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“If you could send me more time for crocheting, it would help.”

In perusing our Readers’ Survey, these are the words that grabbed me the most and made me chuckle! Wouldn’t it be wonderful to have just a few more hours in every day just for crochet?

Hopefully, this June issue is coming to you at a time when all those extra hours will soon be granted to you in the form of lazy weekends at the beach and

vacation days that give you time to putter as you please, the only thing pressing being the next new project in your crochet basket.

The hands of crocheters are never idle, and we at *Crochet World* have put together an issue that will make you want to spend any extra time you have stitching up these designs. There are so many ways to celebrate the Fourth of July including ideas for an afghan, a casserole carrier and even quick and easy bookmarks! Wedding plans are made much more interesting with the addition of a beautiful afghan. Fashionistas will love our Shopper’s Dream Shrug and Mango Cloche, and who can resist Susan Lowman’s Sand Castle, complete with turrets and a drawbridge?

Smaller projects, such as the Surf & Sand Necklace and the Jelly Bag can fill in those odd moments between larger projects. The Beach House Afghan would make a lovely hostess gift. Relaxing on the porch will be so much more comfortable with two new Porch Pillows at your back and a Ripple Rug at your feet. Doesn’t everyone need an Octopus?

Which gets us back to our starting point of so many projects, so little time. I hope this issue contributes to the pleasure of your every crochet moment.

Happy Stitching!

Michele Maks

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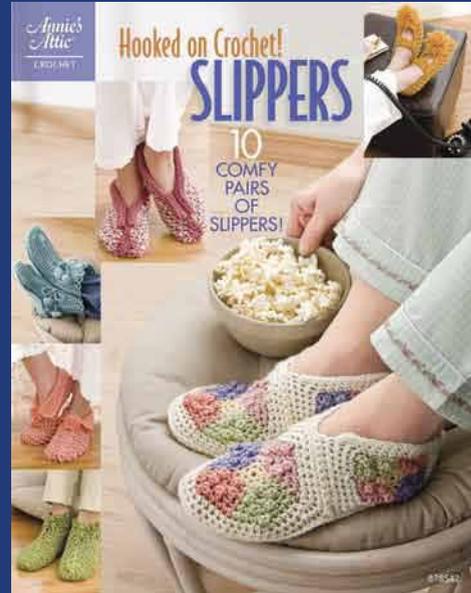
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Winner's Circle

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Girlie Girl

SKILL LEVEL

■ ■ ■ □ EASY

FINISHED SIZE

Approximately 21 inches tall

MATERIALS

- Medium (worsted) weight yarn:  4 oz each bone, white, sunflower, gold and spring green
- 1 yd hot pink
- Size G/6/4mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle
- Fiberfill
- 2 spring green heart-shaped pony beads
- Stitch marker
- Variety hair clips, ponytail holders, barrettes
- Hairbrush

GAUGE

5 sc = 1 inch

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join rounds with slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

Do not join rounds. Use stitch marker to mark rounds unless otherwise stated.

HEAD

Rnd 1: With bone, ch 5, join in first ch to form a ring, 8 sc in ring, **do not join, use st marker to mark rnds** (see *Pattern Notes*). (8 sc)

Little girls can never have too many hair accessories. Now there's a cute and girlie place to display them!



Rnd 2: Working in **back lps** (see *Stitch Guide*), [2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc] 4 times. (12 sc)

Note: Work in back lps only rnds 3–8.

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

Rnd 4: [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 2 sc] 6 times. (24 sc)

Rnd 5: [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 3 sc] 6 times. (30 sc)

Rnd 6: [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 4 sc] 6 times. (36 sc)

Rnd 7: [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 5 sc] 6 times. (42 sc)

Rnd 8: [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 6 sc] 6 times. (48 sc)

Rnds 9–20: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 21: [Sc in each of next 2 sc, **sc dec** (see *Stitch Guide*) in next 2 sc] around. (36 sc)

Rnd 22: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 23: Rep rnd 21. (27 sc)

Rnd 24: [Sc dec in next 2 sc, sc in each of next 4 sc] 4 times, sc dec in next 2 sc, sc in next sc. (22 sc)

BODY

Rnd 25: Sc in each sc around. (22 sc)

Rep rnd 25 until Body measures 6 inches. Draw up lp, remove hook. Stuff Head and Body with fiberfill.

FIRST LEG

Rnd 26: Pick up dropped lp, sc in each of next 11 sc, ch 5, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*) in first sc.

Rnd 27: Sc in each of next 11 sc, sc in each of next 5 chs. (16 sc)

Rnd 28: Sc in each sc around.

Rep rnd 28 until Leg measures 7 inches, stuff Leg with fiberfill.

Rnd 29: [Sc dec in next 2 sc] around. (8 sc)

Rnd 30: Rep rnd 29. (4 sc)

Rnd 31: Rep rnd 29, fasten off. (2 sc)

2ND LEG

Rnd 26: Join bone with sc in next unworked sc of rnd 25 of Body, sc in each of next 10 sc, sc in each of next 5 chs. (16 sc)

Rnds 27–31: Rep rnds 27–31 of First Leg.

ARM

Make 2.

Rnd 1: With bone, ch 5, join in first ch to form a ring, 8 sc in ring, do not join, use st marker to mark rnds. (8 sc)

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Meet the Winner

Yana Oulisko

When Yana's "Girlie Girl" arrived at our offices, I knew we had a very special piece. Placing Yana's design in the Winner's Circle allowed me to find out a little bit about her.

"Growing up, I always had unique outfits and toys. In Russia, where I'm from, handmade items are quite valuable, and I was lucky to have my grandmother teach me this craft. When I became a mother just over seven years ago, I wanted to make sure my daughters had the same opportunity as I did. Unfortunately, the level of imagination I saw in the available toys didn't strike me, so I decided to use the skills taught to me by my grandmother, which I honed during my pregnancies and as I watched my girls grow.

"My girls have always been my inspiration, and the doll you see in this issue came about both for the need of a place to attach my daughters' hair accessories, and a chance to design an unique handmade doll for my girls. I hope you'll enjoy making and gifting it as much as I did."



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Seaside Basket

SKILL LEVEL



FINISHED SIZE

Fits 8½-inch-diameter x 6-inch-deep basket

MATERIALS

- Aunt Lydia's Classic Crochet size 10 crochet cotton (1,000 yds per ball):
1 ball #201 white
- Size 7/1.65mm steel crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Size 10/1.15mm steel crochet hook (for attaching shells)
- 2 yds rust raffia
- 8½-inch-diameter x 6-inch-deep basket
- 125 sliced shells beads (Blue Moon Beads #BM11038-LE-001)

GAUGE

Rnds 1 and 2 = 1½ inches in diameter; 3 shell rnds = 1 inch

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join rounds with slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

Use steel crochet hook size 10 only to attach shells to basket.

SPECIAL STITCHES

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

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

BASKET INSERT

Rnd 1 (RS): Ch 5, join in first ch to form a ring, ch 3 (counts as first dc), 19 dc in ring, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*) in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (20 dc)

Rnd 2: Ch 3, dc in same st as beg ch-3, 2 dc in each dc around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (40 dc)

Rnd 3: Ch 3, 2 dc in next dc, [dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (60 dc)

Rnd 4: Ch 3, dc in each dc around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

Rnd 5: Ch 3, dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc, [dc in each of next 2 dc, 2 dc in next dc] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (80 dc)

Rnd 6: Ch 3, dc in each of next 2 dc, 2 dc in next dc, [dc in each of next 3 dc, 2 dc in next dc] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (100 dc)

Rnd 7: Ch 1, sc in same dc as beg ch-1, ch 3, sk next dc, [sc in next dc, ch 3, sk next dc] around, join in beg sc. (50 ch-3 sps)

Rnd 8: Sl st in ch-3 sp, ch 1, sc in same ch-3 sp, ch 4, [sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 4] around, join in beg sc. (50 ch-4 sps)

Rnd 9: Sl st in ch-4 sp, ch 1, sc in same ch-4 sp, ch 4, [sc in next ch-4 sp, ch 4] around, join in beg sc. (50 ch-4 sps)

Rnd 10: Sl st in ch-4 sp, **beg shell** (see *Special Stitches*) in same ch-4 sp, ch 1, dc in next ch-4 sp, ch 1, [**shell** (see *Special*

Stitches) in next ch-4 sp, ch 1, dc in next ch-4 sp, ch 1] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (25 shells)

Rnd 11: Sl st in ch-3 sp, beg shell in ch-3 sp of shell, *ch 1, **fpdc** (see *Stitch Guide*) around single dc between shells, ch 1**, shell in ch-3 sp of next shell, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

Rnd 12: Sl st in ch-3 sp, beg shell in ch-3 sp of shell, *ch 1, 2 fpdc around single fpdc between shells, ch 1**, shell in next ch-3 sp of next shell, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

Rnd 13: Sl st in ch-3 sp of shell, beg shell in ch-3 sp of shell, *ch 1, fpdc around each of next 2 fpdc, ch 1**, shell in ch-3 sp of next shell, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

Rnd 14: Sl st in ch-3 sp of shell, beg shell in ch-3 sp of shell, *ch 1, fpdc around next fpdc, dc in sp between next 2 fpdc, fpdc around next fpdc, ch 1**, shell in ch-3 sp of next shell, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

Rnd 15: Sl st in ch-3 sp of shell, shell in ch-3 sp of shell, *ch 1, fpdc around next fpdc, fpdc around next dc, fpdc around next fpdc, ch 1**, shell in ch-3 sp of next shell, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

Rnd 16: Sl st in ch-3 sp of shell,



beg shell in ch-3 sp of shell, *ch 1, fpdc around each of next 3 fpdc, ch 1**, shell in ch-3 sp of next shell, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

Rnds 17–34: Rep rnd 16.

Rnd 35: Sl st in ch-3 sp of shell, ch 5 (*counts as first tr, ch-1*), [tr in same ch-3 sp, ch 1] 6 times, sk next fpdc, dc in next fpdc, sk next fpdc, [ch 1, (tr in next ch-3 sp, ch 1) 7 times in same ch-3 sp, sk next fpdc, dc in next fpdc, sk next fpdc] around, join in 4th ch

of beg ch-5.

Rnd 36: Ch 1, *[sc in next ch-1 sp, ch 3] 5 times, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next dc, sc in next ch-1 sp, rep from * around, join in beg sc. (*125 ch-3 sps*)

Rnd 37: Sl st in next ch-3 sp, ch 1, *[2 sc in ch-3 sp, ch 3, remove size 7 hook from lp, pick up size 10 hook, insert hook in hole of bead, with size 10 hook, pick up dropped lp and draw through bead, draw up a lp, remove hook, pick up size 7 hook

and insert in lp, ch 3, 2 sc in same ch-3 sp] 5 times, sc in center sc of 3-sc group, rep from * around, join in first sc, fasten off. (*125 beads*)

FINISHING

Fold raffia in half, with RS facing, weave through rnd 36 of Insert, [weave under next shell of rnd 35, over next single dc of rnd 36] around. Place Basket Insert in basket, pull ends of raffia and tie ends in a large bow. 

