beg sc. Fasten off. (6 picots, 12 ch-3 lps)

Rnd 5: Join blue in first sc of corner, ch 4, *sk picot, dc in next sc, 3 dc in next ch-3 lp, dc in next sc, 3 dc in next ch-3 lp**, dc in next sc, ch 1, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-4. (54 dc, 6 ch-1 sps)

Rnd 6: Ch 3 (see *Pattern Notes*), *3 dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in each of next 8 dc**, dc in next dc, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (72 dc)

Rnd 7: Join white with sl st in 2nd dc of any 3-dc corner, ch 1, 3 sc in same dc, *sc in each of next 11 dc**, 3 sc in next dc, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in beg sc. Fasten off. (84 sc)

Rnd 8: Join blue with sl st in 2nd sc of 3-sc corner, ch 3, 2 dc in same st, *dc in each of next 13 sc**, 3 dc in next sc, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (96 dc) Fasten off.

SNOWFLAKE MOTIF 2

Make 15.

Rnd 1: With white, ch 6, join in first ch to form a ring, ch 1, 12 sc in ring, join in beg sc. (12 sc)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, sc in same sc as beg ch-1, ch 7, sk 1 sc, [sc in next sc, ch 7, sk 1 sc] around, join in beg sc. (6 ch-7 lps)

Rnd 3: Sl st in 3rd ch of next ch-7 lp, ch 1, sc in same ch, ch 4, sk next ch, sc in 5th ch (corner lp), ch 4, [sc in 3rd ch of next ch-7 lp, ch 4, sk next ch, sc in 5th ch of same ch-7 lp (corner lp), ch 4] around, join in beg sc. (12 ch-4 lps)

Rnd 4: Sl st in corner ch-4 sp, ch 1, [(sc, picot sc) in corner ch-4 lp, ch 3, sc in next ch-4 lp, ch 3] around, join in beg sc. Fasten off. (6 picots, 12 ch-3 lps)

Rnds 5–8: Rep rnds 5–8 of Snowflake Motif 1.

SNOWFLAKE MOTIF 3

Make 20.

Rnd 1: With white, ch 5, join in first ch to form a ring, **ch 6** (see *Pattern Notes*), [dc in ring, ch 3] 5 times, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-6. (6 dc, 6 ch-3 lps)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, (sc, picot, sc) in same dc as joining, ch 1, sc in next ch-3 lp, ch 1, [(sc, picot, sc) in next dc, ch 1, sc in next ch-3 lp, ch 1] around, join in beg sc. Fasten off. (6 picots, 18 sc, 12 ch-1 sps)

Rnd 3: Join blue in any picot, ch 1, sc in same picot, ch 2, sk next ch-1 sp, 3 dc in next sc, ch 2, sk next ch-1 sp, sc in next picot, ch 2, sk next ch-1 sp, 3 tr in next sc, ch 2, ((dtr, ch 1) twice, dtr) in next picot



Large hexagon motifs highlighted with elegant, lacy snowflakes are beautifully set off with smaller connecting diamond-shaped motifs accented with more solid snowflakes.

(center top), ch 2, sk next ch-1 sp, 3 tr in next sc, ch 2, sk next ch-1 sp, sc in next picot, ch 2, sk next ch-1 sp, 3 dc in next sc, ch 2, sk next ch-1 sp, sc in next picot, ch 2, sk next ch-1 sp 3 tr in next sc, ch 2, ((dtr, ch 1) twice, dtr) in next picot (center bottom), ch 2, sk next ch-1 sp, 3 tr in next sc, ch 2, sk next ch-1 sp, join in beg sc. (6 dtr, 12 tr, 6 dc, 4 sc)

Rnd 4: Ch 1, sc in sc, *2 sc in ch-2 sp, hdc in first dc, 3 dc in next dc, hdc in 3rd dc, 2 sc in ch-2 sp, sc in next sc, 2 sc in ch-2 sp, sc in each of next 3 tr, 2 sc in next ch-2 sp, sc in dtr, sc in next ch-1 sp, (sc, dc, sc) in center dtr, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next dtr, 2 sc in next ch-2 sp, sc in each of next 3 tr, 2 sc in next ch-2 sp**, sc in next sc, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in beg sc. Fasten off. (64 sts)

HALF SNOWFLAKE MOTIF 4

Make 10.

Row 1: With white, ch 5, join in first ch to form a ring, ch 6, [dc in ring, ch 3] 3 times, dc in ring, turn.

Row 2: Ch 2, sc in ch-3 sp, [ch 1, (sc, picot, sc) in next dc, ch 1, sc in next ch-3 sp] 3 times, turn. Fasten off.

Row 3: Join blue in first sc, ch 3, dc in same sc, ch 2, sc in picot, ch 2, 3 tr in next sc, ch 2, ((dtr, ch 1) twice, dtr) in next picot, ch 2, 3 tr in next sc, ch 2, sc in next picot, ch 2, 2 dc in last sc, turn. (3 dtr, 6 dc, 4 dc, 2 sc)

Row 4: Ch 3, dc in same st, hdc in next dc, 2 sc in next ch-2 sp, sc in next sc, 2 sc in next ch-2 sp, sc in each of next 3 tr, 2 sc in next ch-2 sp, sc in dtr, sc in next ch-1 sp, (sc, dc, sc) in next dtr, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next dtr, 2 sc in next ch-2 sp, sc in each of next 3 tr, 2 sc in next ch-2 sp, sc in next sc, 2 sc in next ch-1 sp, hdc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc. Fasten off. (33 sts)

ASSEMBLY

Using Assembly Diagram as a guide for vertical seams of Snowflake Motifs 1 and 2, holding 2 Motifs tog, join white in center dc of 3-dc group with sl st, [ch 1, sl st] across edge. Fasten off. Rep until all Snowflake Motifs 1 and 2 are joined on vertical edge.

Join Snowflake Motif 3 in opening, join white with sl st in top center dc of Motif and in sc of vertical seam with sl st, ch 1, matching sts, sl st, [ch 1, sl st] across edge. Fasten off. Continue until all Snowflake Motifs 3 are joined.

Join Snowflake Motifs 4 in same manner as Snowflake Motifs 3 as indicated on Assembly Diagram.

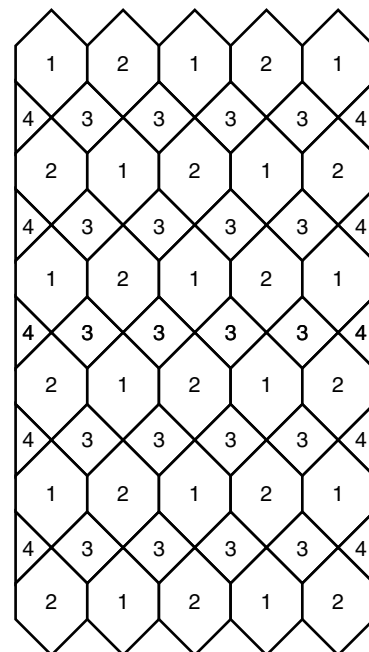
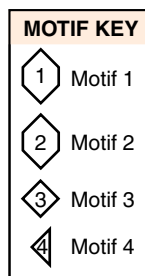
BORDER

Rnd 1 (RS): Join white with sl st in upper right corner, sc in

each st across top, working 3 sc in each point and 1 sc in each seam, sc evenly sp across side edge of Afghan with 2 sc in side seams, adjusting so work lays flat, sc in each st across bottom, working 3 sc in each point and 1 sc in each seam, sc evenly sp across 2nd side edge of Afghan with 2 sc in side seams, adjusting so work lays flat, join in beg sc. Fasten off.

Rnd 2: Join white in center corner sc, **ch 2** (see *Pattern Notes*), hdc in each st across, working 3 hdc in corner and center sc of each point, **hdc dec** (see *Special Stitches*) in sc before and after seam, sc evenly sp around, join in beg sc.

Rnd 3: Ch 1, **reverse sc** (see *Stitch Guide*) in each st around outer edge of Afghan, join in beg sc. Fasten off. **cw**



Snowflake Afghan
Assembly Diagram

Merry Stocking

Design by Lisa Gentry

1 2 3 4 5 6 INTERMEDIATE

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

5½ inches wide across Leg x
17 inches long

MATERIALS

- Plymouth Yarn Encore
Worsted medium (worsted)
weight acrylic/wool yarn
(3½ oz/200 yds/100g per skein):
1 skein each #1001 merry, #0475
stitch red, #0146 winter white
and #0054 Christmas green
- Size H/8/5mm crochet hook or size
needed to obtain gauge
- Yarn needle



GAUGE

[Shell, ch 1] 4 times = 3½ inches;
3 Stocking rnds = 1¾ inches

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

Chain-3 at beginning of round counts as first double crochet unless otherwise stated.

SPECIAL STITCHES

Beginning shell (beg shell):
(Ch 3, 2 dc) in indicated st or sp.

Shell: 3 dc in indicated st or sp.

Corner shell: (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in indicated st or sp.

COLOR SEQUENCE

Change color each rnd of each Square as follows:

Square 1: Dark green, off-white and red.

Square 2: Dark green, red and off-white.

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*Traditional meets
the retro granny
square in this
festive holiday
stocking.*

Holiday Snow Afghan

Design by Katherine Eng

1 2 3 4 5 6 EASY

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

45 inches wide x 60 inches long

MATERIALS

- Red Heart Super Saver medium (worsted) weight acrylic yarn (7 oz/364 yds/198g per skein):
3 skeins #368 paddy green
2 skeins each #316 soft white and #319 cherry red
- Size G/6/4mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Yarn needle



GAUGE

Snowflake = 3½ inches tip to tip

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Unless otherwise indicated, work in specified stitches only, skipping over others.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

SPECIAL STITCHES

Shell: (2 dc, ch 3, 2 dc) in indicated sp.

V-stitch (V-st): (Sc, ch 2, sc) in indicated st or sp.

AFGHAN

FIRST SQUARE

Rnd 1 (RS): Beg at center of Snowflake, with white, ch 4, **join** (see Pattern Notes) in first ch to form a ring, 8 sc in ring, join in beg sc. (8 sc)

Rnd 2: [Ch 3, sl st in next sc] 7 times, ch 3, sl st in joining sl st of rnd 1, sl st in next ch-3 sp. (8 ch-3 sps)

Rnd 3: Ch 1, sc in same ch-3 sp as beg ch-1, [ch 3, sc in next ch-3 sp] 7 times, ch 3, join in beg sc, sl st in next ch-3 sp. (8 ch-3 sps)

Rnd 4: Ch 1, (2 sc, ch 2, 2 sc) in same ch-3 sp as beg ch-1, sl st in next sc, [(2 sc, ch 2, 2 sc) in next ch-3 sp, sl st in next sc] around. Fasten off. (32 sc, 8 ch-2 sps)

Rnd 5: Draw up a lp of green in any ch-2 sp, ch 1, **V-st** (see Special Stitches) in same ch-2 sp as beg ch-1, ch 4, [V-st in next ch-2 sp, ch 4] around, join in beg sc. (8 V-sts, 8 ch-4 sps)

Rnd 6: Sl st in ch-2 sp, *(2 sc, hdc) in next ch-4 sp, **shell** (see Special Stitches) in next ch-2 sp, (hdc, 2 sc) in next ch-4 sp**, sl st in next ch-2 sp, rep from * around ending last rep at **, join in beg sl st. (4 shells, 8 hdc, 16 sc, 4 sl sts)

Rnd 7: Ch 1, sc in each st around, (sc, ch 3, sc) in each corner ch-3 sp, join in beg sc. Fasten off. (52 sc, 4 ch-3 sps)

Note: The following Rnd 8 is for First Square only.

Rnd 8: Draw up a lp of red in 2nd sc to the left of any corner ch-3 sp, ch 1, V-st in same sc, sk next sc, [V-st in next sc, sk next sc] across to corner ch-3 sp, (sc, ch 2, sc, ch 4, sc, ch 2, sc) in corner ch-3 sp] around, join in beg sc. Fasten off. (32 ch-2 sps, 4 ch-4 sps)

2ND-63RD SQUARES

Rnds 1-7: Rep rnds 1-7 of First Square.

Note: Join Squares on 1 side or 2 as necessary while working rows of Squares. When joining, work in ch-2 sps of V-sts, joining 7 Squares wide by 9 Squares long.

Rnd 8: With rnd 8 of First Square as a guide, to join on 1 side, connect from corner to corner at ch-2 sp and ch-4 sp as follows. To connect ch-2 sps, ch 1, drop lp, draw lp under to over through opposite ch-2 sp, ch 1 and continue.

To connect at ch-4 sps, ch 2, drop lp, draw lp under to over through opposite ch-4 sp, ch 2 and continue.

To join where 4 corners meet, ch 2, drop lp, draw lp under to over through opposite ch-4 sp (to the right), ch 1, drop lp, sk next ch-4 sp, draw lp under to over through next ch-4 sp, ch 2 and continue.

When all Squares are joined, work Border.

BORDER

Rnd 1: Draw up a lp of red in first ch-2 sp to the left of any corner ch-4 sp, ch 1, V-st in each ch-2 sp around working at each joining seam, sc in next corner ch-4 sp, ch 2, sk joining seam, sc in next corner ch-4 sp. Work at each of the 4 corners, (sc, ch 4, sc) in corner ch-4 sp, join in beg sc, sl st in next ch-2 sp. (56 V-sts across each top and bottom, plus 6 ch-2 sps at joining seams, 72 V-sts across each side, plus 8 ch-2 sps at joining seams)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, V-st in each ch-2 sp of V-st and in each ch-2 sp of joining of Squares, working (sc, ch 2, sc, ch 2, sc) in each corner ch-4 sp, join in beg sc. Fasten off. (62 V-sts across top and bottom, 80 V-sts across sides, 4 corners)

Rnd 3: Draw up a lp of white in any ch-2 sp on side of Afghan, ch 1, V-st in each ch-2 sp of each V-st around working at each corner, V-st in first ch-2 sp, (sc, ch 4, sc) in center corner sc, V-st in 2nd corner ch-2 sp, join in beg sc. Fasten off.

FINISHING

With WS facing block lightly. 

Add a touch of class and tradition to your living room with this Christmassy motif afghan.



Peppermint Stick Throw

Design by Kathleen Berlew

1 2 3 4 5 6 **INTERMEDIATE**

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

42 inches wide x 49 inches long,
including border

MATERIALS

- Red Heart Soft medium (worsted) weight acrylic yarn (5 oz/256 yds/141g per skein):
 - 5 skeins #4600 white
 - 5 skeins #9925 really red
- Size I/9/5.5mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle



GAUGE

In pattern st: 14 sts = 4 inches;
8 rows = 4 inches

PATTERN NOTES

Throw is worked in rows with color changes made for each cable panel.

Use a separate ball for each panel. When changing color, drop previous color and proceed with new color; do not carry yarn or work over previous color.

To prevent gaps between panels, make first stitch of each panel on wrong side as follows: Yarn over and insert hook under strand of new color carried up from previous row and then into first stitch of panel. Yarn over and complete double crochet as usual.

To prevent tangling, make a center-pull cake for each cable panel (8 white, 7 red). Make additional cakes as needed.

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Chain-3 at beginning of row or round counts as first double crochet unless otherwise stated.

Join with a slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

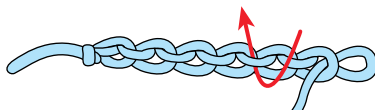
SPECIAL STITCHES

4-stitch cable (4C): Sk next 2 sts, **fptr** (see *Stitch Guide*) around next 2 sts, working in front of fptr just made, fptr in sk sts.

6-stitch cable (6C): Sk next 3 sts, fptr around next 3 sts, working in front of fptr just made, fptr in sk sts.

THROW

Row 1 (RS): With white, ch 144, dc in **back bar** (see *illustration*) of 4th ch from hook and next 10 sts, (**sk 3 chs count as first dc**—see *Pattern Notes*), [**change color** (see *Pattern Notes*) to red, dc in next 10 sts, change to white, dc in next 8 sts] 7 times, dc in last 4 sts, turn. (142 dc)



Back Bar of Chain

Row 2: Ch 3, dc in next 5 sts, **bprr** (see *Stitch Guide*) around next 4 sts, dc in next 2 sts, [change to red, dc in next 2 sts, bprr around next 6 sts, dc in next 2 sts, change to white, dc in next 2 sts, bprr around next 4 sts, dc in next 2 sts] 7 times, dc in last 4 sts, turn. (68 dc, 74 post sts)

Row 3: Ch 3, dc in next 5 sts, **4C** (see *Special Stitches*) over next 4 sts, dc in next 2 sts, [change to red, dc in next 2 sts, fptr around next 6 sts, dc in next 2 sts, change to white, dc in next 2 sts, **4C** over next 4 sts, dc in next 2 sts] 7 times, dc in last 4 sts, turn. (8 **4C**, 42 post sts, 68 dc)

Row 4: Rep row 2.

Row 5: Ch 3, dc in next 5 sts, **4C** over next 4 sts, dc in next 2 sts, [change to red, dc in next 2 sts, **6C** (see *Special Stitches*) over next 6 sts, dc in next 2 sts, change to white, dc in next 2 sts, **4C** over next 4 sts, dc in next 2 sts] 7 times, dc in last 4 sts, turn. (8 **4C**, 7 **6C**, 68 dc)

Row 6: Rep row 2.

Rows 7–90: [Rep rows 3–6] 21 times.

Row 91: Rep row 3.

Row 92: Rep row 4.

Row 93: Ch 3, dc in next 5 dc, fpdc around next 4 sts, dc in next 2 sts, [change to red, dc in next 2 sts, fpdc around next 6 sts, dc in next 2 sts, change to white, dc in next 2 sts, fpdc around next 4 sts, dc in next 2 sts] 7 times, dc in last 4 sts; fasten off all strands.

BORDER

With RS facing, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*) white in any st on top edge, ch 3, dc in each st across, *3 dc in corner, rotate work, dc in side of first row, [2 dc in side of next row, dc in side of next row] across side, 3 dc in corner, rotate work, dc in each st across, rep from *, join in top of beg ch-3, fasten off.

FINISHING

Steam-block, if desired. **CW**



This cheery striped throw gives your holiday decor a twist. The plush red-and-white cable pattern is worked in rows for a seamless effect.

Roses in the Snow

Design by Dot Drake

1 2 3 4 5 6 INTERMEDIATE

FINISHED MEASUREMENT

16 inches in diameter

MATERIALS

- J. & P. Coats Knit-Cro-Sheen
crochet cotton size 10
1 (225-yd) ball white
#1 (MC) and 1 (150-yd) ball
each Spanish red #126 (A) and
hunters green #48 (B)
- Size 8 steel crochet hook or size
needed to obtain gauge



GAUGE

Rnds 1–5 of center motif= 1 7/8 inches
in diameter

To save time, take time to check
gauge.

PATTERN NOTE

Join rounds with a slip stitch
unless otherwise stated.

PATTERN STITCHES

P: Ch 3, sl st in 3rd ch from hook.

Shell: [2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc] in indicated
sp or st.

Tr cl: Holding back on hook last lp
of each st, work 3 tr in indicated sp
or st, yo, draw through all 4 lps on
hook.

Beg tr cl: Ch 3, holding back
on hook last lp of each st, work
2 tr in indicated sp or st, yo, draw
through all 3 lps on hook.

DOILY

CENTER MOTIF

Rnd 1 (RS): With A, ch 6, **join** (see
Pattern Note) to form a ring, ch 1,
12 sc in ring, join in beg sc.

Rnd 2: Ch 1, sc in same st as join-
ing, ch 3, [sk next sc, sc in

next sc, ch 3] rep around, join in
beg sc. (6 ch-3 lps)

Rnd 3: Sl st in first ch-3 lp, ch 1,
beg in same lp, [sc, hdc, 3 dc, hdc,
sc] in each ch-3 lp around, **do not**
join. (6 petals)

Rnd 4: Working from behind
petals, sl st in first unworked
sc of Rnd 2, ch 5, [sl st in next
unworked sc of Rnd 2, ch 5] rep
around, join in beg sl st. (6 ch-5
lps)

Rnd 5: Sl st in first ch-5 lp, ch 1,
beg in same lp, [sc, hdc, 3 dc, **p** (see
Pattern Stitches), 3 dc, hdc, sc] in
each ch-5 lp around, join in beg sc,
fasten off. (6 petals)

Rnd 6: Working behind petals of
last rnd, attach B with a sl st to
back of post of 2nd hdc on any pet-
al, ch 3, tr at back of first hdc on
next petal, ch 12, [holding back on
hook last lp of each st, tr at back of
next hdc on same petal, tr at back
of first hdc on next petal, yo, draw
through all 3 lps on hook, ch 12]
rep around, join in top of first tr.

Rnd 7: Sl st into first ch-12 lp,
ch 1, beg in same lp, work 21 sc in
each ch-12 lp around, join in beg
sc, fasten off. (126 sc)

Rnd 8: With RS facing, attach MC
with a sl st in 6th sc of any 21-sc
group, ch 5 (counts as first dc, ch
2), [sk next sc, dc in next sc, ch 2]
5 times, sk next sc, *holding back
on hook last lp of each st, dc in
next sc, dc in 4th sc of next 21-sc
group, yo, draw through all 3 lps
on hook **, [ch 2, sk next sc, dc in
next sc] 6 times, ch 2, sk next sc,
rep from * around, ending last
rep at **, ch 2, join in 3rd ch of
beg ch-5.

Rnd 9: Ch 3 (counts as first dc),
*[2 dc in next sp, dc in next dc]

twice, **shell** (see *Pattern Stitches*)
in next sp, dc in next dc, [2 dc in
next sp, dc in next dc] twice, dc in
next sp; holding back on hook last
lp of each st, dc in same sp, dc in
next sp, yo, draw through all 3 lps
on hook, dc in same sp **, dc in
next dc, rep from * around, ending
last rep at **, join in 3rd ch of beg
ch-3, fasten off.

Rnd 10: With RS facing, attach A
with a sl st in any shell sp, **beg tr**
cl (see *Pattern Stitches*) in same sp,
* [ch 3, **tr cl** (see *Pattern Stitches*)
in same sp] twice, ch 5, sk next 2
dc of shell and next 2 dc, sc in each
of next 13 sts, ch 5 **, tr cl in next
shell sp, rep from * around, ending
last rep at **, join in top of beg tr
cl, fasten off.

Rnd 11: With RS facing, attach
MC with a sl st in first sc of any
13-sc group, ch 1, beg in same st,
*sc in each of next 13 sc, 7 sc in
next ch-5 sp, [5 sc in next ch-3 sp]
twice, 7 sc in next ch-5 sp, rep from
* around, join in beg sc, fasten off.

FIRST OUTER RING MOTIF

Rnds 1–10: Rep Rnds 1–10 of cen-
ter motif.

Rnd 11: With RS facing, attach
MC with a sl st in first sc of any
13-sc group, ch 1, beg in same st, sc
in each of next 13 sc, 7 sc in next
ch-5 sp, 5 sc in next ch-3 sp, 3 sc
in in next ch-5 sp, sl st in center
sc of any 5-sc group immediately
to the right of a 7 -sc group on last
rnd of center motif, 2 sc in same sp
on working motif (first joining to
center motif), 4 sc in next ch-5 lp
on working motif, sl st in center sc
of next 7 -sc group on center motif,
3 sc in same lp on working motif,
sc in each of next 13 sc, 4 sc in next
ch-5 lp, sl st in center sc of next
7-sc group on center motif, 3 sc in
same lp on working motif, 3 sc in
next ch-5 lp on working motif, sl st
in center sc of next 5-sc group on
center motif, 2 sc in same lp



Capture the endless beauty of the rose and winter's first snowfall with this exquisite centerpiece doily.

on working motif, continue around as for Rnd 11 of center motif, fasten off.

2ND OUTER RING MOTIF

Rnds 1–10: Rep Rnds 1–10 of center motif.