Easy, Fast, Fun!

Design by Melissa Bennett

Stars Bookmark

SKILL LEVEL

■ ■ ■ ■ EASY

FINISHED SIZE

13 inches long, including beads

MATERIALS

- Medium (worsted) weight yarn:
 - 20 yds red or desired color
- Size H/8/5mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry
- 6mm pony beads: 11 blue or color desired, 3 white or color desired



GAUGE

4 sc = 1 inch

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join rounds with slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

Pattern is written for red Bookmark, when choosing pony beads remember to thread them on yarn in reverse order. Tail beads will be threaded first, but will be used last.

BOOKMARK

Thread beads on yarn: [blue, white, blue] 3 times and 5 blue.

Rnd 1: Ch 3, 14 dc in 3rd ch from hook, join in 3rd ch of ch-3. (15 dc)

Rnd 2: Sl st in next dc, [ch 4,

push up bead next to hook, sc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc in next ch, dc in next ch, sk next dc on rnd 1, sl st in each of next 2 dc] 5 times. (5 star points)

Row 3: Now working in rows, ch 40, push next 3 beads up next to hook, ch 1, sl st in each of

next 10 chs, ch 15, push next 3 beads up next to hook, ch 1, sl st in each of next 15 chs, ch 10, push next 3 beads up next to hook, ch 1, sl st in each of next 10 chs, sl st in each of next rem 30 chs of beg ch-40, fasten off. **CW**

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PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

SKILL LEVEL



SHRUG

FINISHED SIZES

Instructions given fit 32–34-inch bust (*small*); changes for 36–38-inch bust (*medium*), 40–42-inch bust (*large*) and 44–46-inch bust (*X-large*) are in [].

FINISHED GARMENT MEASUREMENTS

Bust: 36 inches (*small*) [40 inches (*medium*), 44 inches (*large*), 48 inches (*X-large*)]

MATERIALS

- Lion Brand Fun Fur bulky (chunky) weight yarn (1¾ oz/64 yds/50g per ball):  13 [13, 16, 16] balls #195 hot pink
- Lion Brand Microspun light (light worsted) weight yarn (2½ oz/168 yds/70g per ball):  5 [5, 6, 6] balls #146 fuchsia
- Size H/8/5mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Yarn needle
- Stitch markers

GAUGE

With 1 strand each Fun Fur and Microspun: 12 sc = 4 inches;
13 sc rows = 4 inches

Join rounds with slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

When only 1 number is given it applies to all sizes.

Work with strand each color yarn held together throughout.

SPECIAL STITCH

Single crochet foundation stitch (sc foundation st): Ch 2, insert hook in 2nd ch from hook, yo, draw up lp, yo, draw through first lp on hook (*base ch completed*), yo, draw through 2 lps on hook (*sc completed*).

Next st: *Insert hook in last base ch completed, yo, draw up lp, yo, draw through first lp on hook (*base ch completed*), yo, draw through both lps on hook, rep from * until desired number of sts have been completed.

BACK

Row 1: Sc foundation st (*see Special Stitch*) until total of 56 [60, 66, 72] sc foundation sts are completed, turn. (56 [60, 66, 72] sc)

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

Rep row 2 until Back measures 8 inches from beg.

Armhole Shaping

Row 1: Sl st in each of first 4 sc, ch 1, sc in each of next 48 [52, 58, 64] sc, turn. (48 [52, 58, 64] sc)

Row 2: Ch 1, **sc dec** (*see Stitch Guide*) in next 2 sc, sc in each of next 44 [48, 54, 60] sc, sc dec

in next 2 sc, turn. (46 [50, 56, 62] sc)

Rep row 2 until 40 [42, 46, 50] sc sts rem. (40 [42, 46, 50] sc)

Rep row 2 until Back measures 16 inches from beg.

Shoulder Shaping

Row 1: Sl st in each of first 4 sc, ch 1, sc in each of next 32 [34, 38, 42] sc, turn. (32 [34, 38, 42] sc)

Row 2: Sl st in each of first 4 sc, ch 1, sc in each of next 24 [26, 30, 34] sc, turn. (24 [26, 30, 34] sc)

Row 3: Sl st in first sc, ch 1, sc in next 16 [18, 22, 26] sc, turn. Fasten off sizes small and medium only.

For Sizes Large & X-Large Only

Row 4: Sl st in each of first 2 sc, ch 1, sc in each of next [18, 22] sc, fasten off.

FRONT

Make 2.

Row 1: Sc foundation st until a total of 28 [30, 33, 36] sc foundation sts are completed, turn. (28 [30, 33, 36] sc)

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

Rep row 2 until Front measures 8 inches from beg.

Armhole Shaping

Row 1: Sl st in each of first 4 sc, ch 1, sc in each of next 24 [26, 29,

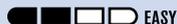
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***A girlie-girl
topper for the
shopper in you.***

Granny Sun Hat

SKILL LEVEL



FINISHED SIZE

One size fits most; 22½ inches circumference

MATERIALS

- Peaches & Crème medium (worsted) weight yarn (2½ oz/122 yds/71g per ball):



1 ball each #11 sunburst, #12 gold, #28 delft blue, #31 shocking pink and #33 persimmon

- Size H/8/5mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle

GAUGE

Granny square = 3¼ x 3¼ inches; 4 sc = 1 inch

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join rounds with slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

Crown is crocheted separately and sewn to joined squares.

SQUARE

Make 6.

Rnd 1 (RS): With gold, ch 3, sl st in first ch to form a ring, ch 3 (counts as first dc), 2 dc in ring, ch 3, [3 dc in ring, ch 3] 3 times, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3, fasten off. (12 dc, 4 ch-3 sps)



Granny squares are interpreted for summer days.

Note: Make 2 squares each using persimmon, shocking pink or sunburst on rnd 2.

Rnd 2 (RS): Attach next color in ch-3 corner sp with sl st, ch 3, (2 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) in same ch-3 sp, ch 1, [(3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc in next ch-3 corner sp, ch 1] 3 times, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3, fasten off. (24 dc, 4 ch-3 sps, 4 ch-1 sps)

Rnd 3: Attach delft blue in corner ch-3 sp with sl st, ch 1, [(2 sc, ch 2, 2 sc) in corner ch-3 sp, sc in each of next 3 dc, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in each of next 3 dc] 4 times, join in first sc, fasten off. (44 sc, 4 ch-2 sps)

Alternating colors [persimmon, hot pink and sunburst] twice, sew Squares tog in strip and then join strip to form a circle.

BRIM

Rnd 1 (RS): Join delft blue with sl st in any sc of joined Squares, ch 1, work 13 sc across each Square working 1 sc in each sc and 1 sc in each corner ch sp, join in first sc. (78 sc)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, [sc in each of next 12 sc, 2 sc in next sc] 6 times, join in first sc. (84 sc)

Rnd 3: Ch 1, [sc in each of next 13 sc, 2 sc in next sc] 6 times, join in first sc. (90 sc)

Rnd 4: Ch 1, [sc in each of next 14 sc, 2 sc in next sc] 6 times, join in first sc. (96 sc)

Rnd 5: Ch 1, [sc in each of next 15 sc, 2 sc in next sc] 6 times, join in first sc. (102 sc)

Rnd 6: Ch 1, [sc in each of next

16 sc, 2 sc in next sc] 6 times, join in first sc. (108 sc)

Rnd 7: Ch 1, [sc in each of next 17 sc, 2 sc in next sc] 6 times, join in first sc, turn. (114 sc)

Rnd 8 (WS): Ch 1, sc in each sc around, join in first sc, fasten off.

CROWN

Rnd 1 (RS): With delft blue, ch 3, sl st in first ch to form a ring, ch 1, 8 sc in ring, join in first sc. (8 sc)

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

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

Rnd 4: Ch 1, [sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc] around, join in first sc. (32 sc)

Rnd 5: Ch 1, [sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc] around, join

in first sc. (40 sc)

Rnd 6: Ch 1, [sc in each of next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc] around, join in first sc. (48 sc)

Rnd 7: Ch 1, [sc in each of next 5 sc, 2 sc in next sc] around, join in first sc. (56 sc)

Rnd 8: Ch 1, [sc in each of next 6 sc, 2 sc in next sc] around, join in first sc. (64 sc)

Rnd 9: Ch 1, [sc in each of next 7 sc, 2 sc in next sc] around, join in first sc. (72 sc)

Rnd 10: Ch 1, [sc in each of next 11 sc, 2 sc in next sc] around, join in first sc. (78 sc)

Rnd 11: Ch 1, sc in each sc around, join in first sc, leaving a 20-inch length of yarn, fasten off.

Sew rnd 11 of Crown to opposite edge of joined Squares. **CW**



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Dinosaur Hoodie

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FINISHED SIZES

Instructions given fit size 4 (*small*); changes for 6 (*medium*) and 8 (*large*) are in [].

FINISHED GARMENT MEASUREMENTS

Chest: 23 inches (*small*) [25 inches (*medium*), 26½ inches (*large*)]

Finished chest: 25 inches (*small*) [27 inches (*medium*), 29 inches (*large*)]

MATERIALS

- Red Heart Designer Sport light (light worsted) weight yarn (3 oz/279 yds/85g per ball):
 - 3 [3, 4] balls #3650 pistachio (A)
 - 1 ball #3620 celadon (B)



- Size H/8/5mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Size F/5/3.75mm crochet hook used only for optional drawstring
- Yarn needle
- Stitch marker

GAUGE

Size H hook: 7 hdc = 2 inches;
5 hdc rows = 2 inches

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join rounds with a slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

Sweater is crocheted vertically from left sleeve to right sleeve.

SPECIAL STITCHES

Beginning half double crochet decrease (beg hdc dec):

Ch 1, yo, insert hook in same st as beg ch-1, yo, draw up lp, insert hook in next st, yo, draw up lp, yo, draw through all 4 lps on hook.

Half double crochet decrease (hdc dec): Yo, insert hook in next st, yo, draw up lp, insert hook in next st, yo, draw up lp, yo, draw through all 4 lps on hook.

LEFT SLEEVE

Row 1 (RS): With size H hook and A, ch 27 [29, 31], hdc in 3rd ch from hook, hdc in each rem ch across, turn. (26 [28, 30] hdc)

Row 2: Ch 2 (*counts as first hdc*), hdc in each st across, turn.