Rnd 11: Working first joining to center motif in 2nd unworked 5-sc group on center motif to the right of first joining to center motif of previous outer ring motif, rep Rnd 11 of first outer ring motif until 2nd 5-sc group of working motif has been joined to center motif, 3 sc in next ch-5 lp, sl st in center sc of corresponding 5-sc group on previous outer ring motif, 2 sc in same lp on working motif, 4 sc in next ch-5 lp on working motif, sl st in center sc of next 7-sc group on previous outer ring motif, 3 sc

in same lp on working motif, sc in each of next 13 sc on working motif, 4 sc in next ch-5 lp on working motif, sl st in center sc of next 7-sc group on previous outer ring motif, 3 sc in same lp on working motif, 3 sc in next ch-5 lp on working motif, sl st in center sc of next 5-sc group on previous outer ring motif, 2 sc in same lp on working motif, continue around as for Rnd 11 of center motif, fasten off.

REM OUTER RING MOTIFS

Make 4.

Rnds 1–11: Rep Rnds 1–11 of 2nd outer ring motif, also joining right edge of 6th outer ring motif to left edge of first outer ring motif.

BORDER

Rnd 1: With RS facing, attach MC

with a sl st in 4th sc of any 7-sc group immediately to the right of a 5-sc group, ch 1, sc in same st, *ch 5, [sc in 3rd sc of next 5-sc group, ch 5] twice, sc in 4th sc of next 7-sc group, ch 5, sc in 3rd sc of next 13-sc group, sc in each of next 8 sc, ch 5 **, sc in 4th sc of next 7-sc group, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in beg sc.

Rnd 2: Sl st in next ch-5 lp, ch 4 (*counts as first tr*), *p, [ch 2, tr, pl twice in same lp, [ch 2, tr in next ch-5 lp, p, {ch 2, tr, p} twice in same lp] twice, ch 2, [tr, p, ch 2] twice in next lp, holding back on hook last lp of each st, tr in same lp, tr in next lp, yo, draw through all 3 lps on hook, ch 2, [tr, p, ch 2] twice in same lp **, tr in next lp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in 4th ch of beg ch-4, fasten off. **CW**

Jolly Wreath Pillow

Design by Andee Graves

1 2 3 4 5 6 **INTERMEDIATE**

FINISHED MEASUREMENT

16½ inches in diameter with edging, to fit a standard 18-inch round pillow insert

MATERIALS

- Lion Brand Yarn Vanna's Choice medium (worsted) weight 100% acrylic (3½ oz/170 yds/100g per ball):
2 balls #100 white (color A)
196 yds #172 kelly green (color B)
40 yds #180 cranberry (color C)
- Size I/9/5.5mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Locking stitch markers in 2 or 3 colors: 12 for marking inc, 2 for marking first st each rnd
- ¾-inch buttons: 3
- 18-inch round pillow form



GAUGE

8 rnds = 4 inches in sc

PATTERN NOTES

Pillow Back is worked in two pieces from the center out, buttons are used to close the back overlap.

Pillow Front is worked from the center out with turned rounds.

Bow is crocheted in 2 pieces and sewn to front of pillow.

To keep the circular shape of Pillow Front and Pillow Backs, increases are worked in single crochet-only rows or rounds. Increases are worked in marked stitches with the stitch marker moved to the 2nd stitch made. At the end of an increase row or round, work is held with right side facing, and stitch markers are moved 4 stitches counterclockwise before beginning next row or round. When working in rows, if

the count of 4 stitches moves the marker off the row, inserted the marker in the appropriate count of stitches at the beginning of the same row, as if working in the round.

On cluster rows or rounds, stitch markers are moved up to the stitch worked in the marked stitch.

Weave in ends as work progresses.

Chain-1 does not count as a stitch unless otherwise stated.

Chain-2 does not count as a stitch unless otherwise stated.

SPECIAL STITCHES

2-double crochet cluster (2-dc cl): [Yo, insert hook into indicated st, yo, pull up a lp, yo, pull through 2 lps] 2 times, yo, pull through 3 lps on hook.

3-double crochet cluster (3-dc cl): [Yo, insert hook into indicated st, yo, pull up a lp, yo, pull through 2 lps] 3 times, yo, pull through 4 lps on hook.

5-double crochet cluster (5-dc cl): [Yo, insert hook into indicated stitch, yo, pull up a lp, yo, pull through 2 lps] 5 times, yo, pull through 6 lps on hook.

PILLOW

BOW

Bow Loop

Rnd 1: Starting with an 8-inch tail and color C, ch 65, working in **back bar of ch** (see *Stitch Guide*), sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each ch to beg of ch, without twisting, sl st in first sc of row to create ring. (64 sc)

Rnd 2: Ch 1 (see *Pattern Notes*), working in **back lps** (see *Stitch Guide*), sc in next 4 sts, [hdc in

next 6 sts, dc in next 12 sts, hdc in next 6 sts], sc in next 8 sts; rep between [] once, sc in next 4 sts, sl st in first st of rnd to join. (16 sc, 24 hdc, 24 dc)

Rnd 3: Ch 1, working in back lps, sc in next 64 sts, sl st in first st of rnd to join. (64 sc)

Rnds 4–7: [Rep rnds 2 and 3] 2 times, fasten off, leaving an 8-inch tail.

Shape Bow

Fold Bow Loop so beg and ending sections of sc are centered over 8 sc. Tack in place using tails and keep tails to sew Bow Loop to Pillow Front.

Bow Center

Rnd 1: With C, **ch 2** (see *Pattern Notes*), 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook, sl st in first sc to join. (6 sc)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, turn, [(tr, sc) in next st] 6 times, sl st in first st to join. (6 tr, 6 sc)

Rnd 3: Ch 1, turn, [sc in next st, 2 sc in next st] 6 times, sl st in first st to join. (18 sc)

Rnd 4: Ch 1, turn, [**2-dc cl** (see *Special Stitches*) in next st, sc in next 2 sts] 6 times, sl st in first st to join, fasten off, leaving a 10-inch tail. (6 2-dc cl, 12 sc)

PILLOW BACKS

Pillow Backing Bottom

Row 1: With color A, ch 2, 3 sc in 2nd ch from hook. (3 sc)

Row 2 (RS): Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next 3 sts. (6 sc)

Row 3: Ch 1, turn, [sc in next st, 2 sc in next st] 3 times. (9 sc)

Row 4: Ch 1, turn, [sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st] 3 times. (12 sc)

Row 5: Ch 1, turn, [sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st] 3 times, place markers in 2nd, 7th, and 12th sts (*inc markers*). (15 sc)



Spruce up your holiday decor with this round textured pillow featuring cluster stitches and a pretty red bow.

Row 6: Ch 1, turn, [sc in each unmarked st, **2 sc in each marked st** (see *Pattern Notes*)] rep to end of row. (18 sc)

After completing row 6, with RS facing, **move each inc st marker 4 sts counter-clockwise** (see *Pattern Notes*).

Rows 7–32: Rep row 6. (96 sc)

Row 33: Ch 1, turn to work along ends of rows, sk first row, sc in side of row 31, sc in side of next 28 rows, hdc in side of next 4 rows, sc in side of next 29 rows. (58 sc, 4 hdc)

Rows 34 & 35: Ch 1, turn, sc in each st, fasten off. (62 sc)

Pillow Backing Top

Rows 1–33: Rep rows 1–33 of Pillow Backing Bottom. (58 sc, 4 hdc)

Row 34: Ch 1, turn, sc in next 14 sts, [ch 2, sk next 2 sts, sc in next 14 sts] 3 times. (56 sc, 3 ch-2 sps)



Row 35: Ch 1, turn, sc in next 14 sts, [2 sc in next ch-2 sp, sc in next 14 sts] 3 times, fasten off. (62 sc)

PILLOW FRONT

Rnd 1: With color A, ch 2, 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook. (6 sc)

Rnd 2 (RS): Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in each st. (12 sc)

Rnd 3: Ch 1, turn, [sc in next st, 2 sc in next st] 6 times. (18 sc)

Rnd 4: Ch 1, turn, [sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st] 6 times. (24 sc)

Rnd 5: Ch 1, turn, [sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st] 6 times, place markers in 2nd, 7th, 12th, 17th, 22nd and 27th sts (*inc markers*). (30 sc)

Rnd 6: Ch 1, turn, [sc in each unmarked st, 2 sc in each marked st] rep to end of row. (36 sc)

Rnds 7–9: Rep rnd 6, fasten off. (54 sc)

Rnd 10: Attach color B in same st as join at end of rnd 9, rep rnd 6. (60 sc)

After moving inc markers, add 6 more inc markers in 5th st counterclockwise from original inc markers (12 *inc markers total*).

Rnd 11: Ch 1, turn, [sc in next st, **3-dc cl** (see *Special Stitches*) in next st] rep to end of rnd, **moving markers up** (see *Pattern Notes*), sl st to join to first st of rnd. (30 3-dc cl, 30 sc)

Rnds 12 and even-numbered rounds through Rnd 24: Rep rnd 6. (144 sc)

Rnd 13: Ch 1, turn, [(sc in next st, 3-dc cl in next st) 2 times, sc in next st, **5-dc cl** (see *Special Stitches*) in next st] rep to end of rnd, sl st to first st of rnd to join. (12 5-dc cl, 24 3-dc cl, 36 sc)

Rnd 15: Ch 1, turn, [sc in next st, 3-dc cl in next st, sc in next st, 5-dc cl in next st] rep to end of rnd, sl st to first st of rnd to join. (21 5-dc cl, 21 3-dc cl, 42 sc)

Rnd 17: Ch 1, turn, [sc in next st, 5-dc cl in next st] rep to end of rnd, sl st in first st of rnd to join. (48 5-dc cl, 48 sc)

Rnd 19: Rep rnd 15. (27 5-dc cl, 27 3-dc cl, 54 sc)

Rnd 21: Rep rnd 13. (20 5-dc cl, 40 3-dc cl, 60 sc)

Rnd 23: Rep rnd 11. (66 3-dc cl, 66 sc)

End color B after rnd 24 and change to color A.

Rnds 25 & 26: Rep rnd 6. (168 sc)

Remove every other inc marker at end of rnd 26 (6 *inc markers rem*).

Rnds 27–30: Rep rnd 6, do not fasten off yarn. (192 sc)

FINISHING & ASSEMBLY

Sew bow loop to rnd 19 of pillow front using beg and ending tails; sew Bow Center over center of Bow Loop using ending tail.

Pin Pillow Front and Pillow Backs with WS tog, placing top back piece overlapping bottom back piece in center and matching outside edges to front piece.

Using yarn still attached to front piece and RS of front piece facing: Ch 1, sc in top of each st in final row or rnd, or ends of rows, working through all layers of front and back pieces to the beg of the rnd, sl st to join. (192 sc)

Edging

Ch 1, do not turn, **reverse sc** (see *Stitch Guide*) in each st around to the beg of the rnd, sl st in first st to join. Fasten off. (192 *reverse sc*)

Sew buttons on back bottom piece opposite buttonholes. Insert pillow form. **CW**

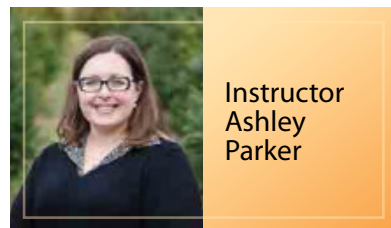


Crochet a Kitty Couch

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1 2 3 4 5 6 INTERMEDIATE

FINISHED MEASUREMENT

Approximately 11½ inches square

MATERIALS

- Medium (worsted) weight yarn:
 - 2 oz red
 - 1 oz each light pink and white
 - Small amounts each black and dark pink
- Size I/9/5.5mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle



GAUGE

Rnds 1–3 of back = 3⅞ inches square
To save time, take time to check gauge.

PATTERN NOTES

Join rounds with a slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

To change colors in double crochet, work last double crochet before color change in working color until last 2 loops before final yarn over remains on hook, drop working color to wrong side, yarn over with next color and complete the double crochet.

SPECIAL STITCHES

Shell: [3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc] in indicated sp or st.

Beg shell: [Ch 3, 2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc] in indicated sp or st.

HOT MAT

FRONT

Rnd 1 (RS): With red, ch 4, join to form a ring, ch 3 (counts as first dc throughout), 2 dc in ring, ch 2, 3 dc in ring, **changing color** (see *Pattern Notes*) to light pink in last

dc, ch 2, [3 dc in ring, ch 2] twice, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*) in 3rd ch of beg ch-3, fasten off light pink and red. (12 dc)

Rnd 2: With RS facing, attach red with a sl st in last light pink ch-2 sp made, ch 3, 2 dc in same sp, ch 1, **shell** (see *Special Stitches*) in next sp, ch 1, 3 dc in next sp, changing to light pink in last dc, ch 2, 3 dc in same sp, ch 1, shell in next sp, ch 1, 3 dc in same sp as beg ch-3, ch 2, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3, fasten off light pink and red. (24 dc)

Rnd 3: With RS facing, attach red with a sl st in last light pink ch-2 sp made, ch 3, 2 dc in same sp, *ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1, shell in next shell sp, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1*, 3 dc in next shell sp, changing to light pink in last dc, ch 2, 3 dc in same sp, rep from * to *, 3 dc in same sp as beg ch-3, ch 2, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3, fasten off light pink and red. (36 dc)

Rnd 4: With RS facing, attach red with a sl st in last light pink ch-2 sp, ch 3, 2 dc in same sp, *ch 1, [3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1] rep across to next shell sp, shell in next shell sp, ch 1, [3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1] rep across to next ch-2 sp, 3 dc in next ch-2 sp*, changing to light pink in last dc, ch 2, 3 dc in same sp, rep from * to *, ch 2, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3, fasten off light pink and red. (48 dc)

Rnds 5–9: Rep Rnd 4, fasten off at end of Rnd 9. (108 dc at end of Rnd 9)

BACK

Rnd 1 (RS): With red, ch 4, join to form a ring, ch 3 (counts as first dc throughout), 2 dc in ring, ch 2, [3 dc in ring, ch 2] 3 times, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (12 dc)

Rnd 2: Sl st in each of next 2 dc and in ch-2 sp, **beg shell** (see *Special Stitches*) in same sp, ch 1, [shell in next ch-2 sp, ch 1] rep around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (24 dc)

Rnd 3: Sl st in each of next 2 dc and in shell sp, beg shell in same sp, ch 1, *3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**, shell in next shell sp, ch 1, rep from * around, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (36 dc)

Rnd 4: Sl st in each of next 2 dc and in shell sp, beg shell in same sp, *ch 1, [3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1] rep across to next shell sp**, shell in next shell sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (48 dc)

Rnds 5–9: Rep Rnd 4, fasten off at end of Rnd 9. (108 dc at end of Rnd 9)

JOIN FRONT & BACK

Holding front and back with WS tog and front facing, working through both thicknesses, attach red with a sl st in last pink ch-2 sp on Rnd 9 of front, ch 3, 3 dc in same sp, *5 dc in each ch-1 sp across to next shell sp, 9 dc in shell sp, 5 dc in each ch-1 sp across to next shell sp*, 4 dc in shell sp, changing to white in last dc, 5 dc in same sp, rep from * to *, 5 dc in same sp as beg ch-3, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3, fasten off.

EYE

Make 2.

With black, ch 2, 8 sc in 2nd ch from hook, join in beg sc, fasten off, leaving 12" end for sewing. With white and tapestry needle, make a small highlight st near center right of eye.

NOSE

With dark pink, ch 4, 11 dc in 4th ch from hook, join in 4th ch of beg ch-4, fasten off, leaving 12" end for sewing.



This year, you can invite Santa to dinner! Crochet this delightful hot mat for holiday fun and cheer!

MUSTACHE HALF

Make 2.

With white, ch 16, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next ch, hdc in each of next 2 chs, dc in each of next 2 chs, 2 tr in next ch, 3 tr in next ch, 2 tr in next ch, dc in each of next 2 chs, hdc in each of next 2 chs, sc in each of last 2 chs, fasten off, leaving 12" end of loose yarn for sewing.

EYEBROW

Make 2.

With white, ch 6, sc in 2nd ch from hook, [2 sc in next ch, sc in next ch] twice, fasten off, leaving 12" end for sewing.

POMPOM

Rnd 1: With white, ch 4, 11 dc in 4th ch from hook, join in 4th ch of beg ch-4.

Rnd 2: Ch 1, sc in same st as joining, ch 3, [sc in next dc, ch 3] rep around, join in beg sc, fasten off, leaving 12" end for sewing.

HAT TRIM

Row 1: Ch 62, dc in 4th ch from hook and in each rem ch across, ch 1, turn. (60 dc, counting last 3 chs of foundation ch as first dc)

Rnd 2: Sc in first dc, [ch 3, sc in next st] rep across to last st, ch 3,

[sc, ch 3] 3 times over side of last st, working across opposite side of foundation ch, sc in first rem lp of foundation ch, [ch 3, sc in next rem lp] rep across to last st, ch 3, [sc, ch 3] 3 times over side of first dc, join in beg sc, fasten off, leaving 36" end for sewing.

FINISHING

Using photo as a guide, sew pompom to top center of hat, sew hat trim to bottom edge of hat. Sew eyes, nose, mustache and eyebrows to face. **cw**

Snowman Towel Topper

Design by Sheila Leslie

1 2 3 4 5 6 EASY

FINISHED MEASUREMENT

Snowman: 4¼ inches tall

MATERIALS

- Fine (sport) weight acrylic yarn:
 - 4 oz/335 yds/113g red
- Size 10 crochet cotton:
 - 75 yds white
 - 40 yds green
 - 20 yds red
- Size B/1/2.25mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Size 7/1.65mm steel crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle
- 6-strand embroidery floss:
 - 1 skein each orange and black
- Hand towel 17½ x 28 inches
- ¾-inch red button
- Stitch marker



GAUGE

Size B hook: 7 hdc = 1 inch

Size 7 hook: 5 sc = 1 inch

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join rounds with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

TOPPER

BACKGROUND

Row 1: Fold towel in half, with size 7 hook, join red yarn with sc in the fold, work 84 sc evenly sp across, working approximately 5 sc per inch, turn. (85 sc)

Row 2: Change to size B hook, ch 1, [hdc in each of next 3 sts, **hdc dec** (see *Stitch Guide*) in next 2 sts] across, turn. (68 hdc)

Row 3: Ch 1, hdc in each st across, turn.

Row 4: Ch 1, [hdc in each of next 2 sts, hdc dec in next 2 sts] across, turn. (51 hdc)

Row 5: Ch 1, hdc in each hdc across to last 2 sts, hdc dec in next 2 sts, turn. (50 hdc)

Row 6: Ch 1, [hdc in each of next 3 sts, hdc dec in next 2 sts] across, turn. (40 hdc)

Rows 7 & 8: Rep row 3.

Row 9: Ch 1, [hdc in each of next 3 sts, hdc dec in next 2 sts] across, turn. (32 hdc)

Row 10: Rep row 3.

Row 11: Rep row 4. (24 hdc)

Row 12: Rep row 3.

Row 13: Ch 1, [hdc in next st, hdc dec in next 2 sts] across, turn. (16 hdc)

Row 14: Rep row 3.

Row 15: Ch 1, hdc dec in next 2 sts, hdc in each of next 12 sts, hdc dec in next 2 sts, turn. (14 hdc)

Rows 16–38: Rep row 3.

Row 39: Ch 1, hdc in each of next 6 sts, ch 2, sk next 2 sts (*buttonhole*), hdc in each of next 6 sts, turn.

Row 40: Ch 1, sc in each of next 3 sts, hdc in each of next 3 sts, (dc, ch 3, sl st in 3rd ch from hook, dc) in next ch-2 sp, hdc in each of next 3 sts, sc in each of next 3 sts. Fasten off.

SNOWMAN

Head

Rnd 1: With white, ch 2, 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook, do not join, place st marker to mark rnds. (6 sc)

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each sc around. (12 sc)

Rnd 3: [Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] around. (18 sc)

Rnd 4: [Sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc] around. (24 sc)

Rnd 5: [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 3 sc] around. (30 sc)

Rnd 6: [Sc in each of next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st] around. (36 sc)

Rnd 7: [2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 5 sts] around. (42 sc)

Rnd 8: Sc in each of next 10 sts, [2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 2 sts] 3 times (*side of Head*), sc in each of next 10 sts, [sc in each of next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st] 3 times (*side of Head*), sc in each of next 4 sts. (48 sc)

Rnd 9: Sc in each st around. At the end of rnd 9, sl st in next sc. Leaving 12-inch length, fasten off.

Body

Rnd 1: With white, ch 2, 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook, do not join, place st marker to mark rnds. (6 sc)

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each sc around. (12 sc)

Rnd 3: [Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] around. (18 sc)

Rnd 4: [Sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc] around. (24 sc)

Rnd 5: [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 3 sc] around. (30 sc)

Rnd 6: [Sc in each of next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st] around. (36 sc)

Rnd 7: [2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 5 sts] around. (42 sc)

Rnd 8: Sc in each of next 10 sts, [2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 2 sts] 3 times (*side of Body*), sc in each of next 10 sts, [sc in each of next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st] 3 times (*side of Body*), sc in each of next 4 sts. (48 sc)

Rnd 9: [Sc in each of next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st] around. (54 sc)

Rnd 10: Sc in each of next 13 sts, [2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 4 sts] 3 times (*side of Body*), sc in each of next 11 sts, [2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 4 sts] 3 times (*side of Body*). (60 sc)

Rnd 11: [Sc in each of next 9 sc, 2 sc in next sc] around, sl st in next sc. Leaving 12-inch length of yarn, fasten off. (66 sc)

Arm

Make 2.

Row 1: With white, ch 7, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (6 sc)

Rows 2–5: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 6: Ch 1, **sc dec** (see *Stitch Guide*) in next 2 sc, sc in each of next 2 sc, sc dec in next 2 sc. Fasten off. (4 sc)

EDGING

Row 1: With RS facing, join white with sc in side edge of row 1, sc in end of each rows 2–6, working across row 6, work 2 sc in first st, sc in each of next 2 sts, 2 sc in last st, sc in side edge of each rows 6–1. Leaving 12-inch length, fasten off. (18 sc)

Sew Head, Body and Arms to Background, with lower part of Head at row 16.

NOSE

Rnd 1: With orange embroidery floss, ch 2, 4 sc in 2nd ch from hook, do not join, place st marker to mark rnds. (4 sc)

Rnd 2: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 3: [Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] twice. (6 sc)

Rnd 4: Sc in each st around, sl st in next st. Leaving 6-inch length, fasten off.

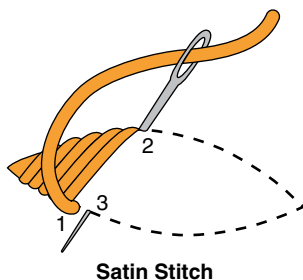
Sew Nose to center front of Head.



Keep kitchen towels close by and handy. The festive snowman adds a touch of whimsy during the holiday season.

EYES

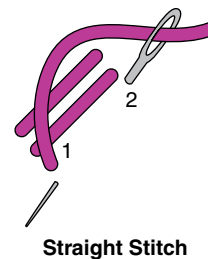
With black embroidery floss, embroider **satin stitch** (see *illustration*) Eyes centered above Nose.



Satin Stitch

MOUTH

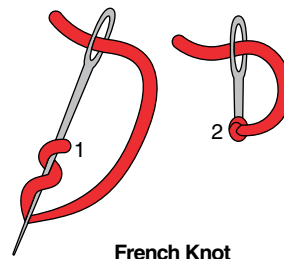
Centered below Nose, with black embroidery floss, embroider V-shape mouth with **straight stitches** (see *illustration*).



Straight Stitch

BUTTONS

With black embroidery floss, embroider 3 **French knots** (see *illustration*) evenly spaced down center of Body.



French Knot

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Christmas Rose Flowerpot Cover

Design by Tammy Hildebrand

1 2 3 4 5 6 EASY

FINISHED SIZE

Fits flowerpot 5½ inches tall x
5½ inches across bottom and
7½ inches across top

MATERIALS

- Lion Brand Lion Cotton medium (worsted) weight yarn (5 oz/236 yds/140g per ball):
 - 1 ball #098 natural
 - 1 oz/47 yds/28g each #140 rose and #131 fern green
- Size I/9/5.5mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle



GAUGE

Rnd 1 of Motif = 1½ inches; 7 sc =
2 inches

SPECIAL STITCH

Cluster (cl): Holding back last lp of each st on hook, 3 dc in ring, yo, pull through all lps on hook.