Row 3: Rep row 2.

Row 4: Ch 2, hdc in same st as beg ch-2, hdc in each st across to last st, 2 hdc in last st, turn. (28 [30, 32] hdc)

Row 5: Rep row 2.

Rows 6–21: [Rep rows 2–5 consecutively] 4 times. (36 [38, 40] hdc)

Rows 22–24 [22–26, 22–28]: Rep row 2. At the end of last rep, draw up lp, remove hook.

LEFT BODY

Using separate length of A, join yarn in 2nd ch of beg ch-2 of last row worked, ch 30 [36, 40] (*for Body*), fasten off.

Row 1: Pick up dropped lp, ch 31 [37, 41] (*for Body*), hdc in 3rd ch from hook and in each ch and st across, turn. (96 [110, 120] hdc)

Rows 2–10 [2–12, 2–12]: Rep row 2 of Left Sleeve.

BACK

Row 1: Ch 2, hdc in each of next 47 [54, 59] sts, leaving rem sts unworked, turn. (48 [55, 60] hdc)

Rows 2–12 [2–12, 2–14]: Rep row 2 of Left Sleeve. At the end of last rep, draw up lp, remove hook.

FRONT

Row 1: With RS facing, sk next 8 sts from Back for neck opening, join A in next st, ch 2, hdc in each rem st across, turn. (40 [47, 52] hdc)

Rows 2–12 [2–12, 2–14]: Rep row 2 of Left Sleeve. At the end of last rep, fasten off.

RIGHT BODY

To close neck opening, join separate length of yarn in first st of last row of Back worked, ch 8, join to next st of Front, fasten off.

Row 1: With RS facing, pick up dropped lp from Back, ch 2, hdc in each of next 47 [54, 59] sts, hdc in each of next 8 chs, hdc in each of next 40 [47, 52] sts, turn. (96 [110, 120] hdc)

Rows 2–10 [2–12, 2–12]: Rep row 2 of Left Sleeve. At the end of last rep, fasten off.

RIGHT SLEEVE

Row 1: With RS facing, sk first 30 [36, 40] sts, join A in next st, ch 2, hdc in each of next 35 [37, 39] sts, turn. (36 [38, 40] hdc)

Rows 2–4 [2–6, 2–8]: Rep row 2 of Left Sleeve.

Row 5 [7, 9]: Beg hdc dec (*see Special Stitches*), hdc in each st across to last 2 sts, **hdc dec** (*see Special Stitches*) in last 2 sts, turn. (34 [36, 38] hdc)

Rows 6–8 [8–10, 10–12]: Rep row 2 of Left Sleeve.

Row 9 [11, 13]: Rep row 5 [7, 9]. (32 [34, 36] hdc)

Rows 10–12 [12–14, 14–16]: Rep row 2 of Left Sleeve.

Row 13 [15, 17]: Rep row 5 [7, 9]. (30 [32, 34] hdc)

Rows 14–16 [16–18, 18–20]: Rep row 2 of Left Sleeve.

Row 17 [19, 21]: Rep row 5 [7, 9]. (28 [30, 32] hdc)

Rows 18–20 [20–22, 22–24]: Rep row 2 of Left Sleeve.

Row 21 [23, 25]: Rep row 5 [7, 9]. (26 [28, 30] hdc)

Rows 22–24 [24–26, 26–28]: Rep row 2 of Left Sleeve. At the end of last rep, fasten off.

POCKET

Row 1: Beg at the bottom of the Pocket with size H hook and B, ch 28 [30, 32], hdc in 3rd ch from hook, hdc in each rem ch across, turn. (27 [29, 31] hdc)

Row 2: Ch 2, hdc in each hdc across, turn.

Row 3: Beg hdc dec, hdc in each hdc across to last 2 sts, hdc dec in last 2 sts, turn. (25 [27, 29] hdc)

Rows 4–13 [4–15, 4–17]: [Rep rows 2 and 3 alternately] 5 [6, 7] times. At the end of last rep, fasten off.

Pocket Edging

Rnd 1: With RS facing, with size H hook, join B with sc in lower corner, working across opposite side of foundation ch, sc in same st as first sc, sc in each of next 25 [27, 39] sts, 3 sc in corner, work 3 sc up side edge to first dec area, 3 sc in dec to turn edge, work 11 [13, 15] sc to upper corner, 3 sc in corner, sc in each sc across top edge, 3 sc in next corner, 11 [13, 15] sc to next dec, 3 sc in dec to turn edge, 3 sc evenly sp to lower corner, sc in

same sc as first 2 sc, join in first sc, fasten off.

HOODIE

Row 1: With size H hook and A, ch 67 [69, 71], hdc in 3rd ch from hook, hdc in each rem ch across, turn. (66 [68, 70] hdc)

Rows 2–20 [2–21, 2–22]: Rep row 2 of Left Sleeve. At the end of last rep, fasten off.

To form back seam, with WS facing, fold first row of Hoodie in half. With tapestry needle and A, sew across edge, turn right side out.

Hoodie Edging

Rnd 1: With RS facing with size H hook, join A in back sewn seam, ch 1, work 128 [132, 136] sc around outer edge of Hoodie, join in first sc, fasten off.

SPIKES

Make 20 [22, 24].

Rnd 1: With size H hook and B, ch 2, 3 sc in 2nd ch from hook, do not join rnds, use st marker to mark rnds, move st marker as work progresses. (3 sc)

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each sc around. (6 sc)

Rnd 3: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 4: [Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] 3 times. (9 sc)

Rnd 5: Rep rnd 3.

Rnd 6: [Sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc] 3 times. (12 sc)

Cool summer nights call for playful crochet.



Darla Sims

Darla Sims has been on my knit and crochet radar for the last 30 years. Her design capabilities are extremely varied, producing a wide variety of techniques and styles, from the whimsical to the elegant, in both knit and crochet. What makes such a talented designer tick? Here's Darla, in her own words.

"I think needlework runs in my veins—both my maternal grandmother and my mother were noted seamstresses, and my paternal grandmother crocheted beautiful lace bedspreads, doilies, dresser scarves, and the like. At the age of 4 or 5, I was making paper patterns and hand-sewing clothes for my dolls, which was more fun than actually playing with dolls. Around the same time I learned to knit and crochet.

"For many years, I designed and made the clothing for my daughters, but when they reached their teen years, they grew weary of Mom's sweaters. Frankly, I couldn't even imagine not filling my spare moments with knitting and crocheting. I decided to continue to indulge in my greatest pleasures and plunged into the design world full time. In 1978, my designs were first accepted



and published, and I've been happily at it ever since.

"While garments and baby items are still my design favorites, I've found myself increasingly intrigued by crochet stitches and most enjoy collecting and creating new ones. Living in the Pacific Northwest where we enjoy the abundance of nature, four seasons, many outdoor activities, as well as diverse cultural exposure, means that I am able to find inspiration all around me every day.

"Working freelance for yarn companies and magazines still excites me. I can't imagine having a better or more fulfilling job! So, I'll just keep on keeping on doing what I love."

That's good news for all of us, Darla! We're extremely fortunate to have three of Darla's designs in this issue—her little girl's Nautical Set; the beautiful Wedding Afghan, and the sweet and funny Dinosaur Hoodie.

Rnd 7: Rep rnd 3, sl st in next sc, fasten off.

NECK EDGING

With size H hook, join A with sc at center back of neckline opening, work 47 [49, 51] sc around neck opening, join in first sc, fasten off.

ASSEMBLY

Sew pocket centered to front 1 inch above bottom edge. Sew Sleeve and side seams. Slightly overlapping lower center front edges of Hoodie and with sewn seam at center back, sew to neck opening.



LOWER BODY EDGING

With size H hook, join A with sc in side seam, work 75 [79, 83] sc around lower edge, join in first sc, fasten off.

SLEEVE EDGING

With size H hook, join A with sc in Sleeve seam, work 23 [25, 27] sc around edge, join in first sc, fasten off. Rep Sleeve Edging on 2nd Sleeve.

FINISHING

Flatten Spikes and sew evenly sp along center top and back of Hoodie and along Back of pullover.

DRAWSTRING (OPTIONAL)

With size F hook and B make ch 34 [36, 38] inches long, sl st in 2nd ch from hook, sl st in each rem ch across, fasten off.

Weave Drawstring over 2 sts, under 2 sts across row 20 [21, 22] of Hoodie, knot each end of Drawstring. 

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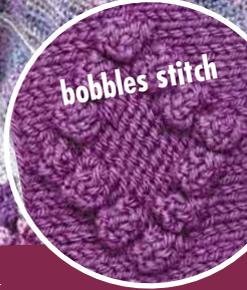
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Crochet Connections



I just love my subscription to *Crochet World*! I can't put it down. Most of the time, I have everything on hand and rarely have to purchase anything to make whatever I want from issue to issue. I know, sad, but true! I have responded to many requests in *Crochet Connections*. Made a few new friends and have had folks send surprise patterns in return. I think it's a blessing inside an already wonderful magazine. I was hoping I could get some help from others. I am looking for patterns for Barbie. I'd like to make clothes for my niece's Barbie and doll friends, Ken, etc. Patterns don't have to be clothes. I would gladly accept and cherish patterns for her clothes or any of her friends or her dreamhouse. Thank you so much. *Debbi Kludt Lewis, 1403 McMinn, Mount Pleasant, TX 75455*

I'd very much like a copy of Pink Ribbon Afghan (October 2007) written in by Lisa Koenig via e-mail. I would be willing to purchase the magazine, if

available. Thank you. *Gail Nibbe, 2731 Autumn Woods Drive, Cosby, TN 37722*

I am looking for a crochet pattern of milk-disk doily doll dresses. I am also looking for a leaf that is crocheted. *Reba Whitehurst, P.O. Box 1043, Wewahitchka, FL 32465*

Hoping someone can help me. I'm looking for a few patterns. One is a fireplace mantel scarf in crochet pineapple design. Also looking for crochet design for a toilet tissue cover with a poinsettia on top. Another is Hen and Rooster pot holders. *Dianne Bright, P.O. Box 286, Altha, FL 32421*

I have been crocheting Barbie clothes for my granddaughters. I have found two of your patterns from Holly Fields. Part 3: 1950s and Part 6: 1980s. I would like the other four patterns. I will pay for the magazines and shipping. Thank you. *Colleen Baer, 823 N. Milford Lake Road, Junction City, KS 66441, ileen@dslectricwib.com*

Can anyone help me in finding a place to get a copy of a DVD that shows how to crochet? I have several persons

wanting to learn how to crochet. Any help would be greatly appreciated. I've been crocheting for 25 years, and it relaxes me. *Eloise Martin, 230 Scott Blvd., Stockbridge, GA 30281*