COVER

FIRST MOTIF

Rnd 1: With rose, ch 3, sl st in first ch to form ring, ch 3, **cl** (see *Special Stitch*) in ring, ch 1, cl in ring, ch 2, [cl in ring, ch 1, cl in ring, ch 2] 3 times, join with sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (8 cl)

Rnd 2: Join fern green with sc in any ch-1 sp, (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, [sc in next ch-1 sp, (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp] around, join with sl st in beg sc. Fasten off. (4 ch-3 sps, 4 sc, 24 dc)

Rnd 3: Join natural with sl st in any ch-3 sp, ch 8 (counts as first

dc and ch-5), dc in same ch sp as beg ch-8, sk next st, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next st, sk next st, working over next sc, tr in ch-1 sp on rnd 1, sk next st, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next st, [(dc, ch 5, dc) in next ch-3 sp, sk next st, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next st, tr in next ch-1 sp on rnd 1, sk next st, (dc, ch 1, dc) in next st] around, join with sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-8. (4 tr, 4 ch-5 sps, 8 ch-1 sps, 24 dc)

Rnd 4: Ch 1, sc in first st, 5 sc in next ch-5 sp, sc in each st and in each ch-1 sp around with 5 sc in each ch-5 sp, join with sl st in beg sc. Fasten off. (56 sc)

Rnd 5: Join fern green in center sc of any 5-sc group, ch 1, (sc, ch 3, sc) in same sc as beg ch-1, sc in each of next 13 sts, (sc, ch 3, sc) in next st, (ch 1, sc) in each of next 13 sts, ch 1, (sc, ch 3, sc) in next st, sc in each of next 13 sts, (sc, ch 3, sc) in next st, (ch 1, sc) in each of next 13 sts, ch 1, join with sl st in beg sc. Fasten off.



Dress up an inexpensive flowerpot with a simple cover made from four large granny squares, joined in a cylinder and finished with an easy single crochet edging. Cotton worsted-weight yarn makes it durable and easy to care for.

JOINED MOTIF

Rnds 1–4: Rep rnds 1–4 of First Motif.

Rnd 5: Join fern green with sl st in center sc of any 5-sc group, ch 1, (sc, ch 3, sc) in same sc, *sc in each of next 13 sts, sc in next st, ch 1, drop lp from hook, insert hook in corresponding ch-3 sp of Last Motif, pull dropped lp through, ch 1, sc in same st on working Motif, [drop lp from hook, insert hook in corresponding ch-1 sp of Last Motif, pull dropped lp through, sc in next st on working Motif] 13 times, drop lp from hook, insert hook in corresponding ch-1 sp of Last Motif, pull dropped lp through, (sc, ch 1) in next st, drop lp from hook, insert hook in corresponding ch-3 sp of Last Motif, pull dropped lp through, ch 1, sc in same st on working Motif, sc in each of next 13 sts, (sc, ch 3, sc) in next st, ch 1, (sc, ch 1)

in each st around, join with sl st in beg sc. Fasten off.

Rep Joined Motif once for total of 3 Motifs.

LAST MOTIF

Rnds 1–4: Rep rnds 1–4 of First Motif.

Rnd 5: Join fern green with sc in center sc of any 5-sc group, drop lp from hook, insert hook in corresponding ch-3 sp of First Motif, pull dropped lp through, ch 1, sc in same sc, *sc in each of next 13 sts, (sc, ch 1, sc) in next st, drop lp from hook, insert hook in corresponding ch-3 sp of Last Motif, pull dropped lp through, ch 1, sc in same st as last sc on working Motif, [drop lp from hook, insert hook in corresponding ch-1 sp of Last Motif, pull dropped lp through, sc in next st] 13 times, drop lp from hook, insert hook in corresponding ch-1 sp of last Motif, pull dropped lp through*, sc in

next st, ch 1, drop lp from hook, insert hook in corresponding ch-3 sp of Last Motif, pull dropped lp through, ch 1, sc in same st as last sc on working Motif, rep between * joining to First Motif, join with sl st in beg sc. Fasten off.

BOTTOM EDGING

Rnd 1: Working around bottom edge in **back lps** (see *Stitch Guide*), join natural with sc in any st, sc in each st around, join with sl st in beg sc.

Rnd 2: Ch 1, sc in each st around, join with sl st in beg sc. Fasten off.

TOP EDGING

Rnd 1: Working around top edge in back lps, join natural with sc in any st, sc in each st around, join with sl st in beg sc.

Rnds 2 & 3: Ch 1, sc in each st around, join with sl st in beg sc. At the end of last rnd, fasten off. **cw**

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Poinsettias & Holly Doily

Design by Gemma Owen

1 2 3 4 5 6 INTERMEDIATE

FINISHED MEASUREMENT

14 inches in diameter

MATERIALS

- Aunt Lydia's Classic Crochet size 10 crochet cotton (white: 400 yds; solids: 350 yds per ball):
1 ball each #1 white, #449 forest green, #421 goldenrod and #494 victory red
- Size 7/1.65mm steel crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle
- Sewing needle
- Sewing thread
- 6mm red beads: 15



GAUGE

9 sts = 1 inch

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

Chain-3 at beginning of round counts as first double crochet unless otherwise stated.

SPECIAL STITCHES

Beg 3-double crochet cluster (beg 3-dc cl): Ch 2, [yo, insert hook in indicated st, yo, draw through 2 lps on hook] twice in same st, yo, draw through all 3 lps on hook.

3 double crochet cluster (3-dc cl): [Yo, insert hook in indicated st, yo, draw up a lp, yo, draw through 2 lps on hook] 3 times in same st, yo, draw through all 4 lps on hook.

Beginning double crochet decrease (beg dc dec): Ch 2, dc in next st.

Picot: Ch 3, sl st in top of last st.

V-stitch (V-st): (Dc, ch 2, dc) in indicated st.

DOILY

POINSETTIA MOTIF

Make 11.

Rnd 1 (RS): With goldenrod, ch 3, **beg 3-dc cl** (see *Special Stitches*) in first ch of beg ch-3, ch 3, **[3-dc cl** (see *Special Stitches*) in same st as beg 3-dc cl, ch 3] 4 times, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*) in beg 3-dc cl. Fasten off. (5 3-dc cls, 5 ch-3 sps)

Rnd 2: Join white in any ch-3 sp, **ch 3** (see *Pattern Notes*), 6 dc in same sp as beg ch-3, ch 2, [7 dc in next ch-3 sp, ch 2] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (35 dc, 5 ch-2 sps)

Rnd 3: Beg dc dec (see *Special Stitches*), dc in each of next 3 dc, **dc dec** (see *Stitch Guide*) in next 2 dc, ch 3, sc in next ch-2 sp, ch 3, [dc dec in next 2 dc, dc in each of the next 3 dc, dc dec in next 2 dc, ch 3, sc in next ch-2 sp, ch 3] around, join in beg dc dec. (25 dc, 10 ch-3 sps, 5 sc)

Rnd 4: Beg dc dec, dc in next dc, dc dec in next 2 dc, ch 3, [sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 3] twice, *dc dec in next 2 dc, dc in next dc, dc dec in next 2 dc, ch 3, [sc in next ch-2 sp, ch 3] twice, rep from * around, join in beg dc dec. (15 dc, 15 ch-3 sps, 10 sc)

Rnd 5: Beg 3-dc cl, **picot** (see *Special Stitches*) in top of beg 3-dc cl, ch 3, sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 3, **V-st** (see *Special Stitches*) in next ch-3 sp, ch 3, sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 3, [3-dc cl in next 3 dc, picot in top of 3-dc cl, ch 3, sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 3, V-st in next ch-3

sp, ch 3, sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 3] around, join in top of beg 3-dc cl. Fasten off. (5 3-dc cls, 5 V-sts, 5 picots, 20 ch-3 sps)

HOLLY LEAVES

Make 10.

Note: Leaves are crocheted around 1 Poinsettia Motif for doily center.

Row 1 (RS): Join green in 2nd ch-3 sp after picot of rnd 5 of Poinsettia Motif, ch 3, 6 dc in same ch-3 sp, turn.

Rows 2–4: Ch 3, dc in each of next 6 dc, turn.

Row 5: Beg dc dec, dc in each of next 3 dc, dc dec in next 2 dc, turn. (5 dc)

Row 6: Beg dc dec, dc in next dc, dc dec in next 2 dc, turn. (3 dc)

Row 7: Beg 3-dc cl in next 3 dc. Fasten off.

Row 8: Sk next V-st, join green in next ch-3 sp, ch 3, 6 dc in same ch-3 sp, turn.

Rows 9–14: Rep rows 2–7.

[Rep rows 1–14 consecutively] 4 times. At the end of last row, **do not fasten off.**

Now working in rnds, with RS facing, (sc, ch 3, sc) in dc dec, working in ends down left side of Leaf, 3 sc in next dc row, [dc, picot, 2 dc in dc of next row] 5 times, 3 dc in end of next row, 2 dc in end of last row, sc in V-st, *working up right edge of next Leaf, 2 sc in end of first row, 3 sc in next row, [2 sc, picot, sc in next row] 5 times, 3 sc in last row, (sc, ch 3, sc) in dc dec, working in ends down left edge of Leaf, 3 sc in next dc row, [dc, picot, 2 dc in dc of next row] 5 times, 3 dc in end of next row, 2 dc in end of last row, sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 3, (sc, picot, sc) in next picot of rnd 5 of Poinsettia Motif, ch 3, sc in next ch-3 sp, rep from * around, join in beg sc. Fasten off.

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Instead of the more traditional red poinsettias, this elegant holiday doily showcases white poinsettias creatively combined with a ring of holly leaves and berries.



Christmas Star Blanket

Design by Lisa Gentry

1 2 3 4 5 6 INTERMEDIATE

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

42 inches wide x 49 inches long

MATERIALS

- Cascade Yarns 220 Superwash medium (worsted) weight superwash wool yarn (3½ oz/220 yds/100g per skein):
4 skeins each #893 ruby (A) and #871 white (B)
3 skeins #864 Christmas green (C)
- Size H/8/5mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle
- 2 stitch markers



GAUGE

Rnds 1–3 = 3 inches in diameter
Take time to check gauge.

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Chain-4 at beginning of round counts as first treble crochet unless otherwise stated.

Chain-3 at beginning of round counts as first double crochet unless otherwise stated.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

Join with chain-3 and dc counts as a ch-6 sp.

SPECIAL STITCHES

Back post slip stitch (bpslst): Insert hook from right to left around post of indicated st from back to front to back again, yo, pull lp through st and lp on hook.

Beginning shell (beg shell): (Ch 3, dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in indicated st or sp.

Shell: (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in indicated st or sp.

Back to front single crochet (bfsc): Insert hook in indicated st from back to front, yo, pull lp through st, yo, pull through 2 lps on hook.

Front post double crochet 2 together (fpdc2tog): Work a fpdc around next fpdc of Square 1 until 2 lps rem on hook, keeping these 2 lps on hook, work another fpdc around next fpdc of Square 2 until 3 lps rem on hook, yo, pull through all 3 lps on hook.

Puff stitch (puff st): Yo, insert hook in indicated st, yo, pull lp through st and make lp same height as a hdc, [yo, insert hook in same st, yo, pull lp through st and make lp same height as previous lp] twice, yo, pull through all 7 lps on hook.

Double puff stitch (dbl-puff st): Puff st in indicated st, ch 3, yo, insert hook in 3rd ch from hook (*at top of puff st*), yo, pull lp through ch and make lp same height as a hdc, yo, insert hook in same ch, yo, pull lp through ch and make lp same height as previous lp, yo, pull through all 5 lps on hook.

BLANKET

SQUARE

Make 42.

Rnd 1 (RS): With A, form a **slip ring** (see illustration), ch 2 (*does not count as a st*), work 8 hdc in ring, **join** (see Pattern Notes) in **back lp** (see Stitch Guide) of first hdc. (8 hdc)

Rnd 2: Ch 4 (see Pattern Notes), 2 tr in back lp of first hdc, place

marker in front lp of same hdc, 3 tr in back lp of each of next 7 hdc, join in top of beg ch-4. (24 tr)

Rnd 3: Ch 3 (see Pattern Notes), dc in next tr, ch 1, 2 dc in next tr, ch 2, place marker in last ch-2 sp, [dc in each of next 2 tr, ch 1, 2 dc in next tr, ch 2] 7 times, join in top of beg ch-3. (32 dc, 8 ch-1 sps, 8 ch-2 sps)

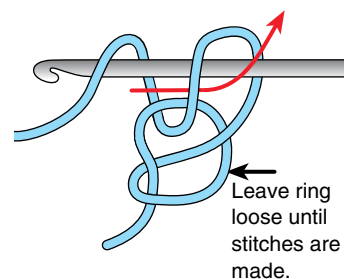
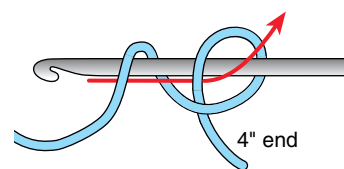
Fasten off.

Star Overlay

Rnd 2a: Join B in front lp of marked hdc, remove marker, ch 6, [sl st in front lp of next hdc, ch 6] 6 times, join with ch 3 and dc in first sl st (see Pattern Notes). (8 sl sts, 8 ch-6 sps)

Rnd 3a: Sl st around post of joining dc, ch 6, sc in marked ch-2 sp, remove marker, [ch 6, sl st in next ch-6 sp, ch 6, sc in next ch-2 sp from rnd 3] 7 times, ch 6, join in beg sl st. Fasten off. (8 sc, 8 sl sts, 16 ch-6 sps)

Rnd 4: Join C in any ch-1 sp from rnd 3, (ch 3, dc, 3 tr, 2 dc) in same sp as join, **bpslst** (see Special Stitches) around next sc, *(2 dc, 3 tr, 2 dc) in next ch-1 sp, bpslst around next sc (*point of star*); rep from * 6 times, join in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (24 tr, 32 dc)



Slip Ring

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Stars worked in an overlay technique stand out against a burgundy background surrounded by a wreath of Christmassy green. Each beautiful motif joins to the next to create a dazzling effect.



Festive Table Set

Designs by Melissa Hassler

1 2 3 4 5 6 EASY

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Place Mat: 17 inches x 13 inches

Coaster: 4½ inches x 3½ inches

MATERIALS

- Omega Sinfonia light (DK) weight cotton yarn (3½ oz/218 yds/100g per skein): 1 skein each #801 white, #880 green and #822 red
- Size E/4/3.5mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle

GAUGE

4 squares = 2 inches; 4 rows = 2 inches

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

Chain-3 at beginning of row or round counts as first double crochet unless otherwise stated.

The last increase row is the longest diagonal row on chart.

TABLE SET

PLACE MAT

Row 1: With red, ch 6, dc in 4th ch from hook (*sk chs count as first dc*), dc in each of next 2 chs, turn. (1 block)

Row 2 (RS): Ch 6, dc in 4th ch from hook, dc in each of next 2 chs, (sl st, ch 3, 3 dc) in next ch-3 sp, turn. (2 blocks)

Row 3: Ch 6, dc in 4th ch from hook, dc in each of next 2 chs, (sl st, ch 3, 3 dc) in each ch-3 sp across, turn. (3 blocks)

Next rows: Rep row 3, following Place Mat Chart for **color**

changes (see *Pattern Notes and Stitch Guide*), until **last inc row** (see *Pattern Notes*) is finished.

Dec Rows

First dec row: Sl st in each dc across to next ch-3 sp, (sl st, ch 3, 3 dc) in each rem ch-3 sp across to last ch-3 sp, sl st in last ch-3 sp, turn.

Next rows: Rep first dec row to last row of Place Mat Chart.

Last row: Sl st in each dc across to next ch-3 sp, (sl st, ch 3, 3 dc) in next ch-3 sp, sl st in last ch-3 sp, fasten off.

COASTER

Row 1: With red, ch 6, dc in 4th ch from hook (*sk chs count as first dc*), dc in each of next 2 chs, turn. (1 block)

COLOR KEY

- Red
- Green
- White

Rows 2 & 3: Rep rows 2 and 3 of place mat. (3 blocks)

Next rows: Rep row 3 of place mat, following Coaster Chart.

First dec row: Sl st in each dc across to next ch-3 sp, (sl st, ch 3, 3 dc) in each rem ch-3 sp across to last ch-3 sp, sl st in last ch-3 sp, turn.

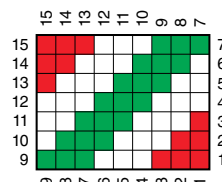
Next rows: Rep first dec row to last row of Coaster Chart.

Last row: Sl st in each dc across to next ch-3 sp, (sl st, ch 3, 3 dc) in next ch-3 sp, sl st in last ch-3 sp, fasten off.

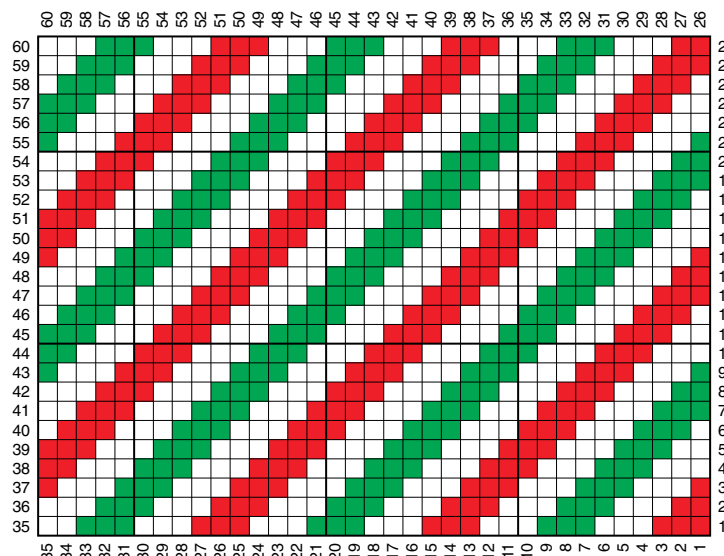
PLACE MAT & COASTER BORDER

Rnd 1: Join (see *Pattern Notes*) white in any square of outer edge, ch 1, *2 sc in side of each square to next corner square, (sc, ch 2, sc) in corner square, rep from * around, join in beg sc. Fasten off.

Block place mat and coaster. **CW**



Festive Table Set
Coaster Chart



Festive Table Set
Place Mat Chart

*If you have wanted to try corner-to-corner
crochet but felt intimidated, this set is a
great starter project, and you have the
added benefit of brightening up your
holiday table at the same time.*



Merry Mosaic Afghan

Design by Liz Salazar

1 2 3 4 5 6 INTERMEDIATE

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

53 inches wide x 73 inches long,
including Double-Sided Border

MATERIALS

- Plymouth Yarn Encore
Worsted medium
(worsted) weight acrylic/
wool yarn (3½ oz/200 yds/100g
per ball):
13 balls #146 winter white
7 balls #1232 light greenhouse
6 balls #1386 Christmas red
- Size H/8/5mm crochet hook or size
needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle



GAUGE

14 sts = 4 inches; 14 rows = 4 inches

PATTERN NOTES

Pattern is worked in Overlay Mosaic Crochet technique. Colorwork designs are created by working single crochet stitches in back loops of working rows and long double crochet stitches in unworked front loops 2 rows below. Refer to indicated Chart or Diagram for stitch sequences, color changes and tree placement in each Section. Charts display stitching as it will appear in Afghan.

All rows are worked with right side facing at all times. Each row is worked from right to left (*left to right if you are left-handed*), beginning and ending with 3-inch tails. It is not necessary to weave in tails as they will be encased within a double-sided border and hidden from view.

First 2 and last 2 stitches of each row are worked in both loops; all single crochet stitches between these stitches are worked in back loops unless otherwise stated.

There are no color changes within a row; alternate main color with contrasting colors every row according to Charts.

Chain-3 at beginning of row counts as first double crochet unless otherwise stated.

For Small Trees Section, refer to Charts C and D and Tree Placement Diagram. Each box in Tree Placement Diagram is worked with 8 stitches.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

SPECIAL STITCHES

Single crochet join (sc join):

Place a slip knot on hook, insert hook in indicated st, yo and pull up a lp, yo and draw through both lps on hook.

Front loop long double crochet (front lp ldc): Sk next st of working row, yo, insert hook in unworked front lp of indicated st in indicated row, yo and pull up lp to working row, [yo, pull through 2 lps on hook] 2 times.

Front post corner (fp corner): (2 fpdc, ch 2, 2 fpdc) around indicated st.

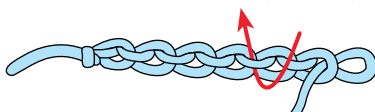
Corner: (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in indicated sp.

AFGHAN

CANDY CANE SECTION

With winter white and referring to **Chart A** (see *Pattern Notes*), ch 181.

Set-up row (RS): Working in **back bar** (see *illustration*) of chs, sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across. Fasten off winter white. (180 sts)



Back Bar of Chain

Row 1: With RS facing

(see *Pattern Notes*) here and throughout, **sc join** (see *Special Stitches*) Christmas red in first st, sc in next st, sc in **back lp** (see *Stitch Guide and Pattern Notes*) of each st across to last 2 sts, sc in both lps of last 2 sts. Fasten off Christmas red.

Row 2: Sc join winter white, sc in next st, [**front lp ldc** (see *Special Stitches*) in next 4 sts 2 rows below, sc in back lps of next 4 sts] across to last 2 sts, sc in last 2 sts. Fasten off winter white.

Row 3: Sc join Christmas red, sc in next st, [sc in back lps of next 5 sts, front lp ldc in next 3 sts 2 rows below] across to last 2 sts, sc in last 2 sts. Fasten off Christmas red.

Row 4: Sc join winter white, sc in next st, sc in back lp of next st, [front lp ldc in next 4 sts 2 rows below, sc in back lp of next 4 sts] across to last 5 sts, sc in back lps of next 3 sts, sc in last 2 sts. Fasten off.

Rows 5–32: Refer to Chart A for rows 5–16, then rep rows 1–16, changing color as indicated and fastening off at end of each row.

SMALL BOXES SECTION

Row 1: Sc join Christmas red in first st, sc in next st, sc in back lp of each st across to last 2 sts, sc in last 2 sts. Fasten off.

Row 2: Sc join winter white in first st, sc in next st, [front lp ldc in next st 2 rows below, sc in back lps of next 5 sts] across to last 2 sts, sc in last 2 sts. Fasten off.

Row 3: Sc join Christmas red in first st, sc in next st, [sc in back lp of next st, front lp ldc in next st 2 rows below] across to last 2 sts, sc in last 2 sts. Fasten off.

Row 4: Rep row 2.

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Deck your halls this holiday season with this cheerful afghan. The overlay mosaic technique creates an attractive graphic design and a thick, solid fabric that's perfect for cuddling by a fireplace!

Christmas Evergreen

Design by Shabnam Mirzaei

1 2 3 4 5 6 EASY

FINISHED MEASUREMENT

6½ inches long

MATERIALS

- Scheepjes Softfun light (DK) weight cotton/acrylic yarn (1¾ oz/153 yds/50g per skein):
1 skein each #2631 cedar, #2531 olive and #2412 snow
- Size D/3/3.25mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Stitch marker
- Fiberfill
- Glue (optional)
- 1mm pearl bead: 3
- ¾mm pearl bead: 5
- Sewing thread and needle
- Tapestry needle



GAUGE

12 sts = 4 inches

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Place stitch marker as indicated and move marker as work progresses.

Do not join; work in continuous rounds unless otherwise stated.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

Work in back loops unless otherwise indicated on tree sections.