I am in need of an afghan pattern that was in the October 1997 *Crochet World*. It's a rippled pattern by Jeanie Reid. Any and all easy crochet afghan patterns would be greatly appreciated. Thanks to one and all. *Wanda Koch, 215 Loga, Lebanon, MO 65536*

I'm looking for traders of 6-inch crocheted granny squares. I have a club called "Crocheting Friends." We have over 50 traders from all over the world, Australia too! Make new pen pals and trade squares too. Join us! *Vanessa Garrett, 2768 N. Neshannock Road, Sharpsville, PA 16150*

I need a crochet connection! I would LOVE to donate handmade items such as crocheted blankets to homeless dogs in shelters. Any information, patterns, advice, or unwanted supplies would be deeply appreciated. A rattlesnake recently killed my precious little companion, a Chihuahua named Oddball. It would help me if I could help other unfortunate dogs. Pen pals are welcome. This column really lifts my spirits, so please fill my mailbox, all you wonderful crocheters! *Darlene Thacker, 12240 W. Calle Seneca, Tucson, AZ 85743-9092*

In the past, I have received help from your fabulous readers and have given it when possible. Also made many dear friends. I am again asking for help. Had many pineapple patterns that I have somehow misplaced. I found a scarf pattern, but I cannot locate a winter hat and

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crossover (ascot) scarf. Would love to replace these if anyone can help. Also open to new pen pals, but no men or prisoners, please. *Kellie Wildenberg, 2721 S. 55th St., Milwaukee, WI 53219*

When I received my October '08 *Crochet World*, I saw a pattern named Pink Ribbons. Does anyone have an extra issue? I would also like to know where I can get knitted patterns for preemies that are easy. My senior crochet club makes items for a local hospital preemie unit, but it's hard to find knitted patterns that small that are easy. Please help! Thanks. *Mrs. Opal Bender, 5830 N. 67th Ave., Apt. 132, Glendale, AZ 85301*

I am an avid crocheter, and I crochet afghans for seriously ill children in hospitals and abused children in shelters. I call it my

afghan ministry, and God has blessed generously for over eight years. I use 4-ply yarn. If any of you have yarn lying around and you don't plan to use it, I would appreciate it if you would mail it to me. I can use full skeins, partial skeins, whatever. God will richly bless you and your donations. I can use any color. Thank you for a wonderful magazine and allowing me to place my request therein. God bless. *Rheta R. Eure, 1429 Ridgewood Drive, Augusta, GA, 30909-2807*

I am interested in finding instructions for a crocheted tablecloth in the "Queen Anne's Lace" pattern, I first made this in the early '40s and hope someone still has a copy. I believe it was in a "Decorative Crochet" pamphlet. Ten cents at the time! *Carol Sawyer, 1783 Camino Primavera, Bakersfield, CA 93306*

Do you know of a pattern for a flip doll with an African-American baby on one side and a Caucasian baby on the other side? I made one for my sister and her friend back in 1945. I now have a biracial great-granddaughter and niece, and would like to make one for each of them. *Mona Emmendorfer, 11484 Duffield Road, Montrose, MI 48457*

I'm hoping to find easy holiday patterns, bazaar items, kitchen and bath items, and bed doll patterns. I am also hoping to find South Maid size 10 crochet thread in shaded blues, shaded yellows and shaded greens to finish an afghan my aunt started before she passed away. I will pay costs or trade patterns. Also hoping to find pen pals. Thank you. *Tammy Hudson, 3605 County Road 41, Gaylesville, AL 35973*

BACK TALK!

Letters from our readers

In Need of a Breakdown

Crochet World has been a big part of my gift-giving for nearly 30 years.

My crocheted gifts are always appreciated, and your patterns always fit the bill.

I just received my December 2008 issue and want to do three of the projects for Christmas gifts. My question is about the Sampler Set. I want to do just the sweater and hat, but the materials list doesn't give me a clue how many of the total 10 skeins I would need for just these pieces. It would be so helpful to have a breakdown of the yarn needed per item under the total.

I love *Crochet World*! You do everything but crochet it for all of us, so I want to thank you.

*Shelley Sykes
Arendtsville, Pa.*

Dear Shelley,

I'm so glad that Crochet World is a part of your crochet gift giving! A handmade gift is always the best.

Your point about the yarn amount breakdown is well taken. In future issues, I will try to make sure that multiple pieces have separate yarn amounts.

—Editor

Afghan to Lapghan

I have just received my second issue of *Crochet World*. What a marvelous issue. I'm planning on doing the Angel Baby afghan, but I will make it for a wheelchair patient here at the Assisi Health

Care Center. It will be the perfect size as a lapghan.

I'd love to be able to contact Rhonda Guthrie to let her know what I am doing.

I'm so happy to have rediscovered *Crochet World*, and I love its new look.

*Sister M. Constance
Bartlett, Ill.*

Dear Sister Constance,

What a thoughtful use for this design! I wanted to let all our readers know about your use for this beautiful design. I hope that others will be inspired to crochet for those in nursing facilities and hospitals, where a lapghan made with love can make all the difference in what might be a difficult time. Loving stitches are a wonderful gift.

—Editor

Ocean Waves Fringe-as-You-Go Baby Blanket

Design by Melissa Bennett

PATTERN NOTE

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

SPECIAL STITCHES

Cluster (cl): Yo, insert hook in 3rd ch from hook, yo, draw up lp, yo, draw through 2 lps on hook, yo, insert hook in same sp, yo, draw up lp, yo, draw through 2 lps on hook, yo, draw through all 3 lps on hook.

Double crochet decrease in 3 stitches (dc dec in 3 sts):

[Yo, insert hook in next st, yo, draw up lp, yo, draw through 2 lps on hook] 3 times, yo, draw through all 4 lps on hook.

Single crochet decrease in 3 stitches (sc dec in 3 sts): [Insert hook in next st, yo, draw up a lp] 3 times, yo, draw through all 4 lps on hook.

BLANKET

Row 1 (RS): With country blue, ch 111, dc in 3rd ch from hook, dc in each of next 4 chs, [**dc dec in 3 sts** (see *Special Stitches*), dc in each of next 4 sts, 3 dc in next st, dc in each of next 4 sts] 7 times, dc dec in next 3 sts, dc in each of next 4 sts, ch 3, sl st in free lp of last dc made, do not turn, working in opposite side of foundation ch make bottom fringe of row 1 as follows, *ch 3, **cl** (see *Special Stitches*), [ch 5, cl] 5 times (6 cls made), ch 1, sl st in same ch**, sl st in each of next 6 chs, rep from * across, ending last rep at **, sl st to top of end dc, **do not turn**.

Row 2 (RS): Ch 3, mark 3rd ch of beg ch-3 with st marker, ch 3, cl, [ch 5, cl] 5 times, ch 1, join with sl st in marked ch to make lp for fringe, dc in same st, dc in each of next 4 sts, [dc dec in next 3 sts, dc in each of next 4 sts, 3 dc in next st, dc in each of next 4 sts] across, ending with dc dec in 3 sts, dc in each of next 4 sts,

2 dc in last st, ch 3, cl, [ch 5, cl] 5 times, turn, join with sl st in top of last dc made before fringe, fasten off.

Row 3: With WS facing, join white with sc in first st, sc in same st, [sc in each of next 4 sts, **sc dec in 3 sts** (see *Special Stitches*), sc in each of next 4 sts, 3 sc in next st] across, ending with 2 sc, instead of 3, in last st, turn.

Row 4: Ch 1, working in **front lp** (see *Stitch Guide*), sc in first st, [ch 3, cl, sc in front lp of each of next 2 sts] twice, ch 3, cl, sc in front lp of next st, *sk next st, sc in front lp of next st, [ch 3, cl, sc in front lp of each of next 2 sts] twice, ch 3, cl, sk next st, sc in front lp of each of next 2 sts, ch 3, cl, sc in front lp of each of next 2 sts, ch 3, cl, sc in front lp of next st, rep from * across, fasten off, do not turn.

Row 5: With RS facing, working behind cls and in rem **back lps** (see *Stitch Guide*) and sk sts of previous row, join dark country blue with sl st in first st, rep row 2, **do not fasten off**.

You will know that you are on track with this row because the sk st on the upper side of the ripple will have the 3 dc in it.

Row 6: Ch 3, dc in same st, dc in each of next 4 sts, [dc dec in

SKILL LEVEL

■ ■ ■ □ INTERMEDIATE

FINISHED SIZE

30 x 31 inches, plus 3½-inch fringe

MATERIALS

- Caron Simply Soft medium (worsted) weight yarn (6 oz/315 yds/170g per skein):

2 skeins #9710 country blue,
1 skein each #9711 dark
country blue, #9709 light
country blue and
#9701 white

- Size 1/9/5.5mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Yarn needle
- Stitch marker

GAUGE

3 dc = 1 inch; 3 dc rows = 2 inches





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next 3 sts, dc in each of next 4 sts, 3 dc in next st, dc in each of next 4 sts] across, dc dec in 3 sts, dc in each of next 4 sts, 2 dc in last st, turn.

Row 7: Rep row 2, do not turn, fasten off.

Row 8: With RS facing, join country blue with sl st, rep row 6.

Row 9: Rep row 2, fasten off.

Rows 10 & 11: Rep rows 3 and 4.

Rows 12–14: Rep rows 5–7 using light country blue.

Rows 15–18: Rep rows 8–11.

Rows 19–23: Rep rows 5–9.

Rows 24–51: [Rep rows 10–23 consecutively] twice.

Rows 52 & 53: Rep rows 10 and 11.

Row 54: Rep row 6.

Row 55: To make top fringe, sl st in first st, *ch 3, cl, [ch 5, cl] 5 times, ch 1, sl st in same st at base of fringe**, sl st in each of next 6 sts, rep from * across, ending last rep at **, fasten off. **CW**

Sand Castle

Design by Susan Lowman

SKILL LEVEL



FINISHED SIZE

12 x 12 inches square x
8½ inches tall

MATERIALS

- Aunt Lydia's Cable Crochet size 3 crochet cotton (200 yds per ball):
5 balls #226 natural
- Size G/6/4mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle
- 4-inch-diameter plastic canvas circles: 8
- 10½ x 13½-inch 7-count plastic canvas: 6 sheets
- Fiberfill

GAUGE

21 sc = 4 inches; 16 rows = 3 inches

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join rounds with a slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

SPECIAL STITCH

Triple single crochet decrease (tr sc dec): [Insert hook in next st, yo, draw up a lp] 3 times, yo, draw through all 4 lps on hook.

PLASTIC CANVAS PREPARATION

Cut plastic canvas pieces as follows:

1. Top of turrets: 4 round each 3 inches in diameter
2. Bottom of turrets: 4 round

pieces each 2⅛–2¼ inches in diameter

3. Turret sides: 4 pieces each 4 x 6¾ inches
4. Walls: 16 pieces each 3 x 6⅝ inches
5. Floor: 2 pieces each 9⅜ inches square
6. Drawbridge: 1 piece 2½ x 2⅞ inches

TURRET BOTTOM

Make 4.

Rnd 1 (RS): Ch 4, join in first ch to form a ring, ch 1, 6 sc in ring, join in first sc. (6 sc)

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

Rnd 3: Ch 1, sc in same sc as beg ch-1, 2 sc in next sc, [sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] 5 times, join in first sc. (18 sc)

Rnd 4: Ch 1, 2 sc in same sc as beg ch-1, sc in each of next 2 sc, [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 2 sc] 5 times, join in first sc. (24 sc)

Rnd 5: Ch 1, sc in same sc as beg ch-1, sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc, [sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc] 5 times, join in beg sc. (30 sc)

Rnd 6: Ch 1, 2 sc in same sc as joining, sc in each of next 4 sc, [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 4 sc] 5 times, join in first sc. (36 sc)

Rnd 7: Ch 1, working in **back lps** (see *Stitch Guide*) of each st around to create side, sc in each st around, join in back lp of first sc, turn. (36 sc)

Rnd 8: Ch 1, sc in **front lp** (see *Stitch Guide*) of same sc as beg ch-1, sc in back lp of next sc, [sc in front lp of next sc, sc in back

lp of next sc] around, join in back lp of first sc, turn.

Rnds 9–29: Rep rnd 8. At the end of rnd 29, fasten off.

TURRET TOP

Make 4.

Rnds 1–6: Rep rnds 1–6 of Turret Bottom. (36 sc)

Rnd 7: Ch 1, sc in same sc as beg ch-1, sc in each of next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc, [sc in each of next 5 sc, 2 sc in next sc] 5 times, join in first sc. (42 sc)

Rnd 8: Ch 1, sc in same sc as beg ch-1, sc in each of next 2 sc, [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 6 sc] 5 times, 2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 3 sc, join in front lp of first sc, turn. (48 sc)

Rnd 9: Ch 1, sc in back lp of same sc as beg ch-1, sc in back lp of each sc around, join in back lp of first sc, turn.

Rnd 10: Ch 1, sc in front lp of same sc as beg ch-1, sc in back lp of next sc, sc in front lp of next sc, sc in back lp of next sc, *sc dec (see *Stitch Guide*) in front lp of next 2 sc, [sc in back lp of next sc, sc in front lp of next sc] twice, sc dec in back lp of next 2 sc**, [sc in front lp of next sc, sc in back lp of next sc] twice, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in first sc, turn. (40 sc)

Rnd 11: Ch 1, sc in front lp of same sc as ch-1, sc in back lp of next sc, [sc in front lp of next sc, sc in back lp of next sc] around, join in first sc, turn.

Rnd 12: Rep rnd 11.

Rnd 13: Ch 1, sc in front lp of same sc as ch-1, *[sc in back lp of next sc, sc in front lp of next

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sc] twice, working in back lp, front lp, back lp work **tr sc dec** (see *Special Stitch*)**, sc in front lp in next sc, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in first sc, turn. (30 sc)

Note: Insert 3-inch-diameter plastic canvas in Turret Top and stuff with fiberfill as work progresses.

Rnds 14–16: Rep rnd 11.

Rnd 17: Ch 1, sc in front lp of

of same st as ch-1, *sc in back lp of next sc, working in front lp, back lp, front lp, tr sc dec in next 3 sc, sc in back lp of next sc, sc in front lp of next sc, working in back lp, front lp, back lp, tr sc dec in next 3 sc**, sc in front lp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in first sc, turn. (18 sc)

Rnds 18–20: Rep rnd 11.

Rnd 21: Ch 1, sc in front lp of

same sc as ch-1, *sc in back lp of next sc, sc in next lp of next sc, working in back lp, front lp, back lp, tr sc dec in next 3 sc**, sc in front lp of next sc, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in first sc, turn. (12 sc)

Rnd 22: Rep rnd 11.

Rnd 23: Ch 1, sc in front lp of same sc as ch-1, *sc in back lp of next sc, sc in front lp of next

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Nautical Set

Designs by Darla Sims

SKILL LEVEL



EASY

FINISHED SIZES

Instructions given fit infant's size 6 months (19 inches); changes for 12 months (20 inches) and 18 months (21 inches) are in [].

FINISHED GARMENT MEASUREMENTS

Chest: 21 inches (6 months) [23 inches (12 months), 25 inches (18 months)]

Length (shoulder to hem): 18 inches (6 months) [19 inches (12 months), 20 inches (18 months)]

Hat: 15½ inches in diameter (size 6 months), [18 inches in diameter (sizes 12 and 18 months)]

MATERIALS

- Caron Simply Soft medium (worsted) weight yarn (6 oz/315 yds/170g per skein):
 - 2 skeins each #9701 white (A) and #9711 dark country blue (B)
 - 1 skein #9729 red (C)
- Sizes E/4/3.5mm, F/5/3.75mm and H/8/5mm crochet hooks or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle
- Stitch marker



GAUGE

Size H hook: 7 dc = 2 inches;
7 dc rows = 4 inches

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join rounds with slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

DRESS

SKIRT

Row 1 (RS): Skirt is crocheted vertically with size H hook and A, beg at waistline, ch 41 [43, 47], hdc in 3rd ch from hook, hdc in each of next 9 chs, dc in each of next 30 [32, 36] chs, turn, place st marker at waistline. (40 [42, 46] sts)

Row 2: Ch 3 (counts as first dc), working in **back lps** (see *Stitch Guide*), dc in each of next 29 [31, 35] sts, hdc in back lps of each of next 10 sts, **change color** (see *Stitch Guide*) to B in last st, turn.

Row 3: Ch 1 (does not count as st), hdc in back lps of each of next 10 sts, dc in back lps of each of next 30 [32, 36] sts, turn.

Row 4: Rep row 2, change color to A.

Row 5: Rep row 3.

Rep rows 2–5 until total of 64 [72, 80] rows are completed, fasten off.

BODICE

Row 1 (RS): Working in ends of rows with size H hook, join A with sc in hdc end of Skirt (row with st marker), work 63 [71, 79] sc across ends of rows, fasten off, turn. (64 [72, 80] sc)

Row 2: With WS facing, join C with sl st in first st, ch 1, hdc in

same st as ch-1, hdc in each of next 63 [71, 79] sts, turn.

Rows 3–5: Ch 1, hdc in each hdc across, turn.

Right Back

Row 1: Ch 1, hdc in each of next 11 [13, 15] hdc, turn.

Row 2: Ch 1, hdc in each hdc across to last 2 hdc, **hdc dec** (see *Stitch Guide*) in next 2 sts, turn. (10 [12, 14] hdc)

Rows 3 & 4: Ch 1, hdc in each hdc across, turn.

Row 5: Ch 1, hdc in each of next 7 hdc, turn.

Row 6: Ch 1, hdc dec in next 2 sts, hdc in each of next 3 sts, hdc dec in next 2 sts, turn. (5 hdc)

Row 7: Ch 1, hdc dec in next 2 hdc, hdc in next hdc, hdc dec in next 2 hdc, turn. (3 hdc)

Row 8: Ch 1, [yo, insert hook in next st, yo, draw up a lp] 3 times, yo, draw through all 7 lps on hook.

Row 9: For shoulder strap, ch 30, sl st in 2nd ch from hook, sl st in each rem ch across, fasten off.

Left Back

Row 1: With WS facing, join C with sl st in 11th [13th, 15th] hdc from end of row, ch 1, hdc in same st as ch-1, hdc in each rem st across, turn. (11 [13, 15] hdc)

Rows 2–9: Rep rows 2–9 of Right Back.

FRONT BODICE

Row 1: With WS facing, sk next 8 sts of row 5 of Bodice, join C with sl st in next hdc, ch 1, hdc in each hdc across until 8 hdc rem of row 5 of Bodice, turn.

Rows 2–4: Ch 1, hdc in each hdc across, turn.

First Front

Rows 5–9: Rep rows 5–9 of Right Back.

2nd Front

Row 5: With WS facing, attach C in first hdc at armhole edge of row 4, ch 1, hdc in each of next 7 hdc, turn.

Rows 6–9: Rep rows 6–9 of Right Back.

Sew back seam of Skirt and Bodice. Tie shoulder straps in a bow.

STAR

Rnd 1: With size E hook and A, ch 2, 12 sc in 2nd ch from hook, join in first sc. (12 sc)

Rnd 2: [Ch 5, sl st in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next ch, hdc in next ch, dc in next ch, sk next sc of rnd 1, sl st in next sc] 6 times, leaving approximately 18 inches, fasten off. Sew Star to center front of Bodice.

HAT

Rnd 1: With size H hook and A, ch 2, 8 sc in 2nd ch from hook, **do not join**, use st marker to mark rnds.

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each sc around. (16 sc)

Rnd 3: [Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] around. (24 sc)

Rnd 4: [Sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc] around. (32 sc)

Rnd 5: [Sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc] around. (40 sc)

Rnd 6: [Sc in each of next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc] around. (48 sc)

Rnd 7: [Sc in each of next 5 sc, 2 sc in next sc] around. (56 sc)

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Rnd 8: [Sc in each of next 6 sc, 2 sc in next sc] around. (64 sc)

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All Sizes

Rnd 8 [9, 9]: Sc in each sc around.

Rep rnd 8 [9, 9] until Hat measures 6½ [6¾, 6¾] inches from beg, sl st in next st, fasten off.

EDGING

Rnd 1: Join B with sl st in sc of last rnd of Hat, ch 1, reverse sc in each sc around, join in beg sc, fasten off. Fold 6 rnds of Hat upward.

TIE

Make 2.

With size H hook, attach A on inside of Hat at fold, ch 45, sl st in 2nd ch from hook, sl st in each rem ch across, fasten off.

JACKET

BODICE

Row 1: With size H hook and B, ch 73 [81, 89] hdc in 3rd ch from hook, hdc in each ch across, turn. (72 [80, 88] hdc)

Rows 2–4: Ch 1, hdc in each hdc across, turn.

Right Front

Row 1: Ch 1, hdc in each of next 18 [20, 22] sts, turn.

Row 2: Rep row 1.