EVERGREEN

LOWER TREE SECTION

Rnd 1 (RS): With olive, ch 2, 5 sc in 2nd ch from hook, **do not join** (see *Pattern Notes*), **place marker** (see *Pattern Notes*). (5 sc)

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each sc around. (10 sc)

Rnd 3: Working in **back lps** (see *Stitch Guide and Pattern Notes*) for rem of tree section, (2 sc in next st, sc in next st) around. (15 sc)

Rnd 4: (2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 2 sts) around. (20 sc)

Rnd 5: (2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 3 sts) around. (25 sc)

Rnd 6: (2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 4 sts) around. (30 sc)

Rnd 7: (2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 5 sts) around. (35 sc)

Rnd 8: (2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 6 sts) around. (40 sc)

Rnd 9: (2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 7 sts) around. (45 sc)

Rnd 10: (2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 8 sts) around. (50 sc)

Rnd 11: (2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 9 sts) around. (55 sc)

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This adorable little tree decked out with small pearl ornaments will make a perfect addition to your tree. Or work up several and create a beautiful evergreen forest on a mantel or table.

Polar Bear Ornament

Design by Silvia-Carmen Comanescu

1 2 3 4 5 6 INTERMEDIATE

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

3 inches wide x 4½ inches long, excluding hanging lp

MATERIALS

- Premier Yarns Anti-Pilling Everyday Worsted medium (worsted) weight acrylic yarn (3½ oz/180 yds/100g per ball):
1 ball each #100-01 snow white, #100-07 really red, #100-65 spruce and #100-12 black
- Size G/6/4mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle
- Stitch marker
- Pearl white craft beads, ¼ inch in diameter, with large holes: 3
- DMC Metallic Pearl Cotton in #5283 silver



GAUGE

17 hdc = 4 inches; 3 rows = 1 inch

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

SPECIAL STITCHES

Half-double crochet increase (hdc inc): 2 hdc in indicated st.

Single crochet increase (sc inc): 2 sc in indicated st.

SPECIAL TECHNIQUE

Invisible join: Cut yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing. Pull tail completely through last st. Thread tail through yarn needle and weave under top 2 lps of first st, then back down into center of top of last st of rnd.



Who can resist a bear hug from a heart-nosed polar bear? This cute ornament is fun to make as the bear is made in one single piece and the mistletoe ornament attached on the bauble can be replaced by other small decorations, such as holly, beads or buttons.

ORNAMENT

BEAR

Make 2.

Note: Work all sections of Bear with snow white unless otherwise stated.

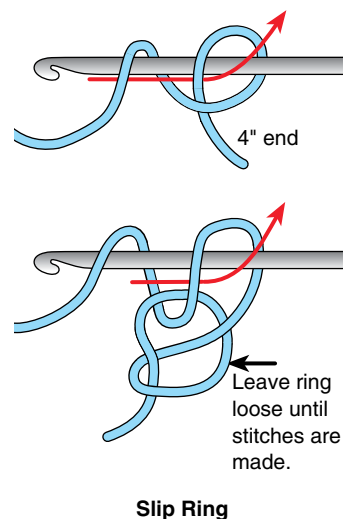
Head

Rnd 1: With 3½-yd length, make a **slip ring** (see illustration), ch 1, 10 hdc in ring, **join** (see Pattern Notes) in first hdc, pull beg tail to close ring. (10 hdc)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, **hdc inc** (see Special Stitches) in each st around, join in first hdc. (20 hdc)

Right Ear

Ch 1, (3 sc, ch 1, sl st) in first st.



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Miniature Ornaments

Designs by Lori Zeller

1 2 3 4 5 6 EASY

FINISHED SIZES

Tree: 1¾ inches tall

Wreath: 2 inches in diameter

MATERIALS

- Size 10 crochet cotton: 100 yds green
- Size 5/1.90mm steel crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle
- Bead needle
- 120 red seed beads
- 100 gold seed beads
- 20 inches gold thread
- ⅛-inch-wide red ribbon: 6 inches
- Fiberfill
- Craft glue



GAUGE

9 sc = 1 inch

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

SPECIAL STITCH

Bead chain (bead ch): Push a bead up behind hook, ch 1 over bead.

TREE

Alternating colors between red and gold, string 200 beads on green.

Rnd 1: Beg at top of Tree, ch 2, 4 sc in 2nd ch from hook, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*) in first sc. (4 sc)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, sc in each sc around, join in first sc, turn. (4 sc)



Delicate and cheery, this pair of ornaments will work up quickly and add a bit of charm to your tree.

Rnd 3: Ch 1, working in **back lps** (see *Stitch Guide*), (sc, **bead ch**—see *Special Stitch*, sc) in each st around, join in first st, turn.

Rnd 4: Working in rem free lps of rnd 2, ch 1, sc in same st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, join in beg sc, turn. (6 sc)

Rnd 5: Rep rnd 3.

Rnd 6: Working in rem free lps of rnd 4, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next

st, 2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, join in first sc, turn. (8 sc)

Rnd 7: Rep rnd 3.

Rnd 8: Working in rem free lps of rnd 6, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in each of next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, join in first sc, turn. (10 sc)

Rnd 9: Rep rnd 3.

Rnd 10: Working in rem free lps of rnd 8, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in each of next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st, join in first sc, turn. (12 sc)

Rnd 11: Rep rnd 3.

Rnd 12: Working in rem free lps of rnd 10, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in each of next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st, join in first sc, turn. (14 sc)

Rnd 13: Rep rnd 3.

Rnd 14: Working in rem free lps of rnd 12, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in each st around, join in first sc, turn.

Rnd 15: Rep rnd 3.

Rnd 16: Working in rem free lps of rnd 14, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in each of next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st, join in first sc, turn. (16 sc)

Rnd 17: Rep rnd 3.

Rnd 18: Working in rem free lps of rnd 16, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in each of next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st, join in first sc, turn. (18 sc)

Rnd 19: Ch 1, working in back lps, (sc, bead ch, sc) in same st as joining, sc in next st, *(sc, bead ch, sc) in next st, sc in next st, rep from * around, join in first sc, turn.

Rnd 20: Working in rem free lps of rnd 18, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in each of next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st, join in first sc, turn. (20 sc)

Rnd 21: Rep rnd 19.

Rnd 22: Working in rem free lps of rnd 20, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in each of next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st, join in first sc, turn. (22 sc)

Rnd 23: Rep rnd 19.

Rnd 24: Working in rem free lps of rnd 22, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in each of next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st, join in first sc, turn. (24 sc)

Rnd 25: Rep row 3.

Rnd 26: Working in rem free lps of rnd 24, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in each of next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 11 sts, 2 sc in next st, join in first sc, turn. (26 sc)

Rnd 27: Rep row 19.

Rnd 28: Working in rem free lps of rnd 26, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in each of next 11 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 12 sts, 2 sc in next st, join in first sc, turn. (28 sc)

Rnd 29: Rep rnd 19.

Rnd 30: Working in rem free lps of rnd 28, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next st, sc dec in next 2 sts, [sc in each of next 2 sts, sc dec in next 2 sts] 5 times, sc in each of next 2 sc, join in first sc. (20 sc)

With fiberfill, stuff Tree.

Rnd 31: Ch 1, [sc in next sc, sc dec in next 2 sc] 6 times, sc in each of next 2 sc, join in first sc. (14 sc)

Rnd 32: Ch 1, [sc dec in next 2 sc] 7 times, join in first sc, leaving a 6-inch length, fasten off. (7 sc)

Sew opening closed.

HANGING LOOP

Cut 10-inch length of gold thread, attach to center top of Tree, tie ends in a knot.

WREATH

String 20 red seed beads on green.

Rnd 1: Ch 12, sl st in first ch to

form a ring, ch 1, sc in each ch around, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*) in first sc, turn. (12 sc)

Rnd 2: Working in **back lps** (see *Stitch Guide*), ch 1, (sc, ch 1, sc) in same st as joining, sc in next st, [(sc, ch 1, sc) in next st, sc in next st] around, join in first sc, turn.

Rnd 3: Working in rem free lps 2 rnds below, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in each rem st around, join in first sc, turn.

Rnd 4: Working in back lps, ch 1, (sc, ch 1, sc) in same st as joining, sc in next st, (sc, **bead ch**—see *Special Stitch*, sc) in next st, sc in next st, [(sc, ch 1, sc) in next st, sc in next st] around, join in first sc, turn.

Rnd 5: Working in rem free lps 2 rnds below, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in each rem st around, join in first sc, turn.

Rnds 6–77: [Rep rnds 2–5 consecutively] 18 times.

Rnds 78 & 79: Rep rnds 2 and 3.

Rnd 80: Working in back lps, ch 1, (sc, ch 1, sc) in same st as joining, sc in next st, (sc, bead ch, sc) in next st, sc in next st, [(sc, ch 1, sc) in next st, sc in next st] around, join in first sc, leaving 10-inch length, fasten off.

ASSEMBLY

Sew rnd 80 to opposite side of foundation ch of rnd 1 to form a ring. Tie ribbon in a bow and glue to center bottom of Wreath. Attach rem 10-inch length of gold thread to center top of Wreath, tie ends in a knot. **cw**

Teddy Bears Garland

Design by Silvia-Carmen Comanescu

1 2 3 4 5 6 INTERMEDIATE

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Bear: 4 inches tall; 2¾ inches across

Arms, slightly stretched

Garland: 25¼ inches long

MATERIALS

- Premier Yarns Anti-Pilling Everyday Worsted medium (worsted) weight acrylic yarn (3½ oz/180 yds/100g per ball):
1 ball each #100-01 snow white, #100-07 really red, #100-65 spruce, #100-14 caramel, #100-52 chinchilla, #100-86 walnut and #100-12 black
- Size G/6/4mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle
- Stitch marker



GAUGE

17 hdc = 4 inches; 12 rows = 4 inches

PATTERN NOTES

Each Bear should measure about 2¾ inches across stretched Arms. Paired with Pudding, the total measurement is 4 inches across. These measurements will determine total length of Garland if more or fewer pieces are made.

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

SPECIAL STITCH

Half-double crochet increase (hdc inc): 2 hdc in indicated st.

SPECIAL TECHNIQUE

Invisible join: Cut yarn, leaving a long tail for sewing. Pull tail completely through last st. Thread tail through yarn needle and

weave under top 2 lps of first st, then back down into center of top of last st of rnd.

GARLAND

BOY BEAR

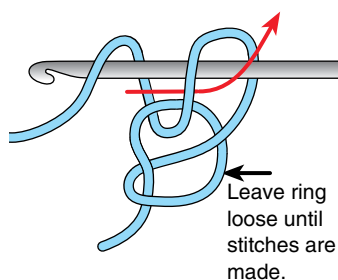
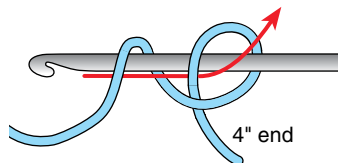
Make 3.

Body

Make 2.

Head

Rnd 1: With 3½-yd length of caramel, make a **slip ring** (see illustration), ch 1, 10 hdc in ring, **join** (see Pattern Notes) in first hdc, pull beg tail to close ring. (10 hdc)



Slip Ring

Rnd 2: Ch 1, **hdc inc** (see Special Stitch) in each st around, join in first hdc. (20 hdc)

Right Ear

Ch 1, (3 sc, ch 1, sl st) in first st. *Pull up a lp as if fastening off, drop from hook, insert hook from back to front in st just worked, pick up lp and pull from front to back of work*.

Left Ear

With strand in back, sk next 5 sts, insert hook from front to back in next st and pull up a lp to front, ch 1, (3 sc, ch 1, sl st) in same st. Rep between * of Right Ear, fasten off.

Arms

Sk next 5 sts and place marker on next st at bottom of Head.

Row 1 (RS): With spruce, ch 5, with RS facing and working in **back lps** (see Stitch Guide), join in marked st, sl st in next 2 sts, ch 7, turn. (12 chs, 3 sl sts)

Row 2: Working in **front lps** (see Stitch Guide) of foundation ch and sl sts, **dc dec** (see Stitch Guide) in 3rd and 4th chs from hook (beg 2 sk chs do not count as a st), hdc in next st, **hdc dec** (see Stitch Guide) in next 2 chs, hdc in next sl st, hdc inc in next sl st, hdc in next st, hdc dec in next 2 chs, hdc in next ch, dc dec in last 2 chs, sl st in side of dc just made, sl st in last ch worked. Cut spruce. (10 sts)

Shirt

Row 3: With RS facing, join spruce in 4th st, ch 1, hdc inc in same st, hdc in next 2 sts, hdc inc in next st, leave rem sts unworked, turn. (6 sts)

Row 4: Ch 1, hdc inc in first st, hdc in next 4 sts, hdc inc in last st, ch 1, sl st in last st worked. Cut spruce. (8 sts)

Legs

Row 1: With caramel, ch 4, with RS facing and working in back lps only, join in first st, sl st in next 7 sts, ch 6, turn. (10 chs, 8 sl sts)

Row 2: Working in front lps of foundation ch and sl sts, dc dec in 3rd and 4th chs from hook, hdc dec in next 2 chs, [sc dec in next 2 sts] 4 times, hdc dec in next 2 chs, dc dec in next 2 chs, sl st in side of last st made, sl st in last st worked. Cut caramel on first Body;



This fun garland will be a joy to make for children and grandchildren—let them pick their favorite colors to dress up the tiny teddy bears! Bears and puddings can be stitched separately for gift toppers or keychains.

leave yarn uncut on 2nd Body for joining pieces tog. (8 sts)

Facial Features

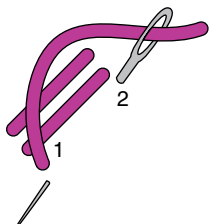
Muzzle

With chinchilla, make a slip ring, ch 1, (2 sc, 2 hdc, 3 sc, 2 hdc, sc) in ring, join with **invisible join** (see *Special Technique*). Leaving a long tail for sewing, cut tail.

Nose & Mouth

Refer to photo as a guide for placement of pieces.

Holding Muzzle with RS facing and sts at bottom, with black, embroider heart-shaped Nose with **straight stitches** (see *illustration*), working in sps between sts of 3-sc group. Work 1 short straight stitch beneath Nose for Mouth.



Straight Stitch

Position upper edge of Muzzle on center of Head and lower edge above bottom edge of Head, sew in place with end tail.

Eyes

Working in rnd 1 of Head, between sts 4 and 5, then between sts 9 and 10, with black, embroider 2 straight stitches for each Eye above Muzzle.

ASSEMBLY & FINISHING

With WS tog and matching sts and working through both thicknesses, sl st in each st and in ends of rows around, changing colors as needed to match sections, join in beg sl st. Fasten off.

Collar & Buttons

With RS of Arms facing and Bear held upside down, join snow white in first unworked front lp of row 1, ch 1, (hdc, sc) in same lp, sl st in next lp, (sc, hdc) in last lp, ch 1, sl st in base of last hdc. Cut yarn, leaving a long tail. Thread tail on tapestry needle, weave tail to front of Shirt and embroider 2 short straight stitches for Buttons below Collar.

GIRL BEAR

Make 3.

Body

Make 2.

Work Head, Right Ear and Left Ear same as Boy Bear.

With really red, work Arms same as Boy Bear.

Dress

Rows 3 & 4: With really red, rep rows 3 and 4 of Boy Bear Shirt. Do not cut yarn at end of last row.

Row 5: Ch 1, working in front lps only, sc in first st, (ch 1, sc) in each rem st, sl st in base of last sc made, fasten off.

Legs

Row 1: Working in back lps of row 4 of Dress, rep row 1 of Boy Bear Legs.

Work row 2, Facial Features, Assembly & Finishing same as Boy Bear (*buttons on Dress are optional*).

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Snowflake Tree Skirt

Design by Margret Willson

1 2 3 4 5 6 EASY

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

From point to point across center:

40 inches in diameter

Center hole: 3 inches in diameter

MATERIALS

- Red Heart Super Saver medium (worsted) weight acrylic yarn (7 oz/364 yds/198g per skein):
2 skeins each #319 cherry red and #389 hunter green
1 skein #311 white
- Size H/8/5mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle



GAUGE

13 dc = 4 inches; 8 pattern rows = 3½ inches

Rnds 1 and 2 of Snowflake = 4 inches

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Chain-3 at beginning of row counts as first double crochet unless otherwise stated.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

SPECIAL STITCHES

Beginning decrease (Bdec):

Ch 2, sk first st, keeping last lp on hook, dc in each of next 2 sc, yo and draw through all 3 lps on hook. (2 sts dec)

Ending decrease (edec): Keeping last lp of each dc on hook, work dc in each of last 3 sts, yo and draw through all 4 lps on hook. (2 sts dec)

Single crochet join (sc join):

Place a slip knot on hook, insert hook in indicated st, yo and draw up a lp, yo and pull through both lps on hook.

TREE SKIRT

SECTION

Make 5 each red & green.

Row 1 (WS): With size H hook, ch 4, sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each of next 2 chs, turn. (3 sc)

Row 2 (RS): Ch 3 (see *Pattern Notes*), dc in first sc, dc in next sc, 2 dc in last sc, turn. (5 dc)

Row 3: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 4: Ch 3, dc in first sc, dc in each sc across to last sc, 2 dc in last sc, turn. (7 dc)

Rows 5–26: [Rep rows 3 and 4] 11 times. (29 dc)

Row 27: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 28: Bdec (see *Special Stitches*), dc in each st across to last 3 sts of row, **edec** (see *Special Stitches*), turn. (25 sts)

Rows 29–38: [Rep last 2 rows] 5 times. (5 sts)

Row 39: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 40: Ch 2, edec in next 3 sts, dc in last st. Fasten off. (3 sts)

Section Edging

Rnd 1 (RS): With RS facing, using same color as Section, **sc join** (see *Special Stitches*) in opposite side of foundation ch of 2nd st of row 1, 3 sc in next ch, working in end of rows, [2 sc in next dc row, sc in next sc row] 12 times, 2 sc in next dc, 2 sc in next sc row (*for side corner*), [2 sc in next dc row, sc in next sc row] 6 times, 2 sc in next dc row, 3 sc in center st at top edge of piece, [2 sc in next dc row, sc in next sc row] 6 times, 2 sc in next dc row, 2 sc in next sc row (*for side*

corner), [2 sc in next dc row, sc in next sc row] 12 times, 2 sc in next dc row, 3 sc in opposite side of first foundation ch, join in beg sc, fasten off. (130 sc)

SNOWFLAKE

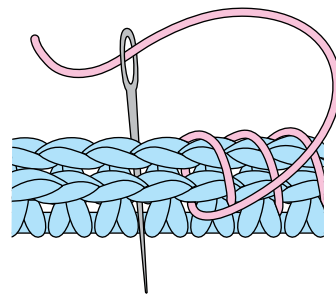
Make 5.

Rnd 1: With size H hook and white, ch 5, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*) in 5th ch from hook to form a ring. Work 12 sc in ring, join in beg sc.

Rnd 2: Ch 1, sc in same st as joining, *ch 7, sc in 5th ch from hook, ch 2, sc in next sc**, sc in next sc, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in beg sc, fasten off leaving a 24-inch tail for sewing.

ASSEMBLY

Referring to Assembly Diagram and with RS held tog, **whipstitch** (see *illustration*) Sections tog, alternating red and green and leaving 1 seam unsewn. Beg at center sc of 3-sc corner, sew through matching sts up to and including first sc of 2-sc side corner.



Whipstitch Edges

Referring to photo, sew 1 Snowflake on each red Section.

Outside Edging

Row 1: With RS facing, sc join white in 2nd st of side corner on free edge of green Section (see *Assembly Diagram*), *[sk next sc,

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This easy-to-make project will be done just in time for the holidays! Crocheted with worsted-weight yarn, each red section features a crocheted snowflake to complete the festive look.

Holiday Wonderland Doily

Design by Gemma Owen

1 2 3 4 5 6 INTERMEDIATE

FINISHED MEASUREMENT

15 inches in diameter

MATERIALS

- Aunt Lydia's Classic Crochet size 10 crochet cotton (white: 400 yds per ball; solids: 350 yds per ball):
1 ball each #1 white, #484 myrtle green, #494 victory red and #423 maize
- Size 7/1.65mm steel crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle
- Size 6 red glass beads: 126
- Rustproof pins
- Pinning board
- Spray starch



GAUGE

First 2 rnds of Flower = 1 1/4 inches

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Chain-3 at beginning of round counts as first double crochet unless otherwise stated.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

SPECIAL STITCHES

Beginning 3-double crochet cluster (beg 3-dc cl): Ch 2, [yo, insert hook in indicated st, yo, draw through 2 lps on hook] twice in same st, yo, draw through all 3 lps on hook.

3-double crochet cluster (3-dc cl): [Yo, insert hook in indicated st, yo, draw through 2 lps on hook] 3 times in same st, yo, draw through all 4 lps on hook.

Beginning double crochet decrease (beg dc dec): Ch 2, dc in next st.

Picot: Ch 3, sl st in top of last st.

Beginning shell (beg shell): (Ch 3, dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in indicated sp.

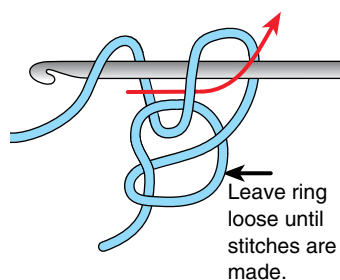
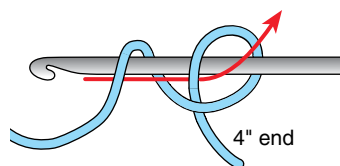
Shell: (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in indicated sp.

DOILY

TREE

Make 6.

Row 1: With myrtle green form a **slip ring** (see illustration), ch 1, (sc, ch 3, sc, sl st) in ring, draw end of slip ring tightly to close opening, turn. (2 sc, sl st, ch-3 sp)



Slip Ring

Row 2: Ch 3, (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in ch-3 sp, turn. (6 dc, ch-2 sp)

Row 3: Ch 3, dc in first dc, 2 dc in each of next 2 dc, 2 dc in ch-2 sp, 2 dc in each of next 2 dc, dc in next dc, turn. (12 dc)

Row 4: Ch 5, 2 dc in next dc, ch 2, dc in each of next 4 dc, ch 2, dc in each of next 4 dc, ch 2, 2 dc in next dc, turn. (12 dc, 3 ch-2 sps)

Row 5: Ch 5, **shell** (see Special Stitches) in each of next ch-2 sps, turn. (3 shells)

Row 6: Ch 5, shell in next ch-2 sp, ch 2, 3 dc in next ch-2 sp, ch 2, shell in next ch-2 sp, turn. (2 shells, 3 dc, 2 ch-2 sps)

Row 7: Ch 5, [shell in next ch-2 sp] 4 times, turn. (4 shells)

Row 8: Ch 5, shell in next ch-2 sp, ch 2, [3 dc in next ch-2 sp, ch 2] twice, shell in next ch-2 sp, turn. (2 shells, 2 groups 3 dc, 3 ch-2 sps)

Row 9: Ch 5, [shell in next ch-2 sp] 5 times, turn. (5 shells)

Row 10: Ch 5, shell in next ch-2 sp, ch 2, [3 dc in next ch-2 sp, ch 2] 3 times, shell in next ch-2 sp, turn. (2 shells, 3 groups 3 dc, 4 ch-2 sps)

Row 11: Ch 5, [shell in next ch-2 sp] 6 times, turn. (6 shells)

Row 12: Ch 5, shell in next ch-2 sp, ch 2, [3 dc in next ch-2 sp, ch 2] 4 times, shell in next ch-2 sp, turn. (2 shells, 4 groups 3 dc, 5 ch-2 sps)

Row 13: Ch 5, [shell in next ch-2 sp] 7 times, turn. (7 shells)

Row 14: Ch 5, shell in next ch-2 sp, ch 2, [3 dc in next ch-2 sp, ch 2] 5 times, shell in next ch-2 sp, turn. (2 shells, 5 groups 3 dc, 6 ch-2 sps)

Row 15: Ch 5, [shell in next ch-2 sp] 8 times. Fasten off. (8 shells)

FLOWER

Rnd 1 (RS): With maize form a slip ring, **beg 3-dc cl** (see Special Stitches) in ring, ch 2, (3-dc cl—see Special Stitches in ring, ch 2) 5 times, **join** (see Pattern Notes) in top of beg 3-dc cl, draw end of slip ring tightly to close opening. Fasten off. (6 cls, 6 ch-2 sps)

Rnd 2: Join victory red in any ch-2 sp, **ch 3** (see Pattern Notes), 4 dc in same ch-2 sp, ch 2, [5 dc in next ch-2 sp, ch 2] 5 times, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (30 dc, 6 ch-2 sps)

Rnd 3: Ch 3, dc in same st as beg ch-3, dc in next dc, **fpdc** (see Stitch Guide) around next dc, dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc, ch 2, sk next

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With a poinsettia at the center, surrounded by evergreen trees laced with tiny glass beads and finished with an edge of cascading snow drifts, this stunning doily captures the best of the season.



Old Tyme Christmas Runner

Design by Joyce Geisler

1 2 3 4 5 6 INTERMEDIATE

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

18¾ inches wide x 51¼ inches long

MATERIALS

- Aunt Lydia's Classic Crochet size 10 crochet cotton (350 yds per ball):
 - 3 balls #210 antique white
 - 2 balls #492 burgundy
 - 1 ball each #131 fudge brown, #449 forest green and #422 golden yellow
- Size 7/1.65mm steel crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle
- Blocking pins
- Heavy spray starch (optional)



GAUGE

3 rnds = ¾ inch, blocked
Motif = 1¾ inches, blocked

PATTERN NOTES

Runner is worked in 2 halves, joined together in last row of 2nd half. Each half is made of square

Motifs worked with a join-as-you-go technique beginning at bottom edge. Refer to Assembly Diagram for Motif colors.

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Chain-3 at beginning of round counts as first double crochet unless otherwise stated.

Join with slip stitch as indicated unless otherwise stated.

SPECIAL STITCHES

Note: All Special Stitches except V-sts are counted as dc.

Beginning 2 double crochet together (beg dc2tog): Ch 3, hdc in indicated st.

Double crochet 2 together (dc2tog): [Yo, insert hook in next st, yo, pull up a lp, yo, draw through 2 lps on hook] twice (3 lps on hook), yo, draw through all 3 lps on hook.

Beginning 3 double crochet together (beg dc3tog): Ch 3, [yo, insert hook in next st, yo, pull up a lp, yo, draw through 2 lps on hook] twice (3 lps on hook), yo, draw through all 3 lps.

Double crochet 3 together (dc3tog): [Yo, insert hook in next st, yo, pull up a lp, yo, draw through 2 lps on hook] 3 times (4 lps on hook), yo, draw through all 4 lps on hook.

V-stitch (V-st): (Dc, ch 5, dc) in indicated sp.

V-stitch join (V-st join): (Dc, ch 2, sl st in ch-5 sp of corresponding V-st of previous—or indicated—Motif, ch 2, dc) in indicated sp.

RUNNER

FIRST HALF

Row 1

Motif 1

Rnd 1: With burgundy, make a **slip ring** (see illustration), **ch 3** (see Pattern Notes), 4 dc in ring. [Ch 3, 5 dc in ring] 4 times. Ch 3, **join** (see Pattern Notes) in top of beg ch-3. Do not pull tail to close ring. (25 dc, 5 ch-3 sps)

Rnd 2: Beg dc2tog (see Special Stitches), dc in next dc, **dc2tog** (see Special Stitches). [Ch 3, sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 3*, dc2tog, dc in next st, dc2tog] around, ending last rep at *, join in beg dc2tog. (5 sc, 15 dc, 10 ch-3 sps)

Rnd 3: Beg dc3tog (see Special Stitches). [(Ch 3, sc) in next 2 ch-3

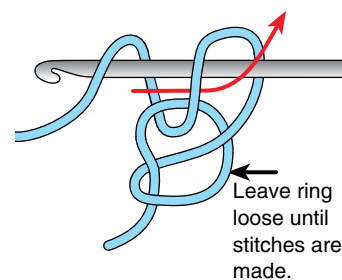
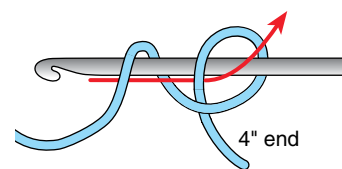
sps, ch 3*, **dc3tog** (see Special Stitches)] around, ending last rep at *, join in beg dc3tog. (10 sc, 5 dc, 15 ch-3 sps)

Rnd 4: [Ch 5, sk next sp, **V-st** (see Special Stitches) in next ch-3 sp, ch 5, sk next ch-3 sp, sl st in next dc] twice. [Ch 5, sk next ch-3 sp, sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 5, sk next ch-3 sp, sl st in next dc] 3 times, working last sl st in joining sl st of rnd 3. Fasten off.

Motifs 2–11

Rnds 1–3: Work same as rnds 1–3 of Motif 1.

Rnd 4 (1-sided join): Ch 5, sk next ch-3 sp, V-st in next ch-3 sp. Ch 5, sl st in next dc. Ch 5, sk next ch-3 sp, **V-st join** (see Special Stitches) in next ch-3 sp. Ch 2, sl st in next ch-5 sp of previous Motif. Ch 2, sl st in next dc of current Motif. Ch 2, sl st in next ch-5 sp of previous Motif. Ch 2, sk next ch-3 sp of current Motif, sl st in next ch-3 sp. Ch 2, sl st in next ch-5 sp of previous Motif (before dc of rnd 3). Ch 2, sl st in next dc of current Motif. Ch 5, sk next ch-3 sp, sl st in next ch-3 sp. Ch 5, sk next ch-3 sp, sl st in next dc. Ch 5, sk next ch-3 sp, sl st in next ch-3 sp. Ch 5, sk next ch-3 sp, sl st in joining sl st of rnd 3. Fasten off.



Slip Ring

Row 2

Work Motifs 1 and 11 with burgundy and Motifs 2–10 with antique white.

Motif 1

Rnds 1–3: Work same as rnds 1–3 of Row 1 Motif 1.

Rnd 4 (1-sided join): [Ch 5, sk next ch-3 sp, V-st in next ch-3 sp. Ch 5, sk next ch-3 sp, sl st in top of next dc] twice. Ch 5, sk next ch-3 sp, sc in next ch-3 sp. Ch 2, with Motif 1 of previous row upside down and held with WS tog to current Motif, sl st in ch-5 sp of first V-st of Motif 1. Ch 2, sl st in next dc of current Motif. Ch 2, sl st in next ch-5 sp of previous Motif. Ch 2, sk next ch-3 sp, sl st in next ch-3 sp of current Motif. Ch 2, sl st in next ch-5 sp of previous Motif. Ch 2, sl st in next dc of current Motif. Ch 2, sl st in joining sp of previous Motifs. Ch 5, sk next ch-3 sp of current Motif, sc in next ch-3 sp. Ch 5, sl st in next dc. Fasten off.

Motifs 2–10

Rnds 1–3: With antique white, work same as rnds 1–3 of Row 1 Motif 1.

***Note:** Asterisk in this rnd 4 is a reference point in rnd 4 of Motif 11.*

Rnd 4 (2-sided join): Ch 5, sk next ch-3 sp, V-st in next ch-3 sp. Ch 5, sl st in next dc. Ch 5, sk next ch-3 sp, with WS of current and previous Motifs held tog, V-st join in next ch-3 sp. Ch 2, sl st in next ch-5 sp of previous Motif. [Ch 2, sl st in next dc of current Motif. Ch 2, sl st in next ch-5 sp of previous Motif. Ch 2, sk next ch-3 sp of current Motif, sl st in next ch-3 sp.] Ch 2, sl st in joining sp of previous Motifs of current row and row below. Rep between [] once. Ch 2, sl st in next ch-5 sp of previous Motif of row below. Ch 2, sl st in next dc of current Motif.* Ch 2, sl st in joining sp of previous Motifs of row below. Ch 5, sk next



This runner made up of small solid Motifs conjures up nostalgic images of times gone by. Not into vintage? Change the colors for a more modern look or work up only half and create a lovely wall hanging.

ch-3 sp of current Motif, sl st in next ch-3 sp. Ch 5, join in beg sl st. Fasten off.

Motif 11

Rnds 1–3: With burgundy, work same as rnds 1–3 of Row 1 Motif 1.

Rnd 4 (2-sided join): Rep rnd 4 of previous Motif to *. Ch 2, sl st in ch-5 sp of next V-st of previous Motif of row below. Ch 5, sk next ch-3 sp of current Motif, sl st in next ch-3 sp. Ch 5, join in beg sl st. Fasten off.

Rows 3–14

Referring to **Assembly Diagram**

for color sequences, rep row 2, working center square of Row 11 as follows:

Rnds 1–3: With golden yellow, work same as rnds 1–3 of Row 1 Motif 1, **ch color change** (see *Stitch Guide*) to antique white in join.

Rnd 4: Work same as Row 2 Motif 2.

2ND HALF

Rows 1–13

Work same as Rows 1–13 of First Half.

Row 14

Rep colors of Row 14 of First Half.

Motif 1

Rnds 1–3: Work same as rnds 1–3 of First Half Row 1 Motif 1.

Place First Half RS up with bottom of edge of Row 1 facing.

Rnd 4: Ch 5, sk next ch-3 sp, V-st join in next ch-3 sp, working sl st in joining sp of Motifs 1 and 2 of First Half. Ch 2, sl st in next ch-5 sp of First Half. Ch 2, sl st in next dc of current Motif. Ch 2, sl st in next ch-5 sp of First Half. Ch 2, sk next ch-3 sp of current Motif, V-st in next ch-3 sp, working sl st in adjacent V-st of First Half. Ch 5, sl st in next dc of current Motif, ch 5, sk next ch-3 sp, sc in next ch-3 sp. Ch 5, sl st in ch-5 sp of next V-st of previous Motif. Ch 2, sl st in next dc of current Motif. Ch 2, sl st in next ch-5 sp of previous Motif. Ch 2, sk next ch-3 sp of current Motif, sl st in next ch-3 sp. Ch 2, sl st in next ch-5 sp of previous Motif of row below. Ch 2, sl st in joining sp of previous Motifs. Ch 5, sk next ch-3 sp of current Motif, sc in next ch-3 sp. Ch 5, sl st in next dc. Fasten off.

Motifs 2–10

Rnds 1–3: With antique white, work same as rnds 1–3 of First Half Row 1 Motif 1.

Note: Asterisk in this rnd 4 is a reference point in rnd 4 of Motif 11.

Rnd 4: Ch 5, sk next ch-3 sp, V-st join in next ch-3 sp, working sl st in joining sp of adjacent Motifs of First Half. Ch 2, sl st in next ch-5 sp of First Half. Ch 2, sl st in next dc of current Motif. Ch 2, sl st in next ch-5 sp of First Half. Ch 2, sk next ch-3 sp of current Motif, V-st in next ch-3 sp, working sl st in joining sp of adjacent V-sts of First Half. Ch 2, sl st in next ch-5 sp of previous Motif. [Ch 2, sl st in next dc of current Motif. Ch 2, sl st in next ch-5 sp of previous Motif. Ch 2, sk next ch-3 sp of current Motif, sl st in next ch-3 sp.] Ch 2, sl st in joining sp of previous Motifs of current row and row below. Rep between [] once. Ch 2, sl st in next ch-5 sp of previous Motif of row below. Ch 2, sl st in next dc of current Motif.* Ch 2, sl st in joining sp of previous Motifs of row below. Ch 5, sk next ch-3 sp of current Motif, sl st in next ch-3 sp. Ch 5, join in beg sl st. Fasten off.

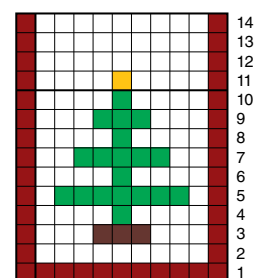
Motif 11

Work same as First Half Row 2 Motif 11.

FINISHING

Stretch Runner, pinning out edges to open design, and starch if desired. **CW**

COLOR KEY	
	Antique white
	Burgundy
	Fudge brown
	Golden yellow
	Forest green



Old Tyme Christmas Runner
Assembly Diagram

Winter Warmer Set

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in corner ch-2 sp (*buttonhole lp*), [working down side edge of Cozy, sc in each dc and each ch-1 sp to seam between Squares, sc in each of next 2 ch-2 sps] twice, sc in each dc and each ch-1 sp to beg sc sts of corner, join in beg sc. Fasten off.

FINISHING

With a length of yarn and tapestry needle, sew button to center of rnd 1 of first Square at opposite end of Cozy from Triangle Motif.

Wrap Cozy around mug passing Triangle Motif through handle of mug and secure button lp to button.

MUG RUG

Rnd 1 (RS): With dark pink, ch 4, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*) in first ch to form a ring, **beg shell** (see *Special Stitches*) in ring, ch 2, (**shell**—see *Special Stitches*, ch 2) 3 times in ring, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (4 shells, 4 ch-2 sps)

Rnd 2 (RS): Sl st in next 2 dc, sl st in ch-2 sp, beg shell in ch-2 sp, ch 2, shell in same ch-2 sp, ch 1,

[**corner shell** (see *Special Stitches*) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1] 3 times, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (4 corner shells, 4 ch-1 sps)

Row 3 (RS): Now working in rows, join lime green in any corner ch-2 sp, beg shell in same ch-2 sp, shell in next ch-1 sp, corner shell in next corner shell, shell in next ch-1 sp, shell in next ch-2 corner sp, turn. (4 shells, 1 corner shell, 1 ch-2 sp)

Row 4 (WS): Ch 4 (see *Pattern Notes*), [shell in sp between next 2 shells] twice, corner shell in next corner ch-2 sp, [shell in sp between

next 2 shells] twice, ch 1, sk next 2 dc, dc in next dc, fasten off, turn. (4 shells, 1 corner shell, 2 dc, 2 ch-1 sps)

Row 5 (RS): Join red in ch-1 sp, beg shell in same ch-1 sp, *[shell in sp between next 2 shells] across to corner ch-2 sp, corner shell in ch-2 sp of corner shell, [shell in sp between next 2 shells] across to last ch-1 sp, shell in ch-1 sp, turn. (1 corner shell, 6 shells)

Row 6 (WS): Ch 4, [shell in sp between next 2 shells] across to next corner ch-2 sp, corner shell in ch-2 sp of corner shell, [shell in sp between next 2 shells] across, ending with ch 1, dc in last dc, fasten off,

turn. (1 corner shell, 6 shells, 2 dc, 2 ch-1 sps)

Row 7 (RS): With off-white, rep row 5. (1 corner shell, 8 shells)

Row 8 (WS): Rep row 6. (1 corner shell, 8 shells, 2 dc, 2 ch-1 sps)

Row 9 (RS): With dark green, rep row 5. (1 corner shell, 10 shells)

Row 10 (WS): Rep row 6. (1 corner shell, 10 shells, 2 dc, 2 ch-1 sps)

Row 11 (RS): With pale pink, rep row 5. (1 corner shell, 12 shells)

Row 12 (WS): Rep row 6. (1 corner shell, 12 shells, 2 dc, 2 ch-1 sps)

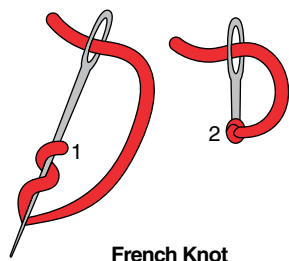
Rnd 13 (RS): Now working in

rnds, join variegated in corner ch-2 sp of corner shell, (beg shell, ch 2, shell) in corner ch-2 sp, [shell in sp between next 2 shells] 6 times, corner shell in next ch-1 sp of corner, shell in side edge of each dc of rows 10, 8, 6 and 4, shell in corner ch-2 sp of rnd 2, shell in next ch-1 sp, corner shell in next ch-2 sp of next corner shell, shell in next ch-1 sp, shell in ch-2 corner sp, shell in side edge of each dc of rows 4, 6, 8 and 10, corner shell in ch-1 sp of corner, [shell in sp between next 2 shells] 6 times, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (4 corner shells, 24 shells) **CW**

"Snow" Much Fun Set

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Working on the Head and Body front, with length of black, embroider **French knot** (see illustration) for eyes, wrapping yarn 5 times around needle and centered between rnds 2 and 3 of Head with ¼-inch sp between eyes.



For nose, with pumpkin, embroider French knot, wrapping yarn 4 times around needle and centered on rnd 1. Use photo as guide for placement of facial features and oval buttons. Cut length of black 3 inches long, tie knot

on each end, adjusting knots so mouth is 1¾ inches long. Glue mouth in smiling shape between rnds 2 and 3 centered below nose. With needle and thread, sew oval buttons centered to front of Body leaving ⅜-inch sp between buttons.

Work the following steps to join all 4 Body and Head sections. The top opening is formed to insert the flatware in pocket formed at top of head.

A. Position first 2 Head and Body sections tog with face facing up and WS tog. Position rem 3rd and 4th Head and Body section tog with WS tog.

B. Starting at halfway point of right edge of Head, working through front 2 thicknesses of Head only, whipstitch to opposite side of Head halfway around;

C. Now working through all 4 thicknesses, whipstitch down rem portion of Head around entire Body and up Head to beg point of front section.

D. Now working on rem 2 back sections of Head, working through both thicknesses, whipstitch across sts to join at left edge, knot to secure, fasten off rem length.

Glue Earmuff Band to top edge of Head, making sure edges are even and it is centered on top half of Head, using a small thin line of glue around edges of band. Allow glue to dry. Sew Earmuff to each side of Head overlapping end of Earmuff Band slightly. Apply glue to front underside of Earmuff and hold in place for a moment so that Earmuff tilts toward face.

Tie Scarf around neck and secure to front of Body with glue on back of Scarf sections about halfway down. Glue a pompom to each end of Scarf.

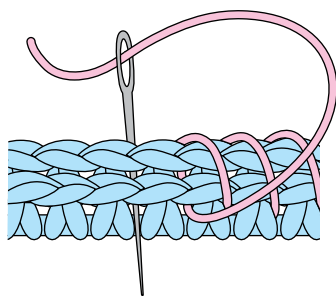
Insert flatware in pocket through the top of the Snowman. **CW**

Family Favorite Blanket

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BLOCK ASSEMBLY

Arrange Small Squares as shown in Placement Diagram. Holding Small Squares with RS facing, **whipstitch edges** (see illustration) of squares tog.



Whipstitch Edges

BLOCK EDGING

Note: This is worked around outer edge of 4 joined Small Squares. Change color referring to Color Sequence.

Rnd 1 (RS): Join first color in any ch-2 sp, (beg shell, ch 2, shell) in same ch-2 sp, ch 1, *[shell, ch 1] in each of next 3 ch-1 sps, dc in next corner ch-2 sp, **dc dec** (see *Stitch Guide*) in same corner ch-2 sp and next corner ch-2 sp, dc in same ch-2 corner (counts as a shell), ch 1, [shell, ch 1] in each of next 3 ch-1 sps**, corner shell in next corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (4 corner shells, 28 shells, 32 ch-1 sps)

Rnd 2 (RS): Join next color in any ch-2 sp, (beg shell, ch 3, shell) in same ch-2 sp, ch 1, *[shell, ch 1] in each ch-1 sp to next corner ch-2 sp**, corner shell in next corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (4 corner shells, 32 shells, 36 ch-1 sps)

Rnds 3–5: Rep rnd 2. (4 corner shells, 44 shells, 4 ch-2 sps, 48 ch-1 sps)

LARGE SQUARE

Make 2 referring to Color Sequence.

Rnds 1–4: Rep rnds 1–4 of Small Square.

Rnds 5–13: Rep rnd 4 of Small Square. (4 corner shells, 44 shells, 48 ch-1 sps)

BLANKET ASSEMBLY

Arrange the 12 Blocks as shown in Placement Diagram. With RS facing, whipstitch Blocks tog.

BLANKET EDGING

Rnd 1 (RS): Join pale green in any corner ch-2 sp, (beg shell, ch 2, shell) in corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, (shell, ch 1) in each ch-1 sp and *[in next Block seam, dc in next ch-2 sp before seam, dc dec in same ch-2 sp and next ch-2 sp after seam, dc in same ch-2 sp as last leg of dec (counts as a shell), ch 1, (shell,

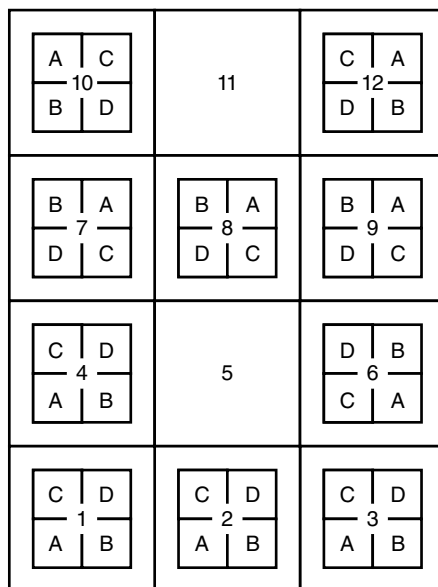
ch 1) in each ch-1 sp] across to next corner ch-2 sp**, (corner shell, ch 1) in corner ch-2 sp, (shell, ch 1) in each ch-1 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (4 corner shells, 182 ch-1 sps, 51 shells each long side, 38 shells each short side)

Rnd 2: Join dark green in any corner ch-2 sp, (beg shell, ch 2, shell) in corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, *[shell in ch-1 sp, ch 1] across to next corner ch-2 sp**, corner shell in corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (4 corner shells, 182 shells, 186 ch-1 sps)

Rnd 3: Sl st in each of next 2 dc, sl st in next ch-2 sp, rep rnd 2 from beg shell. Fasten off. (4 corner shells, 186 shells, 190 ch-1 sps)

Rnds 4 & 5: Join off-white, rep rnds 2 and 3. (4 corner shells, 194 shells, 198 ch-1 sps)

Rnds 6 & 7: Join red, rep rnds 2 and 3. (4 corner shells, 202 shells, 206 ch-1 sps) **CW**



Family Favorite Blanket
Placement Diagram

Reindeer Case

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Rnd 2: 2 sc in each sc around. (8 sc)

Rnd 3: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 4: [2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc] 4 times. (12 sc)

Rnd 5: Rep rnd 3, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*), leaving 8-inch length of yarn, fasten off.

Using photo as a guide, with rem length, sew an ear to each side of case.

EYE

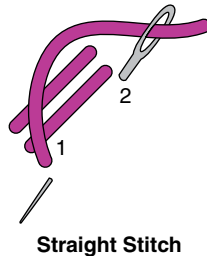
Make 2.

Rnd 1: With black, ch 2, 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook, place marker. (6 sc)

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each sc around, join, leaving 8-inch length of yarn, fasten off. (12 sc)

With length of white and tapestry needle, highlight each eye with several **straight stitches** (see

illustration). Sew eyes to front of case.



NOSE

Rnd 1: With red, ch 5, 3 sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each of next 2 chs, 3 sc in last ch, working on opposite side of foundation ch, sc in each of next 2 chs, join in beg sc, leaving 8-inch length, fasten off. (10 sc)

Sew nose centered below eyes.

CHEEK

Make 2.

Rnd 1: With pink rose, ch 2, 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook, join in beg sc, leaving 6-inch length, fasten off. (6 sc)

Sew a cheek to each side of nose below eyes.

ANTLER

Make 2.

Rnd 1: For main part of antler, with coffee, ch 2, 5 sc in 2nd ch from hook, do not join. (5 sc)

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each sc around. (10 sc)

Rnds 3–7: Sc in each sc around. At the end of rnd 7, fasten off.

Rnd 8: For small part of antler, with coffee, ch 2, 5 sc in 2nd ch from hook, do not join. (5 sc)

Rnds 9 & 10: Sc in each sc around. At the end of rnd 10, leaving 10-inch length, fasten off.

Sew rnd 10 of smaller part of antler to outer lower edge of main part of antler. With small part of antler facing outer edge, sew rnd 7 of main portion of antler above each eye.

FINISHING

Sew zipper to side of each zipper placket. **CW**

Teddy Bears Garland

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PUDDING

Make 7.