Row 3: Ch 1, **hdc dec** (see *Stitch Guide*) in next 2 sts, hdc in each rem st across, turn. (17 [19, 21] hdc)

Row 4: Ch 1, hdc in each st across to last 2 sts, hdc dec in last 2 sts, turn. (16 [18, 20] hdc)

Rows 5–9: Rep rows 3 and 4 until 11 [13, 15] hdc sts rem. Fasten off size 6 months only.

Sizes 12 & 18 Months Only

Row 10: Ch 1, hdc in each hdc across, turn. Fasten off size 12 months only.

Row 11: Ch 1, hdc in each hdc across, fasten off.

Back

Row 1: Join B with sl st in next st of row 4 of Jacket Bodice, ch 1, hdc in same st, hdc in each of next 35 [39, 43] hdc, turn. (36 [40, 44] hdc)

Rows 2–9 [10, 11]: Ch 1, hdc in each st across, turn. At the end of last row, fasten off.

Left Front

Row 1: Join B with sl st in next st of row 4 of Jacket Bodice, ch 1, hdc in each of next 18 [20, 22] hdc, turn.

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

Row 3: Ch 1, hdc in each st across to last 2 sts, hdc dec in last 2 sts, turn. (17 [19, 21] hdc)

Row 4: Ch 1, hdc dec in next 2 sts, hdc in each rem st across, turn. (16 [18, 20] hdc)

Rows 5–9: Rep rows 3 and 4 until 11 [13, 15] hdc sts rem, turn. Fasten off size 6 months only.

Sizes 12 & 18 Months Only

Row 10: Ch 1, hdc in each hdc across, turn. Fasten off size 12 months only.

Row 11: Ch 1, hdc in each hdc across, fasten off.

LOWER BODY

Row 1: With RS of Jacket Bodice facing and working in opposite side of foundation ch, attach B with sl st in first ch, ch 3 (*counts as first dc*), dc in same ch as beg ch-3, 2 dc in each ch across, turn. (144 [160, 176] dc)

Rows 2–7 [2–9, 2–11]: Ch 3, dc in each dc across, turn. At the end of last rep, fasten off.

SLEEVE

Make 2.

Row 1: With B, ch 29 [33, 33], hdc in 3rd ch from hook, hdc in each rem ch across, turn. (28 [32, 32] hdc)

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

Rep row 2 until Sleeve measures 6 [7½, 8] inches or desired length, fasten off.

Sew Jacket shoulder seams, sew Sleeves in armhole openings, sew Sleeve seam.

TRIM

Row 1 (RS): Join B with sc in lower Right Front, work 20 [23, 26] sc to V-neck shaping, work 3 sc in next st, work 8 [9, 10] sc to shoulder seam, work 14 [14, 16] sc across back neck, work 8 [9, 10] sc to base of V-neck shaping on opposite edge, 3 sc in next st, 21 [22, 27] sc to lower Left Front, fasten off.

SLEEVE TRIM

Rnd 1: With size F hook, join A at seam with sl st, ch 1, sc in each st around, join in beg sc.

Rnd 2: Ch 1, sc in each sc around, join in beg sc, fasten off.

COLLAR

Row 1: With size H hook, beg at back bottom of Collar, with A, ch 29 [29, 31], hdc in 3rd ch from hook, hdc in each rem ch across, turn. (28 [28, 30] hdc)

Rows 2–7: Ch 1, hdc in each hdc across, turn.

Left Shaping

Row 1: Ch 1, hdc in each of next 7 [7, 8] hdc, turn.

Row 2: Ch 1, hdc dec in next 2 sts, hdc in each rem st across, turn. (6 [6, 7] hdc)

Row 3: Rep row 2. (5 [5, 6] hdc)

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

Row 5: Rep row 2. (4 [4, 5] hdc)

Row 6: Ch 1, hdc in each st across to last 2 sts, hdc dec in next 2 sts, turn. (3 [3, 4] hdc)

Row 7: Ch 1, hdc dec in next 2 sts, hdc in next st, turn. (2 [2, 3] hdc)

Sizes 6 & 12 Months Only

Row 8: Ch 1, hdc dec in next 2 sts, fasten off. (1 [1] hdc)

Size 18 Months Only

Row 8: Ch 1, hdc dec in next 2 hdc, hdc in next hdc, turn. ([2] hdc)

Row 9: Ch 1, hdc dec in next 2 hdc, fasten off. ([1] hdc)

Right Shaping

Row 1: Sk center 14 [14, 16] hdc of row 7 of Collar, join A in next hdc, ch 1, hdc in same st, hdc in each of next 6 [6, 7] hdc, turn. (7 [7, 8] hdc)

Row 2: Ch 1, hdc in each hdc across to last 2 hdc, hdc dec in next 2 hdc, turn. (6 [6, 7] hdc)

Row 3: Rep row 2. (5 [5, 6] hdc)

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

Row 5: Rep row 2. (4 [4, 5] hdc)

Row 6: Ch 1, hdc dec in next 2 hdc, hdc in each rem st across, turn. (3 [3, 4] hdc)

Row 7: Ch 1, hdc across to last 2 sts, hdc dec in last 2 hdc, turn. (2 [2, 3] hdc)

Sizes 6 & 12 Months Only

Row 8: Ch 1, hdc dec in next 2 hdc, fasten off. (1 [1] hdc)

Size 18 Months Only

Row 8: Ch 1, hdc in next st, hdc dec in next 2 sts, turn. ([2] hdc)

Row 9: Ch 1, hdc dec in next 2 hdc, fasten off. ([1] hdc)

OUTER COLLAR EDGING

Row 1: With RS facing, join A with sc in lower point of Collar, work 20 [20, 22] sc to corner, 3 sc in corner, 26 [26, 28] sc to next corner, 3 sc in corner, work 21 [21, 23] sc to lower point of Collar, fasten off.

With RS facing, sl st Collar to Jacket neckline.

TIE

Make 2.

Working through both thicknesses of Collar and Jacket, join C at lower point of Collar, ch 25, sl st in 2nd ch from hook, sl st in each rem ch across, fasten off. After 2nd Tie is completed, tie ends in a bow. **CW**



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FINISHED SIZE

60 x 60 inches

MATERIALS

- Caron One Pound medium (worsted) weight yarn (16 oz/ 812 yds/454g per skein):
 - 34 oz #516 scarlet (A)
 - 29 oz #503 black (B)
 - 13 oz #501 white (C)
- Size 1/9/5.5mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Yarn needle
- 1-inch metal rings: 5



GAUGE

Scarlet square: 12 sts = 4 inches;
8 dc rows = 4 inches; 14 sc rows = 4 inches

Black square: 12 sts = 4 inches;
6 rows = 4 inches

Skull square: 12 sts = 4 inches;
13 rows = 4 inches

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join rounds with a slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

The front post double crochet are always worked around indicated stitches 2 rows below (1 row below row into which you would usually work.)

On even-numbered single crochet rows, work single crochet in each single crochet, working single crochet in skipped



stitches behind the post stitches, not in the front post double crochet stitches.

SPECIAL STITCHES

Extended double crochet (ext dc): Yo hook, insert hook in indicated st, yo, draw up lp, yo, draw through 1 lp on hook, [yo, draw through 2 lps on hook] twice.

Extended single crochet (ext sc): Insert hook in indicated st, yo, draw up lp, yo, draw through 1 lp on hook, yo, draw through 2 lps on hook.

Puff stitch (puff st): Yo hook, insert hook in indicated st, yo, draw up lp, yo, insert hook in same st, yo, draw up a lp, yo, draw through all 5 lps on hook.

SCARLET SQUARE

Make 4.

Row 1 (RS): With A, ch 51, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (50 sc)

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

Rows 3–10: Rep row 2.

Row 11: Ch 1, sc in each of next 12 sts, **fpdc** (see *Stitch Guide*) around each of next 4 sts, sc in each of next 18 sts, fpdc around each of next 4 sts, sc in each of next 12 sts, turn. (50 sts)

Row 12: Rep row 2.

Row 13: Ch 1, sc in each of next 10 sts, fpdc around each of next 8 sts, sc in each of next 14 sts, fpdc around each of next 8 sts, sc in each of next 10 sts, turn.

Row 14: Rep row 2.

Row 15: Ch 1, [sc in each of next 10 sts, fpdc around each of next 10 sts] twice, sc in each of next 10 sts, turn.

Row 16: Rep row 2.

Row 17: Ch 1, sc in each of next 8 sts, fpdc around each of next 12 sts, sc in each of next 10 sts, fpdc around each of next 12 sts, sc in each of next 8 sts, turn.

Row 18: Rep row 2.

Row 19: Ch 1, sc in each of next 6 sts, fpdc around each of next 14 sts, sc in each of next 10 sts, fpdc around each of next 14 sts, sc in each of next 6 sts, turn.

Row 20: Rep row 2.

Row 21: Rep row 19.

Row 22: Rep row 2.

Row 23: Ch 1, sc in each of next 6 sts, fpdc around each of next 16 sts, sc in each of next 6 sts, fpdc around each of next 16 sts, sc in each of next 6 sts, turn.

Row 24: Rep row 2.

Row 25: Ch 1, sc in each of next 8 sts, fpdc around each of next 16 sts, sc in each of next 2 sts, fpdc around each of next 16 sts, sc in each of next 8 sts, turn.

Row 26: Rep row 2.

Row 27: Ch 1, sc in each of next 14 sts, fpdc around each of next 22 sts, sc in each of next 14 sts, turn.

Row 28: Rep row 2.

Row 29: Ch 1, sc in each of next

16 sts, fpdc around each of next 18 sts, sc in each of next 16 sts, turn.

Row 30: Rep row 2.

Row 31: Ch 1, sc in each of next 18 sts, fpdc around each of next 14 sts, sc in each of next 18 sts, turn.

Row 32: Rep row 2.

Row 33: Rep row 31.

Row 34: Rep row 2.

Row 35: Rep row 29.

Row 36: Rep row 2.

Row 37: Rep row 27.

Row 38: Rep row 2.

Row 39: Rep row 25.

Row 40: Rep row 2.

Row 41: Rep row 23.

Row 42: Rep row 2.

Row 43: Rep row 21.

Row 44: Rep row 2.

Row 45: Rep row 19.

Row 46: Rep row 2.

Row 47: Rep row 17.

Row 48: Rep row 2.

Row 49: Rep row 15.

Row 50: Rep row 2.

Row 51: Rep row 13.

Row 52: Rep row 2.

Row 53: Rep row 11.

Rows 54–62: Rep row 2.

Edging

Rnd 63: Ch 1, sc evenly sp around outer edge of Square, working 3 sc in each corner, join in beg sc, fasten off.

BLACK SQUARE

Make 5.