Leaves & Berry

With spruce, [ch 4, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next ch, sl st in next ch (*leaf made*)] twice, changing color to really red in last st, ch 1, sc dec in last sts of each leaf, ch 3, dc in 3rd ch from hook, sl st in side of dc, fasten off. Fold dc downward to close it in shape of a berry. Thread really red end tail on needle, draw to front, insert needle through sc dec and draw tail to back of piece. Do not cut, tails of both colors will tie Leaves & Berry to Icing.

Icing

With snow white, make a slip ring, ch 1, 6 hdc in ring, do not join, fasten off.

Front

With walnut, make a slip ring, ch 2, 12 dc in ring, join in first hdc, fasten off. Position Icing with lower edge above center of Front and sew in place. Sew Leaves & Berry on top of Icing.

Back

Work same as Front, do not fasten off at end of rnd. Holding Front and Back tog and working through both thicknesses with Back facing, (ch 1, sl st) evenly around, ch 1, join in first sl st, fasten off.

ASSEMBLY & FINISHING

Alternate Boy and Girl Bears, separating each with a Pudding and placing a Pudding at each end. Working on WS, sew pieces tog.

Hanging Loop

Make 2.

Join walnut in back of end Pudding, ch 12, join in same st as beg join. Fasten off. **CW**

Snow Kid

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Rnds 2–5: Ch 1, sc in each st around, join in beg sc.

Row 6: Ch 1, with last rnd held flat and working through both thicknesses, sc in each st across, turn. Do not fasten off. (4 sc)

Fingers

Ch 4, sl st in 2nd ch from hook and in next 2 chs, sl st in first sc, [ch 4, sl st in 2nd ch from

hook and in next 2 chs, sl st in next sc] 3 times. Fasten off.

Leg

Make 2.

Rnd 1: With A, ch 2, 8 sc in 2nd ch from hook, join in beg sc. (8 sc)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, 2 sc in first 3 sts, sc in next st, 2 sc in next 3 sts, sc in last st, join in beg sc. (14 sc)

Rnd 3: Ch 1, sc in each st around, join in beg sc.

Rnd 4: Ch 1, sc in first 9 sts, sc dec in next 3 sts, sc in last 2 sts, join in beg sc. (12 sc)

Rnd 5: Ch 1, sc in first 8 sts, sc dec in next 3 sts, sc in last st, join in beg sc. (10 sc)

Rnds 6–9: Ch 1, sc in each st around, join in beg sc.

Right Leg Only

Row 10: Ch 1, sc in first 5 sts,

leave rem sts unworked, turn. (5 sc)

Row 11: Ch 1, sc dec in next 2 sts, sc, sc dec in next 2 sts, turn. (3 sc)

Row 12: Ch 1, sc dec in next 3 sts, fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. (1 sc)

Left Leg Only

Row 10: Turn, sl st in first st, ch 1, sc in next 5 sts, turn. (5 sc)

Rows 11 & 12: Rep rows 11 and 12 of Right Leg.

Nose

Rnds 1 & 2: With B, work same as rnds 1 and 2 of Head & Torso.

Rnd 3: Rep rnd 2 of Head & Torso, fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

SCARF

With C, ch 30, sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across, fasten off. (29 sc)

Fringe

Cut 4 5-inch lengths of C. *Hold 2 strands tog and fold in half. Insert hook in end of Scarf, pull folded end through, pull ends through fold, pull ends to tighten knot. Rep from * in other end, trim tails to desired length.

HAT

Rnds 1–4: With D, work same as rnds 1–4 of Head & Torso.

Rnd 5: Ch 1, sc in first 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, [sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st] around, join in beg sc. (30 sc)

Rnd 6: Ch 1, sc in each st around, **change color** (see *Stitch Guide*) to A, join in beg sc.

Rnd 7: Ch 1, sc in each st around, change color to B, join in beg sc.

Rnd 8: Ch 1, sc in each st around, join in beg sc.

Rnds 9 & 10: Rep rnds 6 and 7.

Rnds 11 & 12: Rep rnd 8. At end of rnd 12, fasten off.

Pompom

With pompom maker and A, make 2-inch pompom.

ASSEMBLY & FINISHING

Referring to photo for placement, use beg and end tails to sew pieces. Sew Nose to rnd 7 of Head.

Stuff Legs lightly and sew in a standing or sitting position to bottom of Torso.

Stuff Arms lightly, then flatten rnd 1 and sew edges tog. Sew Arms to rnd 16 of Torso.

Sew Pompom to top of Hat. Place Hat on Head with brim resting on Nose and tack in place.

Tie Scarf around neck. **CW**

Christmas Spirit Gnome

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Rnd 8: Sc in each st around, join in beg sc, ch 1.

Rnd 9: Sc dec in first 2 sts, sc in next 13 sts, sc dec in last 2 sts, join in beg sc, ch 1. (15 sc)

Rnd 10: Working in front lps

(see *Stitch Guide*), sl st in each st around, join in beg sl st. Fasten off.

Rnd 11: Working in unworked back lps, **sc join** (see *Special Stitches*) garnet in first st, evenly sp 9 sc around, join in beg sc, ch 1.

Rnd 12: Sc in each st around, join and change color to snow, ch 1.

Rnd 13: Rep rnd 8.

Rnd 14: Sc in each st around, join and change color to garnet, ch 1.

Rnds 15–26: [Rep rnds 13 and 14] 6 times, alternating color changes at end of each even-numbered rnd, ending with garnet. At end of last rnd, cut snow.

Rnd 27: Sc in first 3 sts, sc dec in next 2 sts, sc in next 3 sts, sc dec in next 2 sts, join in beg sc, ch 1. (8 sc)

Row 28: With last rnd flattened and working through both thicknesses, sc in each st across. Leaving a 6-inch tail, fasten off. (4 sc)

ARM

Make 2.

Rnds 1 & 2: Work same as rnd 1 and 2 of Nose.

Rnds 3 & 4: Sc in each st around, join in beg sc, ch 1.

Rnd 5: Sc in first 4 sts, sc dec in next 2 sts, sc in next 4 sts, sc dec in last 4 sts, join and change color to snow, ch 1. (10 sts)

Rnd 6: Working in front lps, sl st in each st around, join in beg sl st. Fasten off.

Rnd 7: Working in unworked back lps, sc join slate in first st, evenly sp 9 sc around, join in beg sc, ch 1.

Rnds 8–14: Sc in each st around, join in beg sc, ch 1.

Rnd 15: Sc in first 3 sts, sc dec in next 2 sts, sc in next 3 sts, sc dec in last 2 sts, join in beg sc, ch 1. (8 sc)
Stuff Arm lightly.

Row 16: Work same as row 28 of Leg.

HAT

Rnd 1: With ivy, make a slip ring, ch 1, 4 sc in ring, join in beg sc, ch 1. Pull gently on tail to close ring. (4 sc)

Rnd 2: Hdc in first st, hdc inc in next st, hdc in next st, hdc inc in last st, join in beg hdc, ch 1. (6 hdc)

Rnd 3: Hdc in each st around, join in beg hdc, ch 1.

Rnds 4 & 5: Rep rnd 3.

Rnd 6: Hdc in first 2 sts, hdc inc in next st, hdc in next 2 sts, hdc inc in last st, join in beg hdc, ch 1. (8 hdc)

Rnds 7 & 8: Rep rnd 3.

Rnd 9: Hdc in first 3 sts, hdc inc in next st, hdc in next 3 sts, hdc inc in last st, join in beg hdc, ch 1. (10 hdc)

Rnds 10 & 11: Rep rnd 3.

Rnd 12: Hdc in first 4 sts, hdc inc in next st, hdc in next 4 sts, hdc inc in last st, join in beg hdc, ch 1. (12 hdc)

Rnd 13: Rep rnd 3.

Rnd 14: Hdc in first 5 sts, hdc inc in next st, hdc in next 5 sts, hdc inc in last st, join in beg hdc, ch 1. (14 hdc)

Rnd 15: Hdc in first 6 sts, hdc inc in next st, hdc in next 6 sts, hdc inc in last st, join in beg hdc, ch 1. (16 hdc)

Rnd 16: Hdc in first 7 sts, hdc inc in next st, hdc in next 7 sts, hdc inc in last st, join in beg hdc, ch 1. (18 hdc)

Rnd 17: Hdc in first 8 sts, hdc inc in next st, hdc in next 8 sts, hdc inc in last st, join in beg hdc, ch 1. (20 hdc)

Rnd 18: Hdc in first 9 sts, hdc inc in next st, hdc in next 9 sts, hdc inc in last st, join in beg hdc, ch 1. (22 hdc)

Rnd 19: Hdc in first 10 sts, hdc inc in next st, hdc in next 10 sts, hdc inc in last st, join in beg hdc, ch 1. (24 hdc)

Rnd 20: Hdc in first 11 sts, hdc inc in next st, hdc in next 11 sts, hdc inc in last st, join in beg hdc, ch 1. (26 hdc)

Rnd 21: Hdc in first 12 sts, hdc inc in next st, hdc in next 12 sts, hdc inc in last st, join in beg hdc, ch 1. (28 hdc)

Rnd 22: Hdc in first 6 sts, hdc inc in next st, [hdc in next 6 sts, hdc inc in next st] around, join in beg hdc, ch 1. (32 hdc)

Rnd 23: Hdc in first 7 sts, hdc inc in next st, [hdc in next 7 sts, hdc inc in next st] around, join in beg hdc, ch 1. (36 hdc)

Rnd 24: Hdc in first 5 sts, hdc inc in next st, [hdc in next 5 sts, hdc inc in next st] around, join in beg hdc, ch 1. (42 hdc)

Rnd 25: Hdc in first 6 sts, hdc inc in next st, [hdc in next 6 sts, hdc inc in next st] around, join in beg hdc, ch 1. (48 hdc)

Rnd 26: Rep rnd 3, join and change color to snow, ch 1. Cut ivy.

Rnd 27: Rep rnd 3.

Rnd 28: Sl st in each st around, join in beg sl st. Leaving a long tail for sewing, fasten off.

ASSEMBLY & FINISHING

Refer to photo as a guide for placement of all pieces.

Nose

Sew to Body & Head on rnds 29–32, stuffing as sewing progresses.

Beard

For each strand of Beard, cut 2 10½-inch lengths of snow. Hold lengths tog and fold in half. At midpoint side of Nose, insert hook in closest st on Body & Head from top down, place fold on hook and pull through, pull ends through fold, gently pull ends to tighten knot. Work strands in each st around bottom half of Nose.

Trim ends evenly to desired length. To fluff Beard, carefully comb strands to desired fullness.

Legs

Placing inner edge of each leg at opposite sides of rnd 1, sew each leg across bottom of Body.

Arms

Sew each Arm to side of Body at a slight angle across rnds 24 and 25.

Hat

Place front brim of Hat on top of Nose and angle rem edge down back of Body. Sew in place.

With 5-inch strand of ivy, sew jingle bell to tip of Hat. 

Praying Angels Ornaments

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FINISHING

1: Stiffen Angel with fabric stiffener according to manufacturer's instructions leaving Head unstiffened; squeeze out excess liquid. Place Angel over Styrofoam cone covered with plastic wrap; shape and let dry completely.

2: Stiffen Wings with fabric stiffener according to manufacturer's instructions, squeeze out excess liquid. Place on flat surface covered with plastic wrap. Shape and let dry completely.

3: Center and glue Wings on back of Angel's Gown.

4: Glue one end on each Arm over rnds 12 and 13 at each side of Gown; glue ½ inch at other end of Arms together in a praying position at center front (*see photo*).

5: Glue stem on Halo to center back of Head.

PINEAPPLE ANGEL

HEAD & GOWN

Rnd 1: Starting at top of Head, ch 2, 8 sc in 2nd ch from hook, join with sl st in first sc. (8 sc made)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around, join. (16)

Rnd 3: Ch 1, sc in each of first 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, (sc in each of next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st) around, join. (20)

Rnds 4–7: Ch 1, sc in each st around, join.

Rnd 8: Ch 1, sc in each of first 3 sts, sc next 2 sts tog, (sc in each of next 3 sts, sc next 2 sts tog) around, join. (16)

Rnd 9: Ch 1, sc first 2 sts tog, (sc next 2 sts tog) around, join. Stuff. (8)

Rnd 10: Ch 1, sc in first st, 2 sc in next st, (sc in next st, 2 sc in next st) around, join. (12)

Rnd 11: For Neck, ch 3 (*counts as first dc*), dc in each st around, join with sl st in top of ch-3.

Rnd 12: For Gown, ch 3, 2 dc in next st, (dc in next st, 2 dc in next st) around, join. (18 dc)

Rnd 13: Ch 3, dc in next st, 2 dc in next st, (dc in each of next 2 sts, 2 dc in next st) around, join. (24)

Rnd 14: Ch 3, dc in each st around, join.

Rnd 15: Ch 3, dc in each of next 2 sts, 2 dc in next st, (dc in each of next 3 sts, 2 dc in next st) around, join. (30)

Rnd 16: (Ch 3, dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in first st (*shell made*), sk next 2 sts, (shell in next st, sk next 2 sts) around, join. (10 shells)

Rnds 17 & 18: Sl st in next st, beg shell in ch sp of first shell, shell in ch sp of each shell around, join with sl st in top of ch-3.

Rnd 19: (Ch 4, dc) in first st (*V-st made*), sk next st, 6 sc in next ch-2 sp (*base of pineapple made*), sk next st, V-st in next st, ch 1, sk next 2 sts, sc in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, sk next 2 sts, *V-st in next st, sk next st, 6 sc in next ch-2 sp (*base of pineapple made*), sk next st, V-st in next st, ch 1, sk next 2 sts, sc in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, sk next 2 sts; rep from * around, join with sl st in third ch of ch-4. (10 V-sts, 35 sc)

Rnd 20: Ch 1, sc in ch sp of first V-st, sk next st, (dc in next st, ch 1) 5 times, dc in next st, sc in ch sp of next V-st, sk next 2 ch sps, *sc in ch sp of next V-st, sk next st, (dc in next st, ch 1) 5 times, dc in next st, sc in ch sp of next V-st, sk next 2 ch sps; rep from * around, join with sl st in first sc. (25 ch-1 sps, 10 sc)

Rnd 21: Ch 1, sc in first st, sk next st, (sc in next ch-1 sp, ch 3) 4 times, sc in next ch-1 sp, sk next st, sc in next st; *working across next pineapple, sc in next st, sk next st, (sc in next ch sp, ch 3) 4 times, sc in next ch-1 sp, sk next st, sc in next st; rep from * around, join, **turn**, sl st in last sc made, **turn**.

Rnd 22: Ch 6, sk next 2 sts, sc in next ch-3 sp, (ch 3, sc in next ch-3 sp) 3 times, ch 3, sk next st, *dc in next st, ch 3, sk next 2 sts, sc in next ch-3 sp, (ch 3, sc in next ch-3 sp) 3 times, ch 3, sk next st; rep from * around, join with sl st in third ch of ch-6.

Rnd 23: (Ch 4, dc) in first st (*V-st made*), ch 3, sk next ch-3 sp, sc in next ch-3 sp, (ch 3, sc in next ch-3 sp) 2 times, ch 3, sk next ch-3 sp, *V-st in next st, ch 3, sk next ch-3 sp, sc in next ch-3 sp, (ch 3, sc in next ch-3 sp) 2 times, ch 3, sk next ch-3 sp; rep from * around, join with sl st in third ch of ch-4.

Rnd 24: (Sl st, ch 4, dc, ch 3, dc, ch 1, dc) in ch sp of first V-st, ch 3, sk next ch-3 sp, (sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 3) 2 times, sk next ch-3 sp, *(V-st, ch 3, V-st) in ch sp of next V-st, ch 3, sk next ch-3 sp, (sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 3) 2 times, sk next ch-3 sp; rep from * around, join.

Rnd 25: Beg V-st in ch sp of first V-st, ch 3, sk next ch-3 sp, V-st in ch sp of next V-st, ch 3, sk next ch-3 sp, sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 3, sk next ch-3 sp, *(V-st in ch sp of next V-st, ch 3, sk next ch-3 sp) 2 times, sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 3, sk next ch-3 sp; rep from * around, join.

Rnd 26: Beg V-st in ch sp of first V-st, ch 3, sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 3, V-st in ch sp of next V-st, sk next 2 ch-3 sps, (V-st in ch sp of next V-st, ch 3, sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 3, V-st in ch sp of next V-st, sk next 2 ch-3 sps) around, join.

Rnd 27: Working in ch-3 sps and in ch sp of V-st, ch 1, sc in first ch sp, ch 3, (sc in next ch sp, ch 3) around, join with sl st in first sc.

Rnd 28: Beg shell, shell in each ch sp around, join with sl st in top of ch-3.

Rnd 29: Sl st in next st, ch 1, (sc, ch 2, sc) in ch sp of first shell, ch 2, *(sc, ch 3, sc) in ch sp of next shell, ch 2; rep from * around, join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off.

WING

Make 2.

Row 1: Ch 4, sl st in first ch to form ring, ch 3, (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in ring, ch 2, 9 dc in ring, ch 2, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in ring, turn. (18 dc, 4 ch sps made)

Row 2: Sl st in each of first 2 sts, beg shell in first ch sp, ch 2, sk next 2 sts and next ch sp, (dc in next st, ch 1) 8 times, dc in next st, ch 2, sk next ch sp and next

2 sts, shell in last ch sp, turn. (2 shells, 10 ch sps)

Row 3: Sl st in each of first 2 sts, beg shell in ch sp of first shell, ch 3, sk next ch-2 sp, (sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 3) 8 times, sk next ch-2 sp, shell in ch sp of last shell, turn.

Rows 4–9: Sl st in each of first 2 sts, beg shell in ch sp of first shell, ch 3, sk next ch-3 sp, (sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 3) across to last ch-3 sp, sk next ch-3 sp, shell in ch sp of last shell, turn.

Row 10: Sl st in each of first 2 sts, beg shell in ch sp of first shell, ch 3, sk next ch-3 sp, ch 3, sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 3, sk next ch-3 sp, shell in ch sp of last shell, turn.

Row 11: Sl st in each of first 2 sts, beg shell in ch sp of first shell, sk next 2 ch-3 sps, shell in ch sp of last shell, turn.

Row 12: Sl st in each of first 2 sts, sl st in ch sp of first shell, ch 3, yo, insert hook in same ch sp, yo, pull

through ch sp, yo, pull through 2 lps on hook, yo, insert hook in last ch sp, yo, pull through ch sp, yo, pull through 2 lps on hook, yo, insert hook in same ch sp, yo, pull through ch sp, yo, pull through 2 lps on hook, yo, pull through all 4 lps on hook. Fasten off.

ARM

Make 2.

Ch 20, dc in third ch from hook, dc in each ch across. Fasten off.

HALO

Forming a $\frac{3}{4}$ inch diameter loop, using a 4 inch floral wire, work same as Shell Angel's Halo on page 31.

FINISHING

Work same as Shell Angel's Finishing on page 84. 

Merry Stocking

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Square 3: Off-white, dark green and red.

Square 4: Red, dark green and off-white.

STOCKING

LEG

Rnd 1 (RS): Beg at top of Stocking with variegated, ch 48, join (see Pattern Notes) in first ch to form a ring, ch 1, sc in each ch around, join in beg sc. (48 sc)

Rnd 2: Ch 3 (see Pattern Notes), dc in each of next 2 sc, ch 1, sk next sc, [dc in each of next 3 sc, ch 1, sk next sc] 11 times, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (12 shells, 12 ch-1 sps)

Rnd 3: Sl st in next 2 dc, sl st in next ch-1 sp, **beg shell** (see

Special Stitches) in same ch-1 sp, [shell (see *Special Stitches*) in next ch-1 sp, ch 1] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (12 shells)

Rnds 4–20: Rep rnd 3. At the end of rnd 20, fasten off.

HEEL

Row 1: Join red in first dc of shell, ch 1, sc in each of next 3 dc, [sk next ch-1 sp, sc in each of next 3 dc] 6 times, turn. (21 sc)

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in each of next 14 sc, leaving rem sts unworked, turn. (14 sc)

Row 3: Ch 1, sc in each of next 7 sc, leaving rem sts unworked, turn. (7 sc)

Row 4: Ch 1, sc in each of next 7 sc, sc in next unworked st of row 1 of Heel, turn. (8 sc)

Row 5: Ch 1, sc in each of next 8 sc, sc in next unworked sc of row 2 of Heel, turn. (9 sc)

Row 6: Ch 1, sc in each sc across previous row, sc in next unworked sc of row 1 of Heel, turn. (10 sc)

Rep rows 5 and 6 until all Heel sts of rows 1 and 2 are worked. Fasten off. (21 sc)

FOOT

Rnd 1 (RS): Join variegated in first ch-1 sp after Heel, beg shell in same ch-1 sp, ch 1, [shell in next ch-1 sp, ch 1] 5 times, *sk next sc of Heel, dc in each of next 3 sc of Heel, ch 1, rep from * 4 times, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (11 shells)

Rnd 2: Sl st in each of next 2 dc, sl st in next ch-1 sp, beg shell in same ch-1 sp, ch 1, [shell in next ch-1 sp, ch 1] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (11 shells)

Rnds 3–10: Rep rnd 2. At the end of rnd 10, fasten off.

TOE

Rnd 1: Join red in first dc of any shell, ch 1, sc in same dc as beg ch-1, sc in each of next 2 dc, sk next ch-1 sp, [sc in each of next 3 dc, sk next ch-1 sp] around, join in beg sc. (33 sc)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, [sc in each of next 9 sc, **sc dec** (see *Stitch Guide*) in next 2 sc] 3 times, join in beg sc. (30 sc)

Rnd 3: Ch 1, [sc in each of next 4 sc, sc dec in next 2 sc] 5 times, join in beg sc. (25 sc)

Rnd 4: Ch 1, [sc in each of next 3 sc, sc dec in next 2 sc] 5 times, join in beg sc. (20 sc)

Rnd 5: Ch 1, [sc in each of next 3 sc, sc dec in next 2 sc] 4 times, join in beg sc. (16 sc)

Rnd 6: Ch 1, [sc in each of next 2 sc, sc dec in next 2 sc] 4 times, join in beg sc. (12 sc)

Rnd 7: Ch 1, [sc dec in next 2 sc] 6 times, join in beg sc, leaving 12-inch length of yarn, fasten off. (6 sc)

CUFF

Square

Make 4 referring to Color Sequence.

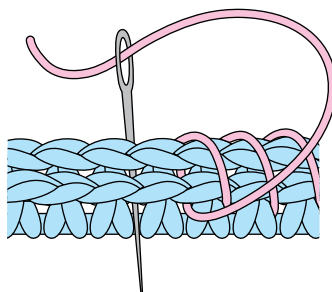
Rnd 1 (RS): With first color, ch 4, join to form a ring, beg shell in

ring, ch 2, (shell in ring, ch 2) 3 times, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (4 shells, 4 ch-2 sps)

Rnd 2 (RS): Join next color in any ch-2 sp, (beg shell, ch 2, shell) in same ch-2 sp, ch 1, **corner shell** (see *Special Stitches*) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1] 3 times, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (8 shells, 4 ch-2 sps, 4 ch-1 sps)

Rnd 3: Join next color in any ch-2 corner sp, (beg shell, ch 2, shell) in same ch-2 sp, ch 1, shell in next ch-1 sp, ch 1, [corner shell in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, shell in next ch-1 sp, ch 1] 3 times, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (12 shells, 4 ch-2 sps, 8 ch-1 sps)

Thread yarn needle with length of yarn, **whipstitch edges** (see *illustration*) of Squares tog into a 4-Square strip. Whipstitch ends of first and 4th Squares tog to form a circle.



Whipstitch Edges

Top Trim

Rnd 1 (RS): Align seam between Squares 1 and 4 with center back of Leg in line with Heel, holding WS of Cuff tog with RS of Leg and working through both thicknesses, join variegated in top edge of Cuff seam, ch 1, work 12 sc across each Square, join in beg sc. Fasten off. (48 sc)

Rnd 2: Join off-white with sl st in first sc of rnd 1, ch 3, sl st in 2nd ch from hook, sk next sc, [sl st in next sc, ch 3, sl st in 2nd ch from hook, sk next sc] around, join in beg sl st, ch 15 (for hanging lp), sl st in beg sl st. Fasten off.

Bottom Trim

Rnd 1 (RS): Join variegated at side seam, ch 1, work 12 sc across each Square, join in beg sc. Fasten off. (48 sc)

Rnd 2: Join off-white with sl st in first sc of rnd 1, ch 3, sl st in 2nd ch from hook, sk next sc, [sl st in next sc, ch 3, sl st in 2nd ch from hook, sk next sc] around, join in beg sl st. Fasten off. **CW**

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beg 2-tr cl, [ch 3, dc in 3rd ch from hook] 4 times, sl st in next 2-tr cl, rep from * around, working last sl st in beg 2-tr cl. Fasten off.

SNOWFLAKE 3

Ch 6, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*) in 6th ch from hook to form ring.

Rnd 1: Ch 3 (see *Pattern Notes*), 11 dc in ring, join in top of beg ch-3. (12 dc)

Rnd 2: (Ch 11, inserting hook under **front lp and back bar of chs** (see *illustration on page 36*), sl st in 7th ch from hook, ch 4, sl st) in first dc, [sc in next dc*, (sl st, ch 11, inserting hook under front lp and back bar of ch, sl st in 7th ch from hook, ch 4, sl st) in next dc] around, ending last rep at *, join in beg dc of rnd 1. (6 ch-6 sps, 6 sc)

Rnd 3: [Ch 6, 3 sc in next ch-6 sp, ch 6, sl st in next sc] around. (18 sc)

Rnd 4: Sl st in first 6 chs, sc in first sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc, [ch 7, sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc] around, ch 7, join in beg sc. (24 sc, 6 ch-7 sps)

Rnd 5: Ch 1, sc in first 4 sts, (3 sc, 2 hdc, 3 sc) in next ch-7 sp, [sc in next 4 sts, (3 sc, 2 hdc, 3 sc) in next ch-7 sp] around, join in beg sc. (72 sts)

Rnd 6: Ch 1, sc in first 6 sts, [hdc in next st, dc in next st, ch 2, dc in next st, hdc in next st*, sc in next 8 sts, sc in next 8 sts] around, ending last rep at *, sc in last 2 sts, join in beg sc. (48 sc, 12 hdc, 12 dc, 6 ch-2 sps)

Rnd 7: Ch 1, sc in first st, [ch 3, sk next 2 sts, sc in next st] 2 times, *hdc in next st, (2 dc, ch 10, sl st in 10th ch from hook, 2 dc) in next ch-2 sp, hdc in next st, sc in next st**, [ch 3, sk next 2 sts, sc in next st] 3 times, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, ch 3, sk next 2 sts, join in beg sc. Fasten off. (24 sc, 18 ch-3 sps, 6 ch-9 sps)

FINISHING

For either blocking method, cover blocking surface with aluminum foil. Allow piece to dry completely before removing pins. Rep blocking method if desired stiffness is not achieved.

Blocking with Glue

Thoroughly soak Snowflake in 2 tsps. of white glue mixed in a small bowl of water, squeeze out excess. Place Snowflake on blocking square, carefully pin out ch sps and picots to open design.

Blocking with Spray Starch

Place dry Snowflake on foil and pin in place, pulling out and pinning ch sps and picots to open design. Saturate with spray starch. After fiber absorbs starch, spray again.

Hanging Loop

Tie strands of crochet cotton where desired for hanging lp. 

Snowman Towel Topper

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HAT

Row 1: Starting at bottom of Hat with green, ch 14, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (13 sc)

Rows 2–6: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.

Row 7: Ch 1, sk first st, sc dec in next 2 sc, sc in each of next 7 sc, sk next st, sc dec in next 2 sc. Fasten off. (9 sc)

Hatband

Row 1: Working in opposite side of foundation ch of row 1 of Hat, join red thread with sl st in first ch, ch 1, hdc in each st across. Fasten off. (13 hdc)

Brim

Row 2: With WS facing, join green with sl st in Hat Band, ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, [sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] 6 times, turn. (20 sc)

Row 3: Ch 1, hdc in each st across, do not turn.

Rnd 4: Now working in rnds around outside of Hat and Brim, work 9 sc up side of Hat, working across top (row 7), 2 sc in first st, sc in each of next 7 sts, 2 sc in last st, work 9 sc down other side of Hat, across Brim work 2 sc in first st, sc in each of next 18 sts, 2 sc in last st, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*) in beg sc. Leaving 16-inch length, fasten off. (51 sc)

Position Hat over top edge of Head, sewing along sides and top of Hat, stuffing lightly with fiberfill, sew to Head just below the Hatband. Do not sew edge of Brim.

FIRST HALF OF SCARF

Row 1: With red thread, ch 4, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each of next 2 chs, turn. (3 sc)

Rows 2–19: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.

Row 20: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, fasten off.

2ND HALF OF SCARF

Rows 1–13: Rep rows 1–13 of First Half of Scarf.

Row 14: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, fasten off.

Sew row 1 of First Half of Scarf to side of neckline on right edge of Snowman and 2nd Half of Scarf to side of neckline on left edge of Snowman.

Fringe

Cut 12 lengths of red thread each 3 inches long. *Fold 2 strands in half, insert hook in sc at end of Scarf, draw strands through at fold to form a lp on hook, draw cut ends through lp on hook, pull gently to secure, rep from * in each sc on each end of Scarf. Trim ends even.

BUTTON

Sew red button to row 16 on back side of Background. 

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2 sc in next sc] 10 times, sk next sc, (sc, [ch 1, sc] twice) in next sc**, [sk next sc, 2 sc in next sc] 11 times, sk seam, 2 sc in next st (2nd st of side corner on next Section), rep from * 9 times, ending last rep at **, [sk next sc, 2 sc in next sc] 10 times, sk next sc, sc in next sc, fasten off. (468 sc, 20 ch-1 sps)

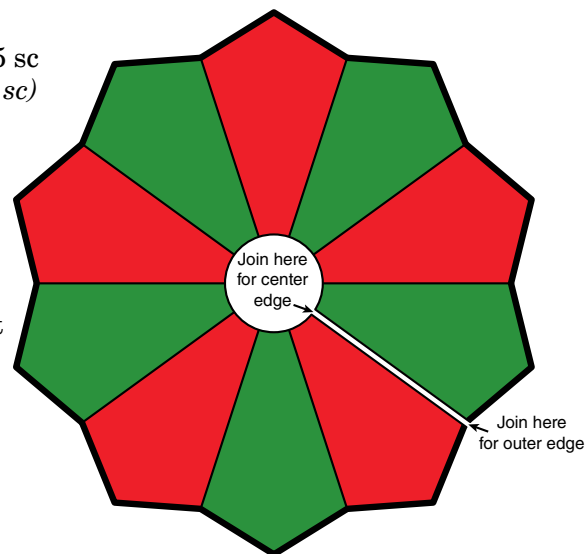
Center Edging

Row 1 (RS): With RS facing, sc join white in corner st of first Section (see Assembly Diagram),

sc in each st across, working 5 sc across each Section, turn. (50 sc)

Row 2: Ch 3 (counts as hdc, ch 1), sk first 2 sts, *hdc in next st**, ch 1, sk next st, **hdc dec** (see *Stitch Guide*) in next 2 sts, ch 1, sk next st, rep from * across, ending last rep at **, sk next st, dc in last st (counts as last ch 1 and hdc), turn. (9 hdc dec, 12 hdc, 20 ch-1 sps)

Row 3: Ch 1, sk first st, sc in sp before next st, [2 sc in next sp, sk next st] 18 times, sc in last sp, fasten off. (38 sc) **CW**



Snowflake Tree Skirt
Assembly Diagram

Poinsettias & Holly Doily

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JOINING POINSETTIA MOTIFS

First Motif

With RS facing, join red with (sc, ch 1) in any picot of rnd 5 of Poinsettia Motif, sl st in ch-3 sp at tip of Holly Leaf, working on Poinsettia Motif, ch 1, sc in same picot as beg sc, ch 3, (sc, ch 3) in each of next 2 ch-3 sps, *(sc, picot, sc) in next V-st, ch 3, (sc, ch 3) in each of the next 2 ch-3 sps, rep from * around, join in beg sc. Fasten off.

Motifs 2-8

With RS facing, join red with (sc, ch 1) in any picot of rnd 5 of Poinsettia Motif, sl st in ch-3 sp at tip of next unworked Holly Leaf, ch 1, working on Poinsettia Motif, ch 1, sc in same picot as beg sc, ch 3, (sc, ch 3) in each of the next 2 ch-3 sps, (sc, picot, sc) in next V-st, ch 3, (sc, ch 3) in each of the next 2 ch-3 sps,

A. (sc, ch 1) in next picot, sk next picot (worked in a V-st) from

joining to Holly Leaf on previous Poinsettia Motif and sl st in next picot, ch 1, sc in same picot on working Poinsettia Motif, ch 3, (sc, ch 3) in each of next 2 ch-3 sps, (sc, picot, sc) in next V-st, ch 3, (sc, ch 3) in each of next 2 ch-3 sps;

B. *(sc, picot, sc) in next picot, ch 3, (sc, ch 3) in each of next 2 ch-3 sps, (sc, picot, sc) in next V-st, ch 3, (sc, ch 3) in each of the next 2 ch-3 sps, rep from * around, join in beg sc. Fasten off.

Motif 9

With RS facing, join red with (sc, ch 1) in any picot of rnd 5 of Poinsettia Motif, sl st in ch-3 sp at tip of next unworked Holly Leaf, ch 1, working on Poinsettia Motif, ch 1, sc in same picot as beg sc, ch 3, (sc, ch 3) in each of the next 2 ch-3 sps, (sc, picot, sc) in next V-st, ch 3, (sc, ch 3) in each of the next 2 ch-3 sps,

A. (sc, ch 1) in next picot, sk next picot (worked in a V-st) from joining to Holly Leaf on previous Poinsettia Motif and sl st in next picot, ch 1, sc in same picot on

working Poinsettia Motif, ch 3, (sc, ch 3) in each of next 2 ch-3 sps, (sc, picot, sc) in next V-st, ch 3, (sc, ch 3) in each of next 2 ch-3 sps;

B. [(sc, picot, sc) in next picot, ch 3, (sc, ch 3) in each of next 2 ch-3 sps (sc, picot, sc) in next V-st, ch 3, (sc, ch 3) in each of the next 2 ch-3 sps] twice;

C. sc, ch 1, in next picot, sl st in adjacent picot of first Poinsettia Motif joined to Doily, ch 1, sc in same picot of working Poinsettia Motif, ch 3, (sc, ch 3) in each of next 2 ch-3 sps;

D. (sc, picot, sc) in next V-st, ch 3, (sc, ch 3) in each of next 2 ch-3 sps, join in beg sc. Fasten off.

FINISHING

Using photo as a guide, with sewing needle and thread, sew 3 bead groups between petals of center Poinsettia Motif. **CW**

Christmas Star Blanket

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Rnd 5: Join B in any center tr, ch 1, *(sc, ch 2, sc) in center tr, sc in next tr, hdc in next dc, dc in next dc, **bpdc** (see *Stitch Guide*) around next sc (*point of star*), dc in next dc, hdc in each of next 2 sts, sc in next tr, hdc in each of next 2 sts, dc in next dc, bpdc around next sc, dc in next dc, hdc in next dc, sc in next tr; rep from * 3 times, join in first sc. Fasten off. (24 dc, 24 hdc, 20 sc, 4 ch-2 sps)

Rnd 6: Join A in any corner ch-2 sp, ***beg shell** (see *Special Stitches*) in same sp as join, *dc in each of next 4 sts, **fpdc** (see *Stitch Guide*) around next bpdc, dc in each of next 2 sts, hdc in next hdc, sc in next sc, hdc in next hdc, dc in each of next 2 sts, fpdc around next bpdc, dc in each of next 4 sts**, **shell** (see *Special Stitches*) in next ch-2 sp; rep from * 3 times, ending last rep at **, join in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (4 shells, 56 dc, 8 hdc, 4 sc)

Rnd 7: Join B in any corner ch-2 sp, beg shell in same ch-2 sp as

join, *dc in each of next 6 sts, fpdc around next fpdc, dc in next dc, hdc in each of next 2 sts, sc in next sc, hdc in each of next 2 sts, dc in next dc, fpdc around next fpdc, dc in each of next 6 sts**, shell in next ch-2 sp; rep from * 3 times, ending last rep at **, join in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off. (4 shells, 64 dc, 16 hdc, 4 sc)

JOINING SQUARES

Block each Square to about 6¼ inches.

Lay your Squares out in 7 rows of 6 Squares each and join them in strips as follows.

Horizontal Rows

Hold first Square of row 1 and first Square of row 2 tog with WS facing in. Alternate working in each of these 2 Squares.

Square 1: Join C in corner ch-2 sp, sc in same sp as join, ch 1,

Square 2: Bfsc (see *Special Stitches*) in corner ch-2 sp, ch 1,

Square 1: Sc in first dc, ch 1,

Square 2: Bfsc in first dc, ch 1,

*[**Square 1:** Sk 1 dc, sc in next dc, ch 1,

Square 2: Sk 1 dc, bfsc in next dc, ch 1] 3 times,

Squares 1 & 2: Sk next dc, **fpdc2tog** (see *Special Stitches*) over both of next fpdc, ch 1, rep from * once.

[**Square 1:** Sk 1 dc, sc in next dc, ch 1,

Square 2: Sk 1 dc, bfsc in next dc, ch 1] 4 times,

Square 1: Sc in next ch-2 corner, ch 1,

Square 2: Bfsc in next ch-2 corner, ch 1.

Do not fasten off, join rem 5 pairs of squares in the same manner.

Rep for rows 3–7.

Vertical Rows

Work same as horizontal rows, adding 2 chs at end of sequence before joining next pair of squares.

BORDER

Rnd 1: Join C in any corner ch-2 sp of blanket, beg shell in same sp as join, *dc in each of next 25 sts, [2 dc in next ch-2 sp, dc in joining seam, 2 dc in next ch-2 sp, dc in each of next 25 sts] across to next blanket corner ch-2 sp**, shell in corner sp; rep from * 3 times, ending last rep at **, join in top of beg ch-3. (4 shells, 760 dc)

Rnd 2: Join B in any corner ch-2 sp, *[**puff st** (see *Special Stitches*), ch 3, puff st] in corner ch-2 sp, ch 3, sk 2 dc, [puff st in next dc, ch 3, sk 2 dc] across to next corner ch-2 sp; rep from * 3 times, join in beg puff st. (264 puff sts, 264 ch-3 sps)

Rnd 3: Sl st in next ch-3 sp, ***dbl-puff st** (see *Special Stitches*) twice in corner ch-3 sp, dbl-puff st in each ch-3 sp to corner ch-3 sp; rep from * around, join in first puff st. (268 dbl-puff sts) 



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ch-2 sp, [2 dc in next dc, dc in next dc, fpdc around next dc, dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc, ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (30 dc, 6 fpdc, 6 ch-2 sps)

Rnd 4: Ch 3, dc in same dc, dc in each of next 2 dc, fpdc around next dc, dc in each of next 2 dc, 2 dc in next dc, ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, [2 dc in next dc, dc in each of next 2 dc, fpdc around next dc, dc in each of next 2 dc, 2 dc in next dc, ch 2, sk next ch sp] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (48 dc, 6 fpdc, 6 ch-2 sps)

Rnd 5: Ch 3, dc in each of next 3 dc, fpdc around next dc, dc in each of next 4 dc, ch 3, sk next ch-2 sp, [dc in each of next 4 dc, fpdc around next dc, dc in each of next 4 dc, ch 3, sk next ch-2 sp] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (48 dc, 6 fpdc, 6 ch-3 sps)

Rnd 6: Beg dc dec (see *Special Stitches*), dc in each of next 2 dc, fpdc around next dc, dc in each of next 2 dc, **dc dec** (see *Stitch Guide*) in next 2 dc, ch 4, sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 4, [dc dec in next 2 dc,

dc in each of next 2 dc, fpdc around next dc, dc in each of next 2 dc, dc dec in next 2 dc, ch 4, sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 4] around, join in first dc dec. (24 dc, 6 sc, 12 ch-4 sps)

Rnd 7: Ch 1, sc in same dc as beg ch-1, sk next 2 dc, (4 dc, **picot**—see *Special Stitches*, 4 dc) in fpdc, sk next 2 dc, sc in next dc, ch 4, sc in next ch-4 sp, ch 2, with RS of Tree facing, sl st in ch-3 sp of row 1 of Tree, ch 2, sc in next ch-4 sp, ch 4, [sc in next dc, sk next 2 dc, (4 dc, picot, 4 dc) in fpdc, sk next 2 dc, sc in next dc, ch 4, sc in next ch-4 sp, ch 2, with RS of Tree facing, sl st in ch-3 sp of row 1 of Tree, ch 2, sc in next ch-4 sp, ch 4] around, join in beg sc. Fasten off. (48 dc, 6 picots, 12 sc, 12 ch-4 sps)

TRIM

Rnd 1: Join white with sc in first ch-2 sp of row 15 of Tree, [ch 8, sc in next ch-2 sp] 7 times, ch 16, *[sc in next ch-2 sp, ch 8] 7 times, sc in next ch-2 sp, ch 16, rep from * around, join in beg sc. (48 sc, 42 ch-8 sps, 6 ch-16 sps)

Rnd 2: Sl st to center of next ch-8 sp, ch 1, sc in same ch-8 sp, ch 8, [sc in next ch-8 sp, ch 8] 6 times, sk next 4 chs, sc in 5th ch of ch-16,

ch 8, sk next 6 chs, sc in next ch, ch 8, sk last 4 chs, *[sc in next ch-8 sp, ch 8] 7 times, sk next 4 chs, sc in 5th ch of ch-16, ch 8, sk next 6 chs, sc in next ch, ch 8, sk last 4 chs, rep from * around, join in beg sc. (54 sc, 54 ch-8 sps)

Rnd 3: Sl st to center of next ch-8 sp, ch 1, sc in same ch sp, ch 4, dc in 4th ch from hook forming lp, ch 3, 6 dc in lp just made, sc in same ch-8 lp, ch 5, *sc in next ch-8 lp, ch 4, dc in 4th ch from hook forming a lp, ch 3, 6 dc in lp just made, sc in same ch-8 sp**, ch 5, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, ch 2, tr in beg sc forming last ch-5 sp. (108 sc, 54 lps, 432 dc, 54 ch-5 sps)

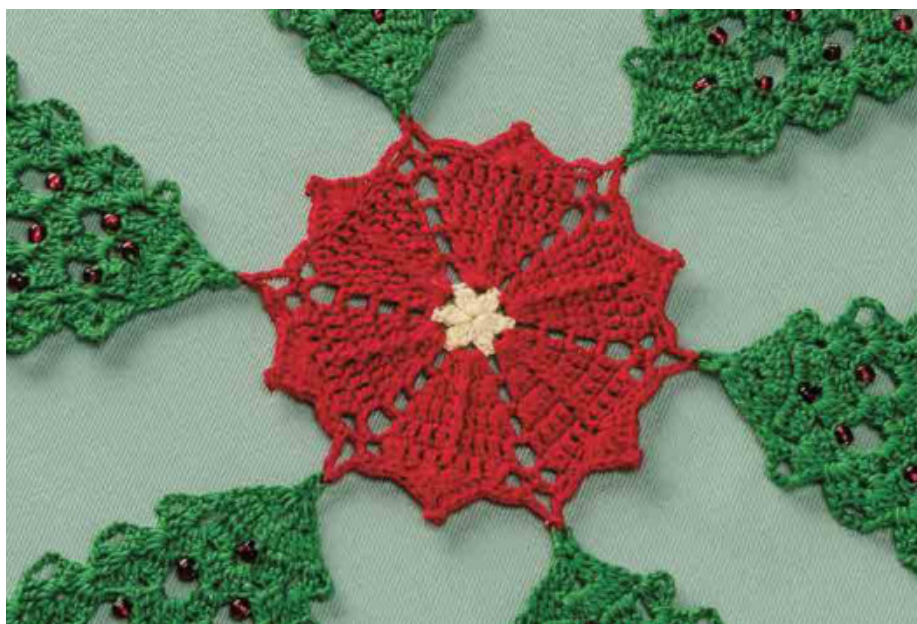
Rnd 4: Ch 1, sc in same sp, ch 3, *sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3, ch 4, (dc, ch 1) twice in same sp, (dc, ch 1) in next dc, (dc, ch 1) twice in next 2 dc, (dc, ch 1) in each of next 3 dc, dc in next dc, sc in next ch-5 sp, ch 3, rep from * around, join in beg sc. (648 dc, 594 ch-1 sps, 54 sc, 54 ch-3 sps)

Rnd 5: Ch 9 sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-9, ch 5, sl st in 3rd ch from hook for picot, (dc, picot) in next ch-1 sp, [dc, picot in next ch-1 sp] 6 times, [dc, picot in next ch-1 sp] 4 times, dc in next ch-1 sp, sl st in next sc, *ch 3, sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-4, ch 5, sl st in 3rd ch from hook for picot, (dc, picot) in next ch-1 sp, [dc, picot in next ch-1 sp] 6 times, [dc, picot in next ch-1 sp] 4 times, dc in next ch-1 sp, sl st in next sc, rep from * around. Fasten off. (54 ch-3 sps, 1026 dc, 972 picots)

FINISHING

Using photo as a guide, thread tapestry needle with length of green, sew beads in each row of each Tree as follows: row 4, sew 1 bead in opening; row 5, 2 beads; row 7, 3 beads; row 9, 4 beads; row 11, 5 beads; and row 13, 6 beads.

Pin Doily to pinning board and starch as desired. **CW**



Polar Bear Ornament

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Pull up a lp as if fastening off, drop from hook, insert hook from back to front in st just worked, pick up lp and pull from front to back of work.

Left Ear

With strand in back, sk next 5 sts, enlarge lp to width across sk sts, insert hook from front to back in next st and pull up a lp to front, ch 1, (3 sc, ch 1, sl st) in same st. Rep between * of Right Ear, fasten off.

Arms

Sk next 5 sts, place marker on next st at bottom of Head.

Row 1 (RS): Ch 5, with RS facing and working in **back lps** (see *Stitch Guide*), join in marked st, sl st in next 2 sts, ch 7, turn. (12 chs, 3 sl sts)

Row 2: Working in **front lps** (see *Stitch Guide*) of foundation ch and sl sts, **dc dec** (see *Stitch Guide*) in 3rd and 4th chs from hook (beg 2 sk chs do not count as a st), hdc in next st, **hdc dec** (see *Stitch Guide*) in next 2 chs, hdc in next sl st, hdc inc in next sl st, hdc in next st, hdc dec in next 2 chs, hdc in next ch, dc dec in last 2 chs, sl st in side of dc just made, sl st in last ch worked. Cut yarn. (10 sts)

Body

Row 3: With RS facing, join yarn in 4th st, ch 1, hdc inc in same st, hdc in next 2 sts, hdc inc in next st, leave rem sts unworked, turn. (6 sts)

Row 4: Ch 1, hdc inc in first st, hdc in next 4 sts, hdc inc in last st, ch 1, sl st in last st worked. Cut yarn. (8 sts)

Legs

Row 1: Ch 4, with RS facing and working in back lps only, join yarn in first st, sl st in next 7 sts, ch 6, turn. (10 chs, 8 sl sts)

Row 2: Working in front lps of foundation ch and sl sts, dc dec in 3rd and 4th chs from hook, hdc dec in next 2 chs, [sc dec in next 2 sts] 4 times, hdc dec in next 2 chs, dc dec in next 2 chs, sl st in side of last st made, sl st in last st worked. Cut yarn. (8 sts)

Facial Features

Note: Work Facial Features on 1 Head section.