Row 1: With B, ch 53, dc in 3rd ch from hook, *[**dc dec** (see *Stitch Guide*) in next 2 chs] twice, dc in each of next 2 chs, 2 dc in each of next 2 chs**, dc in each of next 2 chs, rep from * across, ending last rep at **, dc in next ch, 2 dc in last ch, turn. (52 sts)

Row 2: Ch 2 (counts as first dc), dc in next dc, *[dc dec in next 2 sc] twice, dc in each of next 2 dc, 2 dc in each of next 2 dc, dc in each of next 2 dc, rep from * across, turn. (52 sts)

Rows 3–24: Ch 2, dc in next dc, *[dc dec in next 2 dc] twice, dc in each of next 2 dc, 2 dc in each of next 2 dc, rep from * across, dc in last 2 dc, turn. (52 sts)

Row 25: Ch 2, dc in next dc, *[dc dec in next 2 dc] twice, dc in next 2 dc, 2 dc in each of next 2 dc, dc in each of next 2 dc, rep from * across, **change color** to A (see *Stitch Guide*) in last st, **do not turn**.

Edging

Rnd 26: Working in ends of rows along side edge, sc evenly to next corner, work (sc, ch 1, **ext dc**—see *Special Stitches*) in corner, working in starting ch on opposite side of row 1, [ext dc in next ch, dc in next ch, hdc in each of next 2 chs, sc in each of next 2 chs, hdc in each of next 2 chs, dc in next st, ext dc in last ch] across to next corner, (ext dc, ch 1, sc) in next corner, working in ends of rows along side edge, evenly sp sc across to next corner, 3 sc in corner, working in sts across row 25, [hdc in each of next 2 sts, dc in next st, ext dc in each of next 2 sts, dc in next st, hdc in each of next 2 sts, sc in each of next 2 sts] across to next corner, 2 sc in corner, join in beg sc.

Rnd 27: Ch 1, sc evenly around, working 2 sc in each corner, join in first sc, fasten off.

SKULL

Make 5.

Row 1 (WS): With C, ch 9, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (8 sc)

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Beach House Afghan

Design by Katherine Eng

SKILL LEVEL



FINISHED SIZE

44½ x 58 inches

MATERIALS

- Red Heart Super Saver medium (worsted) weight yarn (solid: 7 oz/364 yds/198g):
4 skeins #311 white
1 skein #512 turqua
- Red Heart Super Saver regular size medium (worsted) weight yarn (multi: 2½ oz/121 yds/70g per skein):
2 skeins #925 beach multi
- Size I/9/5.5mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Yarn needle



GAUGE

3 sc = 1 inch; first 4 rows = 2 inches at shell points

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join rounds with slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

SPECIAL STITCH

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

FIRST HALF

Row 1 (WS): With white, ch 165, work in **back lps** (see *Stitch Guide*) of ch, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, leaving last ch unworked, turn. (163 sc)



Simple stitches and beach glass colors will remind you of days at the seashore.

Row 2 (RS): Ch 1, sc in first sc, [ch 3, sk next 2 sc, sc in next sc] across, turn. (54 ch-3 sps)

Row 3 (WS): Ch 1, sc in first sc, [ch 3, sc in next ch-3 sp] across to last sc, ch 3, sc in last sc, turn.

Row 4: Ch 1, sc in first ch-3 sp, [**shell** (see *Special Stitch*) in next ch-3 sp, sc in next ch-3 sp] across, turn. (27 shells)

Row 5: Ch 3 (counts as first dc), 2 dc in same sc as ch-3, ch 1, sc in ch-2 sp of next shell, [ch 5, sc in ch-2 sp of next shell] across, ch 1, 3 dc in last sc, turn.

Row 6: Ch 1, sc in first dc, ch 3, sk next 3 sts, sc in next sc, [ch 3, sc in next ch-5 sp, ch 3, sc in next sc] across, ch 3, sc in last dc, turn.

Rows 7–38: [Rep rows 3–6 consecutively] 8 times. At the end of row 38 of First Half, fasten off.

2ND HALF

Row 2 (RS): Working on opposite side of foundation ch of row 1 of First Half, draw up lp in end sc, ch 1, sc in first st, [ch 3, sk next 2 chs, sc in next ch] across, turn. (54 ch-3 sps)

Rows 3–38: Rep rows 3–38 of First Half. At the end of row 38, do not fasten off, **do not turn.**

BORDER

Rnd 1: Working across top edge of Afghan (*ends of rows*), ch 1, sc

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Ocean Breeze Top

Design by **Bendy Carter**

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join rounds with slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

BACK

Row 1 (RS): With size E hook and ocean, ch 82 [90, 102, 110], sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (81 [89, 101, 109] sc)

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in same st as ch-1, [ch 1, sk next st, sc in next st] across, turn.

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An easy-to-wear top in seaside colors is sure to be a staple in your summer wardrobe.

SKILL LEVEL

■ ■ ■ □ INTERMEDIATE

FINISHED SIZES

Instructions given fit 32–34-inch bust (*small*); changes for 36–38-inch bust (*medium*), 40–42-inch bust (*large*) and 44–46-inch (*X-large*) are in [].

FINISHED GARMENT MEASUREMENTS

Bust: 36 inches (*small*) [40 inches (*medium*), 44 inches (*large*), 48 inches (*X-large*)]

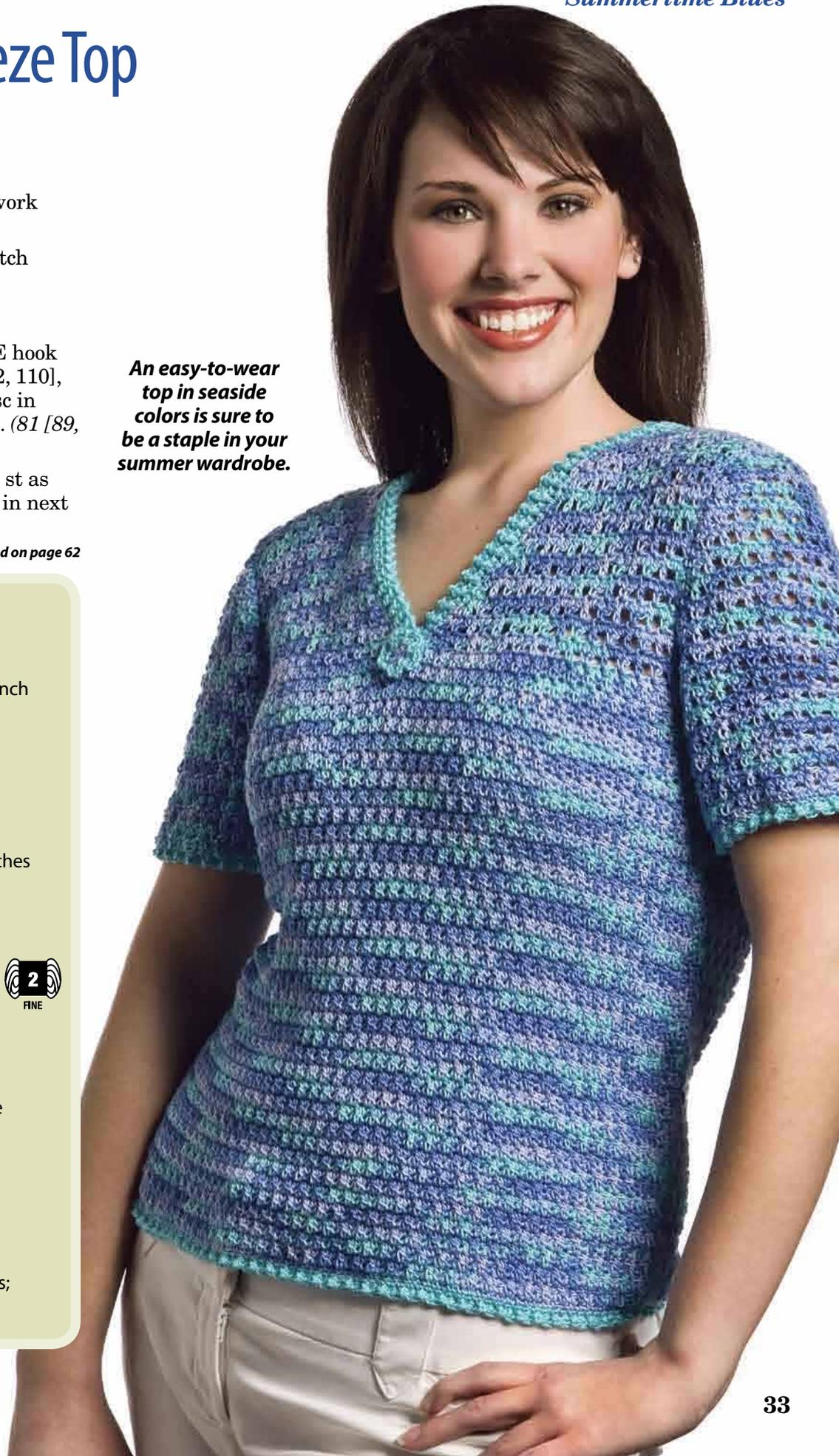
MATERIALS

- Red Heart LusterSheen fine (sport) weight yarn (4 oz/ 335 yds/113g per skein):
 - 4 [4, 5, 5] skeins #0995 ocean multi
 - 1 skein #0517 turquoise
- Sizes D/3/3.25mm and E/4/3.5mm crochet hooks or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle



GAUGE

Size E hook: 18 sts = 4 inches;
18 rows = 4 inches



Porch Pillows & Ripple Rug

Porch Pillows Designs by Phyllis Gould
& Ripple Rug Design by Patsy Harbor

SKILL LEVEL



PORCH PILLOWS FINISHED SIZES

Each 14 inches square

MATERIALS

- Peaches & Crème medium (worsted) weight yarn (2½ oz/122 yds/71g per ball):
 - Pillow #1: 2 balls #28 delft blue
 - 1 ball each #31 shocking pink, #11 sunburst, #33 persimmon and #21 shrimp
 - Pillow #2: 1 ball each #28 delft blue, #11 sunburst, #26 light blue and #12 gold
- Size H/8/5mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Yarn needle
- 14-inch-square pillow form: 2



GAUGE

4 sc and ch = 2 inches; 7 rows = 2 inches



Summertime, and the striping is easy! Simple stitches in two different colorways make porch decorating fun. Simple color changes stripe your favorite porch floor rug.

PORCH PILLOWS

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join rounds with slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

When working color change,

work crochet over ends as work progresses.

PILLOW #1 COLOR SEQUENCE

Rows 1 & 2: Delft blue.

Rows 3–5: Shocking pink.

Rows 6 & 7: Delft blue.

Rows 8–10: Sunburst.