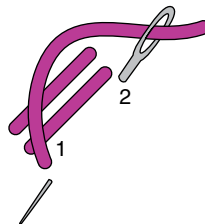
Muzzle

Make a slip ring, ch 1, (2 sc, 2 hdc, 3 sc, 2 hdc, sc) in ring, join with **invisible join** (see *Special Technique*). Do not cut rem tail.

Nose & Mouth

Refer to photo as a guide for placement of pieces.

Holding Muzzle with RS facing and sts at bottom, with black, embroider heart-shaped Nose with **straight stitches** (see *illustration*), working in sps between sts of 3-sc group. Work 1 short straight stitch beneath Nose for Mouth.



Straight Stitch

Position upper edge of Muzzle on center of Head and lower edge above bottom edge of Head, sew in place with end tail.

Eyes

Working in rnd 1 of Head, between sts 4 and 5, then between sts 9 and 10, with black, embroider 2 straight stitches for each Eye above Muzzle.

ASSEMBLY & FINISHING

With WS tog, matching sts and working through both thicknesses,

sl st in each st and in ends of rows around, changing colors as needed to match sections, join in beg sl st.

BAUBLE

Make 2.

Rnd 1: With really red, make a slip ring, ch 1, 10 hdc in ring, join in first hdc, pull beg tail to close ring. (10 hdc)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, hdc inc in each st around, join in first hdc. (20 hdc)

Rnd 3: Ch 1, hdc in first st, hdc inc in next st, [hdc in next st, hdc inc in next st] 9 times, join in first hdc. (30 hdc)

Rnd 4: Ch 1, sc in first st, **sc inc** (see *Special Stitches*) in next st, [sc in next 2 sts, sc inc in next st] 9 times, sc in last st, join in first sc with invisible join. Leave very long end tail on 1 Bauble for seaming. (40 sc)

MISTLETOE

With spruce, make a slip ring, [ch 7, dc in 3rd ch from hook, hdc in next ch, sc in next 2 chs, sl st] twice, fasten off, leaving a long tail.

ASSEMBLY & FINISHING

Refer to photo as a guide for placement of pieces.

Thread Mistletoe tail on tapestry needle, thread first bead, secure on first leaf, thread next bead, secure on 2nd leaf, thread through last bead and secure between beads. Sew Mistletoe to RS of 1 Bauble, covering joins of each rnd and close to edge.

Bring long end tail to edge of Bauble. With WS held tog and working through both thicknesses with Mistletoe facing, sl st in each st around.

Place Bauble on Bear, exposing tips of Arms and 1 Leg, pin in place. Sew tips of Arms to edge of Bauble. Sew lp of metallic pearl cotton above Mistletoe, at right side of face. **CW**

Merry Mosaic Afghan

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TREE & BRANCH SECTION

Rows 1–32: Beg with light greenhouse and alternating with winter white, refer to **Chart B** and work in established pattern.

SMALL BOXES SECTION

Rep rows 1–4 of Small Boxes Section.

SMALL TREES SECTION

Rows 1–96: Beg with light greenhouse and alternating with winter white, refer to **Charts C and D** and **Tree Placement Diagram** (see *Pattern Notes*) and work in established pattern.

SMALL BOXES SECTION

Rep rows 1–4 of Small Boxes Section.

TREE & BRANCH SECTION

Rep rows 1–32 of Tree & Branch Section.

SMALL BOXES SECTION

Rep rows 1–4 of Small Boxes Section.

CANDY CANE SECTION

Rows 1–32: [Rep rows 1–16] twice of Candy Cane Section.

DOUBLE-SIDED BORDER

Note: All tails will be encased between Borders to eliminate weaving in. Tie tails tog in a knot to secure and trim to 1 inch.

Border 1

Rnd 1: With WS of last row facing, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*) Christmas red around post of 2nd sc, **ch 3** (see *Pattern Notes*), (**fpdc**—see *Stitch Guide*, ch 2, 2 fpdc) around same st (*fp corner made*), *fpdc around 2nd sc of each row across side edge*, **fp corner** (see *Special Stitches*) around 2nd sc of setup row, working in opposite side of foundation ch, dc in unworked front lp of each ch across to last

2 sc, fp corner around next (*2nd to last*) sc, rep between * to last row, corner around 2nd sc of last row, dc in unworked front lp of each st across last row, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

Rnd 2: Ch 3, dc in next dc, **corner** (see *Special Stitches*) in ch-2 sp of next corner, [dc in each dc across* to ch-2 sp of next corner, corner in ch-2 sp] around, ending last rep at *, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off.

Border 2

Rnd 1: With RS of set-up row facing, join Christmas red around post of 2nd sc, ch 3, (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) around same st (*fp corner made*), *dc in base of each fpdc of Border 1 rnd 1, fp corner around same st worked as next fp corner of Border 1 rnd 1*, dc in unworked front lp of each st across last row, fp corner around same st as next fp corner of Border 1 rnd 1, rep between * once, working in opposite side of foundation ch, dc in unworked front lp of each ch across, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

Rnd 2: Rep rnd 2 of Border 1.

Border Join

With RS facing and working through both layers, sc join winter white in any corner ch-2 sp, 2 sc in same sp, *working in back lps (*back lp of dc closest to you and in front lp of corresponding dc farthest from you*), sl st in each dc around, working 3 sc in ch-2 sp of each corner, join in first sc. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

FINISHING

Tassel

Make 4.

With all colors, cut 54 16-inch strands. Holding 50 strands tog, tie 2 strands around center of bundle. Fold strands in half at center tie. Wrap rem 2 strands of yarn

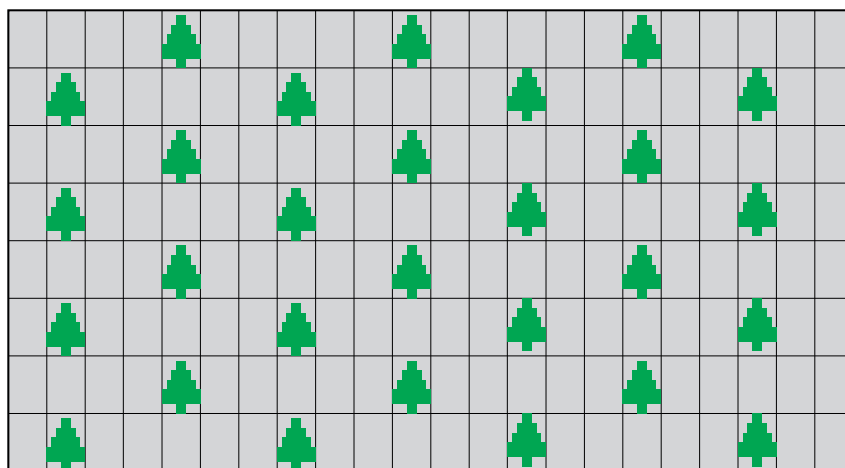


around several times 1½ inches below the fold. Tie securely and, with tapestry needle, pull ends of tie to center of Tassel. Trim bottom of Tassel evenly.

Use center tie to tie Tassel to corner ch-2 sp. **cw**

STITCH KEY

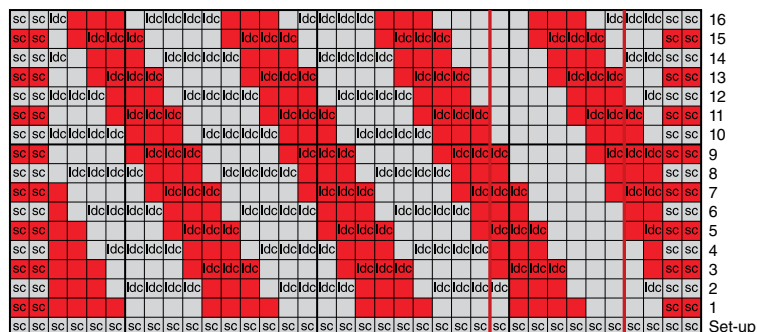
- sc Sc in both lps or beg ch
- Sc in back lp
- ldc Front lp long dc
- Winter white
- Christmas red
- Light greenhouse



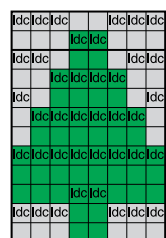
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Tree Placement Diagram

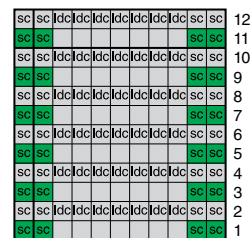
Note: Follow Charts C & D for stitching.
Each block equals 8 sts x 12 rows.



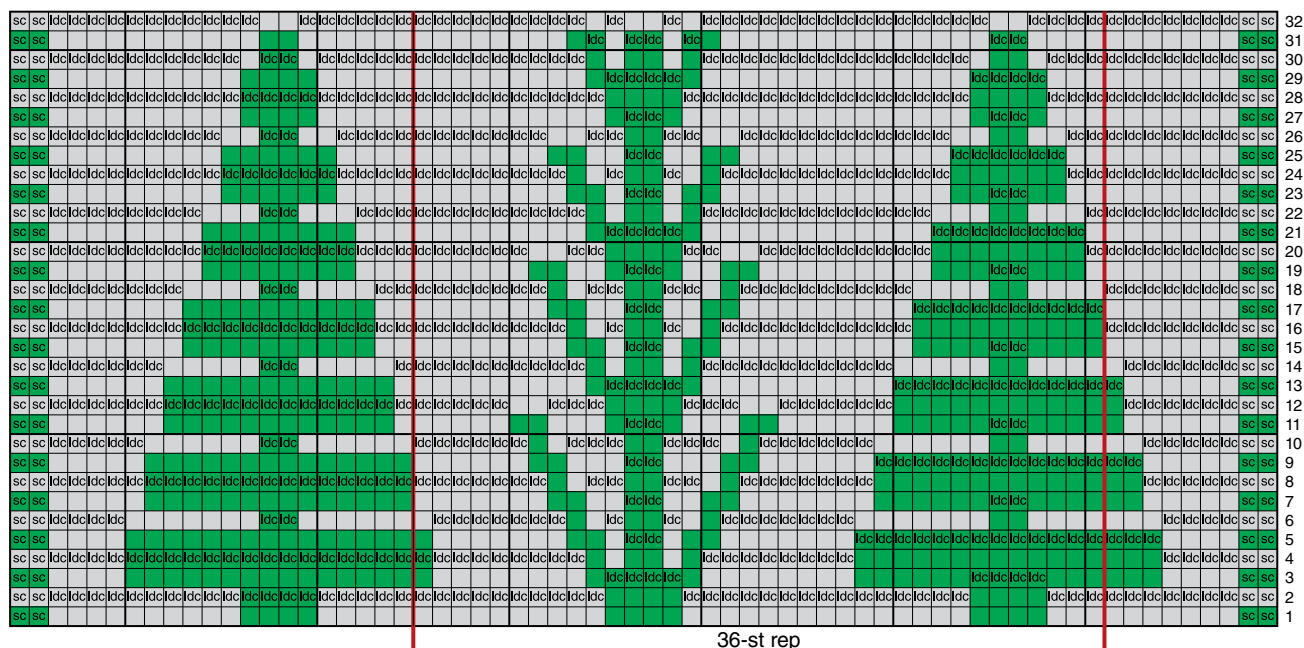
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Chart A



Merry Mosaic Afghan
Chart C



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Chart D



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Chart B

Christmas Evergreen

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Rnds 12 & 13: Sc in each st around. At the end of rnd 13, fasten off.

BASE TREE SECTION

Rnd 1 (RS): With olive, ch 13, 3 sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each ch across to last ch, 3 sc in last ch, working on opposite side of foundation ch, sc in each ch across. (26 sc)

Rnd 2: (2 sc in each of next 3 sc, sc in each of next 10 sc) twice. (32 sc)

Rnd 3: *(2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc) 3 times, sc in each of next 10 sc, rep from * once. (38 sc)

Rnd 4: *(2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 2 sc) 3 times, sc in each of next 10 sc, rep from * once. (44 sc)

Rnd 5: *(2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 3 sc) 3 times, sc in each of next 10 sc, rep from * once. (50 sc)

MIDDLE TREE SECTION

Rnds 1–8: Rep rnds 1–8 of lower tree section. (40 sc)

Rnds 9–11: Sc in each st around. At the end of rnd 11, fasten off.

TOP TREE SECTION

Rnds 1–5: Rep rnds 1–5 of lower tree section. (25 sc)

Rnds 6 & 7: Sc in each st around. At the end of rnd 7, fasten off.

TREE TRUNK

Rnd 1 (RS): With cedar, ch 7, sc in 2nd ch from hook, 3 sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each of next 4 chs, 3 sc in last ch, working on opposite side of foundation ch, sc in each of next 4 chs, place marker. (14 sc)

Rnd 2: *(2 sc in next sc) 3 times, sc in each of next 4 sc, rep from * once. (20 sc)

Rnd 3: *(2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc) 3 times, sc in each of next 4 sc, rep from * once. (26 sc)

Rnd 4: Sc in each st around.

Rnds 5–8: Sc in each sc around. At the end of rnd 8, fasten off.

STAR

Rnd 1 (RS): With snow, ch 2, 5 sc in 2nd ch from hook, do not join, place marker. (5 sc)

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each sc around. (10 sc)

Rnd 3: (2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc) around. (15 sc)

Row 4: Now working in rows, sc in each of next 3 sts, turn. (3 sc)

Row 5: Ch 1, sc dec in next 3 sts, fasten off. (1 sc)

Row 6: Attach snow in next sc of rnd 3, ch 1, sc in same sc as beg ch-1, sc in each of next 2 sc, turn. (3 sc)

Row 7: Ch 1, sc dec in next 3 sts, fasten off. (1 sc)

(Rep rows 6 and 7) 3 times. (5 star points)

Holding star sections tog, sew

around outer edge, stuffing slightly.

FINISHING

Stuff lower tree section and sew the base tree section around the edge. Make sure to stuff enough to have firm and solid piece.

Stuff middle tree section and place it on top of lower tree section and sew the last rnd around on rnds 6 and 7.

Stuff the top tree section and place it on top of middle tree section and sew last rnd around on rnd 4.

Stuff tree trunk and sew it under the lower tree section.

Using photo as a guide, sew star to top of tree and glue to secure if necessary. Attach beads using sewing thread and needle using photo as guide.

For hanging lp, with a length of snow yarn, pass through center top point, knot ends tog. Fasten off. 

Wintry Mix Centerpiece

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over through first ch-6 sp, ch 1, drop lp, draw lp under to over through next ch-6 point, ch 3, and continue in pattern st.

To join snowflake no. 2 to snowflake no. 1, connect at 2 points of end snowflake no. 1.

To join next snowflake to first and 2nd snowflakes, connect as specified to appropriate points of first and 2nd snowflakes.

Keep working in rows across, left to right, until all snowflakes are joined. Weave in loose ends. 



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STITCH ABBREVIATIONS

beg		begin/begins/beginning
bpdc		back post double crochet
bpsc	.....	back post single crochet
bprr	.....	back post treble crochet
CC	.....	contrasting color
ch(s)	.....	chain(s)
ch-	.....	refers to chain or space previously made (i.e., ch-1 space)
ch sp(s)	.....	chain space(s)
cl(s)	.....	cluster(s)
cm	.....	centimeter(s)
dc	.....	double crochet (singular/plural)
dc dec	.....	double crochet 2 or more stitches together, as indicated
dec	.....	decrease/decreases/decreasing
dtr	.....	double treble crochet
ext	.....	extended
fpdc	.....	front post double crochet
fpsc	.....	front post single crochet
fptr	.....	front post treble crochet
g	.....	gram(s)
hdc	.....	half double crochet
hdc dec	.....	half double crochet 2 or more stitches together, as indicated
inc	.....	increase/increases/increasing
lp(s)	.....	loop(s)
MC	.....	main color
mm	.....	millimeter(s)
oz	.....	ounce(s)
pc	.....	popcorn(s)
rem	.....	remain/remains/remaining
rep(s)	.....	repeat(s)
rnd(s)	.....	round(s)
RS	.....	right side
sc	.....	single crochet (singular/plural)
sc dec	.....	single crochet 2 or more stitches together, as indicated
sk	.....	skip/skipped/skipping
sl st(s)	.....	slip stitch(es)
sp(s)	.....	space(s)/spaced
st(s)	.....	stitch(es)
tog	.....	together
tr	.....	treble crochet
trtr	.....	triple treble
WS	.....	wrong side
yd(s)	.....	yard(s)
yo	.....	yarn over

YARN CONVERSION

OUNCES TO GRAMS GRAMS TO OUNCES

1		28.4	25		7/8
2		56.7	40		1 1/2
3		85.0	50		1 3/4
4		113.4	100		3 1/2

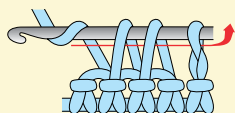
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UNITED KINGDOM

sl st (slip stitch)	=	sc (single crochet)
sc (single crochet)	=	dc (double crochet)
hdc (half double crochet)	=	htr (half treble crochet)
dc (double crochet)	=	tr (treble crochet)
tr (treble crochet)	=	dtr (double treble crochet)
dtr (double treble crochet)	=	ttr (triple treble crochet)
skip	=	miss

Single crochet decrease (sc dec):

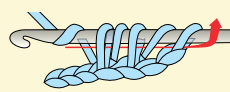
(Insert hook, yo, draw lp through) in each of the sts indicated, yo, draw through all lps on hook.



Example of 2-sc dec

Half double crochet decrease (hdc dec):

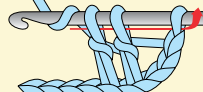
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Example of 2-hdc dec

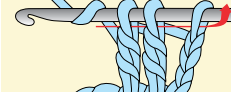
Double crochet decrease (dc dec):

(Yo, insert hook, yo, draw lp through, yo, draw through 2 lps on hook) in each of the sts indicated, yo, draw through all lps on hook.



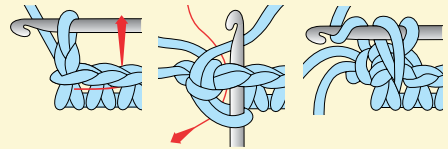
Example of 2-dc dec

Treble crochet decrease (tr dec): Holding back last lp of each st, tr in each of the sts indicated, yo, pull through all lps on hook.

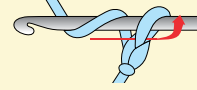


Example of 2-tr dec

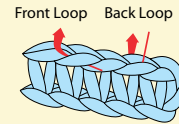
Reverse single crochet (reverse sc): Ch 1, sk first st, working from left to right, insert hook in next st from front to back, draw up lp on hook, yo and draw through both lps on hook.



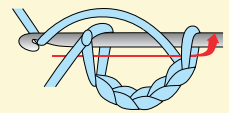
Chain (ch): Yo, pull through lp on hook.



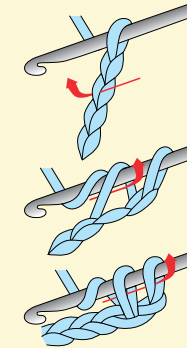
Front loop (front lp) Back loop (back lp)



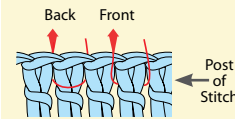
Slip stitch (sl st): Insert hook in st, pull through both lps on hook.



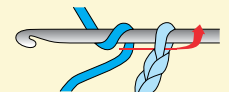
Single crochet (sc): Insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, yo, pull through both lps on hook.



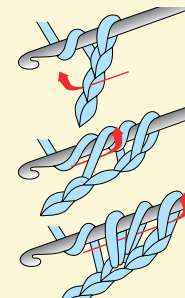
Front post stitch (fp): Back post stitch (bp): When working post st, insert hook from right to left around post of st on previous row.



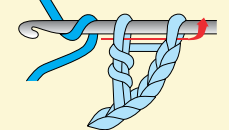
Chain color change (ch color change) Yo with new color, draw through last lp on hook.



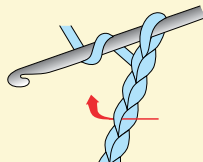
Half double crochet (hdc): Yo, insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, yo, pull through all 3 lps on hook.



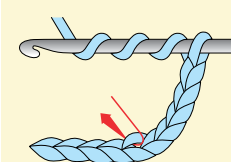
Double crochet color change (dc color change) Drop first color, yo with new color, draw through last 2 lps of st.



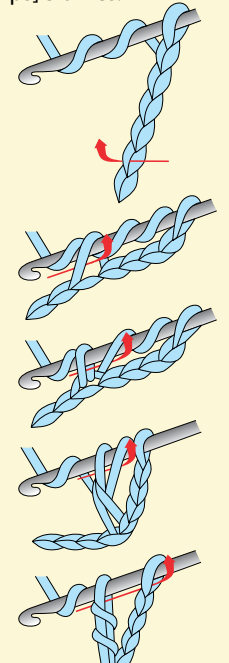
Double crochet (dc): Yo, insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, [yo, pull through 2 lps] twice.



Double treble crochet (dtr): Yo 3 times, insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, [yo, pull through 2 lps] 4 times.



Treble crochet (tr): Yo twice, insert hook in st, yo, pull through st, [yo, pull through 2 lps] 3 times.





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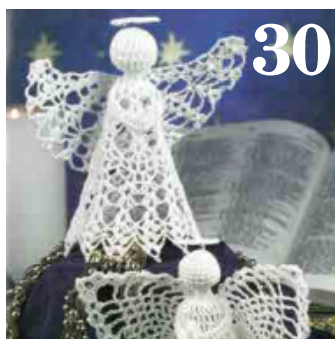
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Skill Levels

1 2 3 4 5 6 **BEGINNER**

Projects for first-time crocheters using basic stitches, with little or no shaping.

1 2 3 4 5 6 **CONFIDENT BEGINNER**

Projects for new crocheters who are comfortable with the beginner basic stitches and are ready to combine them into short pattern sequences. Skills include simple increasing, decreasing and minimal color changes.

1 2 3 4 5 6 **EASY**

Projects using basic stitches, repetitive stitch patterns, simple color changes and easy shaping and finishing. Simple in-the-round projects, such as coasters, hot mats, flowers, hats, neck warmers and cowls fall within this skill category, as well as the ability to read simple stitch charts and keys.

1 2 3 4 5 6 **INTERMEDIATE**

Projects that incorporate a wide variety of stitch techniques beyond the basics, such as shells, fans, popcorns, clusters, post stitches, basic cables, lace, simple intarsia, shaping and finishing. The crocheter has the ability to read more advanced stitch pattern charts, such as lace and cable charts.

1 2 3 4 5 6 **MODERATELY CHALLENGING**

Projects that utilize a wide variety of stitches and techniques such as those noted above, as well as more detailed colorwork, shaping, construction and finishing.

1 2 3 4 5 6 **CHALLENGING**

Projects that require a more intuitive understanding of a pattern or chart and that also include advanced stitches and techniques, as well as more intricate methods such as intarsia, cables, lace, stranded colorwork with numerous color changes and advanced shaping and construction techniques.

Standard Yarn Weight System

Categories of yarn, gauge ranges and recommended hook sizes.

Yarn Weight Symbol & Category Names	 0 LACE	 1 SUPER FINE	 2 FINE	 3 LIGHT	 4 MEDIUM	 5 BULKY	 6 SUPER BULKY	 7 JUMBO
Type of Yarns in Category	Lace, Fingering Size 10 Crochet Thread	Sock, Fingering, Baby	Sport, Baby	DK, Light Worsted	Worsted, Afghan, Aran	Chunky, Craft, Rug	Super Chunky, Roving	Roving
Crochet Gauge* Ranges in Single Crochet to 4 inches	32–42 sts	21–32 sts	16–20 sts	12–17 sts	11–14 sts	8–11 sts	6–9 sts	5 sts and fewer
Recommended Hook in Metric Size Range	1.5–2.25mm	2.25–3.5mm	3.5–4.5mm	4.5–5.5mm	5.5–6.5mm	6.5–9mm	9–16mm	16mm and larger
Recommended Hook—U.S. Size Range	Steel 8–1 Regular Hook B1	B1 to E4	E4 to 7	7 to I9	I9 to K10½	K10½ to M/N13	M/N13 to Q	Q and larger

*Guidelines only: The above reflect the most commonly used gauges and hook sizes for specific yarn categories.

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