Rows 11 & 12: Delft blue.

Rows 13–15: Persimmon.

Rows 16 & 17: Delft blue.

Rows 18–20: Shrimp.

Rows 21 & 22: Delft blue.

Rows 23–42: Rep color sequence of rows 3–22.

Rnd 43: Delft blue.

Rnd 44: Delft blue.

PILLOW #2 COLOR SEQUENCE

Rows 1 & 2: Delft blue.

Rows 3–5: Sunburst.

Rows 6 & 7: Light blue.

Rows 8–10: Gold.

Rows 11 & 12: Delft blue.

Rows 13–42: [Rep color sequence of rows 3–12 consecutively] 3 times.

Rows 43: Delft blue.

Rnd 44: Light blue.

PILLOW

Row 1 (RS): Ch 49, working in back ridge of foundation ch, dc in 4th ch from hook, dc in each rem ch across, turn. (47 dc)

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in same st as ch-1, [ch 1, sk next dc, sc in next dc] 23 times, turn. (23 ch-1 sps, 24 sc)

Row 3: Ch 1, sc in first sc, [sc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1, sk next sc] 22 times, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in last sc, turn. (22 ch-1 sps, 25 sc)

Row 4: Ch 1, sc in first sc, [ch 1, sk next sc, sc in next ch-1 sp] 22 times, ch 1, sk next sc, sc in next sc, turn. (23 ch-1 sps, 24 sc)

Rows 5–40: [Rep rows 3 and 4 alternately] 18 times.

Row 41: Rep row 3.

Row 42: Ch 3 (counts as first dc), dc in next sc, [dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next sc] 22 times, dc in next sc, **do not fasten off.** (47 dc)

EDGING

Rnd 43: Ch 3, dc evenly sp around outer edge working (dc, tr, dc) in each corner, join in 3rd ch of ch-3, fasten off.

ASSEMBLY

Rnd 44: Holding WS tog and working through both thicknesses, join with sc in any corner,

working left to right in every other st, [ch 2, sk next st, sc in next st] around 3 sides, insert pillow form, [ch 2, sk next st, sc in next st] across 4th side of Pillow, join in first sc, fasten off.

RIPPLE RUG

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Hold 2 strands together throughout, changing color combinations as indicated.

Shading is created by combining 2 strands of different colors, for example 2 strands of delft blue held together is denoted as AA, 1 strand each of delft blue and light blue is denoted as AB.

RUG

Row 1 (RS): With AA, ch 63, dc in 4th ch from hook, *dc in each of next 3 chs, [dc dec (see *Stitch Guide*) in next 2 chs] twice, dc in each of next 3 chs**, [2 dc in next ch] twice, rep from * across, ending last rep at **, 2 dc in last ch, turn. (60 dc)

Row 2: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, *sc in each of next 3 sts, [sc dec (see *Stitch Guide*) in next 2 sts] twice, sc in each of next 3 sts**, [2 sc in next st] twice, rep from * across, ending last rep at **, 2 sc in last st, **change color** (see *Stitch Guide*) dropping 1 strand of A and picking up 1 strand of B in last st (AB), turn.

Row 3: Ch 3 (counts as first dc), dc in same st as ch-3, *dc in each of next 3 sts, dc dec in next 2 sts] twice, dc in each of next 3 sts**, [2 dc in next st] twice, rep from * across, ending last rep at **, 2 dc in last st, turn.

Row 4: Rep row 2, dropping A and picking up 1 strand B (BB).

Row 5: Rep row 3.

Row 6: Rep row 2, changing color combination to AB in last st.

SKILL LEVEL



RIPPLE RUG

FINISHED SIZE

25 x 31 inches, excluding Fringe

MATERIALS

- Peaches & Crème Double Worsted bulky (chunky) weight yarn (5 oz/124 yds/142g per ball):
5 balls #28 delft blue (A)
2 balls each #26 light blue (B), #11 sunburst (C) and #12 gold (D)
- Size M/N/13/9mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle



GAUGE

10 dc = 4 inches; 5 rows = 4 inches

Row 7: Rep row 3.

Row 8: Rep row 2, changing color combination to AA in last st.

Rows 9 & 10: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, *sc in each of next 3 sts, [sc dec in next 2 sts] twice, sc in each of next 3 sts, [2 sc in next st] twice, rep from * across ending last rep with 2 sc in last st and at the end of row 10, drop both strands of A and pick up 2 strands of C, turn.

Rows 11 & 12: Rep rows 3 and 2, changing color combination to CD in last st of row 12.

Rows 13 & 14: Rep rows 3 and 2, changing color combination to DD in last st of row 14.

Rows 15 & 16: Rep rows 3 and 2, changing color combination to CD in last st of row 16.

Rows 17 & 18: Rep rows 3 and

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Octopus

Design by Donna Childs

SKILL LEVEL

■ ■ ■ □ □ EASY

FINISHED SIZE

Sitting: 9 inches tall, including Hat

Each leg: 9 inches long

MATERIALS

- Caron Simply Soft Brites medium (worsted) weight yarn (6 oz/315 yds/170g per skein):
1 skein each #9610 grape (MC), #9609 berry blue (CC), #9605 mango and #9611 rose violet



- Caron Simply Soft medium (worsted) weight yarn (6 oz/315 yds/170g per skein):
4 yds #9701 white
2 yds #9727 black
- Size G/6/4mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Yarn needle
- Fiberfill
- Straight pins

GAUGE

4 dc = 1 inch; 2 dc rnds = 2 inches in diameter

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join rounds with slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

BODY

Rnd 1: With MC, ch 4, join in first ch to form a ring, ch 3 (counts as first dc), 11 dc in ring, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (12 dc)



Everyone needs a beach hat! Our eight-armed friend is no exception.

Rnd 2: Ch 3, dc in same st as ch-3, 2 dc in each rem dc around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (24 dc)

Rnd 3: Ch 3, dc in same st as ch-3, dc in next st, [2 dc in next st, dc in next st] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (36 dc)

Rnd 4: Ch 3, dc in same st as beg ch-3, dc in each of next 2 sts, [2 dc in next st, dc in each of next 2 sts] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (48 dc)

Rnd 5: Ch 3, dc in same st as beg ch-3, dc in each of next 3 sts, [2 dc in next st, dc in each of next 3 sts] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (60 dc)

Rnd 6: Ch 3, dc in each st around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

Rnds 7–11: Rep rnd 6.

Rnd 12: Ch 3, dc dec (see *Stitch Guide*) in next 2 sts, [dc in next st, dc dec in next 2 sts] around,

join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (40 sts)

Rnd 13: Rep rnd 2. (80 dc)

Rnd 14: Rep rnd 6, **do not fasten off.**

FIRST LEG

Row 1: Ch 3, dc in each of next 9 sts, turn. (10 dc)

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in each of next 10 sts, turn. (10 sc)

Rows 3–8: [Rep rows 1 and 2 alternately] 3 times.

Row 9: Ch 3, dc dec in next 2 sts, dc in each of next 4 sts, dc dec in next 2 sts, dc in next st, turn. (8 dc)

Row 10: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 11: Ch 3, dc in each st across, turn.

Row 12: Rep row 10.

Row 13: Ch 3, dc dec in next 2 sts, dc in each of next 2 sts, dc

dec in next 2 sts, dc in next st, turn. (6 dc)

Rows 14–17: [Rep rows 10 and 11 alternately] twice.

Row 18: Rep row 10.

Row 19: Ch 3, [dc dec in next 2 sts] twice, dc in last st, turn. (4 dc)

Rows 20–23: [Rep rows 10 and 11 alternately] twice.

Row 24: Rep row 10.

Row 25: Ch 3, dc dec in next 2 sts, dc in last st, turn. (3 dc)

Row 26: Rep row 10.

Row 27: Ch 3, dc dec in next 2 sts, turn. (2 dc)

Row 28: Rep row 10.

Row 29: Ch 3, dc in next st, fasten off.

2ND LEG

Row 1: Attach MC in next unworked dc of rnd 14 of Body, ch 3, dc in each of next 9 sts, turn. (10 dc)

Rows 2–29: Rep rows 2–29 of First Leg.

3RD–8TH LEGS

Rep Rnds 1–29 of 2nd Leg.

UNDERBELLY

Rnds 1–5: With CC, rep rnds 1–5 of Body. (60 dc)

Rnd 6: Ch 3, dc in each of next 10 dc, 2 dc in next dc, [dc in each of next 11 dc, 2 dc in next dc] 3 times, join in 3rd ch of ch-3. (64 dc)

Rnd 7: Ch 3, dc in each dc around, join in 3rd ch of ch-3, **do not fasten off.**

FIRST LEG

Row 1: Ch 3, dc in each of next 7 dc, turn. (8 dc)

Row 2: Ch 1, [sc in first st, tr in next st] 3 times, sc in each of next 2 sts, turn. (8 sts)

Rows 3–8: [Rep rows 1 and 2 alternately] 3 times.

Row 9: Ch 3, dc dec in next 2 sts, dc in each of next 2 sts, dc dec in next 2 sts, dc in next st, turn. (6 sts)

Row 10: Ch 1, sc in first st, [tr in next st, sc in next st] twice, sc in next st, turn.

Row 11: Ch 3, dc in each st across, turn.

Rows 12–15: [Rep rows 10 and 11 alternately] twice.

Row 16: Rep row 10.

Row 17: Ch 3, [dc dec in next 2 sts] twice, dc in last st, turn. (4 sts)

Row 18: Ch 1, sc in first st, tr in next st, sc in each of next 2 sts, turn.

Row 19: Rep row 11.

Row 20: Rep row 18.

Row 21: Ch 3, dc dec in next 2 sts, leaving last st unworked, turn. (2 sts)

Row 22: Ch 1, sc in each of next 2 sc, turn.

Row 23: Ch 3, dc in next st, fasten off. (2 sts)

2ND–8TH LEG

Row 1: Join CC with sl st in next unworked st of Underbelly rnd 7, ch 3, dc in each of next 7 dc, turn.

Rows 2–23: Rep rows 2–23 of First Leg.

FACIAL FEATURES

Pupil

Make 2.

Rnd 1: With black, ch 4, join in first ch to form a ring, ch 3, 11 dc in ring, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3, fasten off. (12 dc)

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Citrus Splash

Design by Nazanin S. Fard for DMC

SKILL LEVEL

■ ■ ■ □ INTERMEDIATE

FINISHED SIZES

Instructions given fit 32–34-inch bust (*small*); changes for 36–38-inch bust (*medium*) and 40–42-inch bust (*large*) are in [].

FINISHED GARMENT MEASUREMENTS

Bust: 36 inches (*small*) [40 inches (*medium*), 44 inches (*large*)]

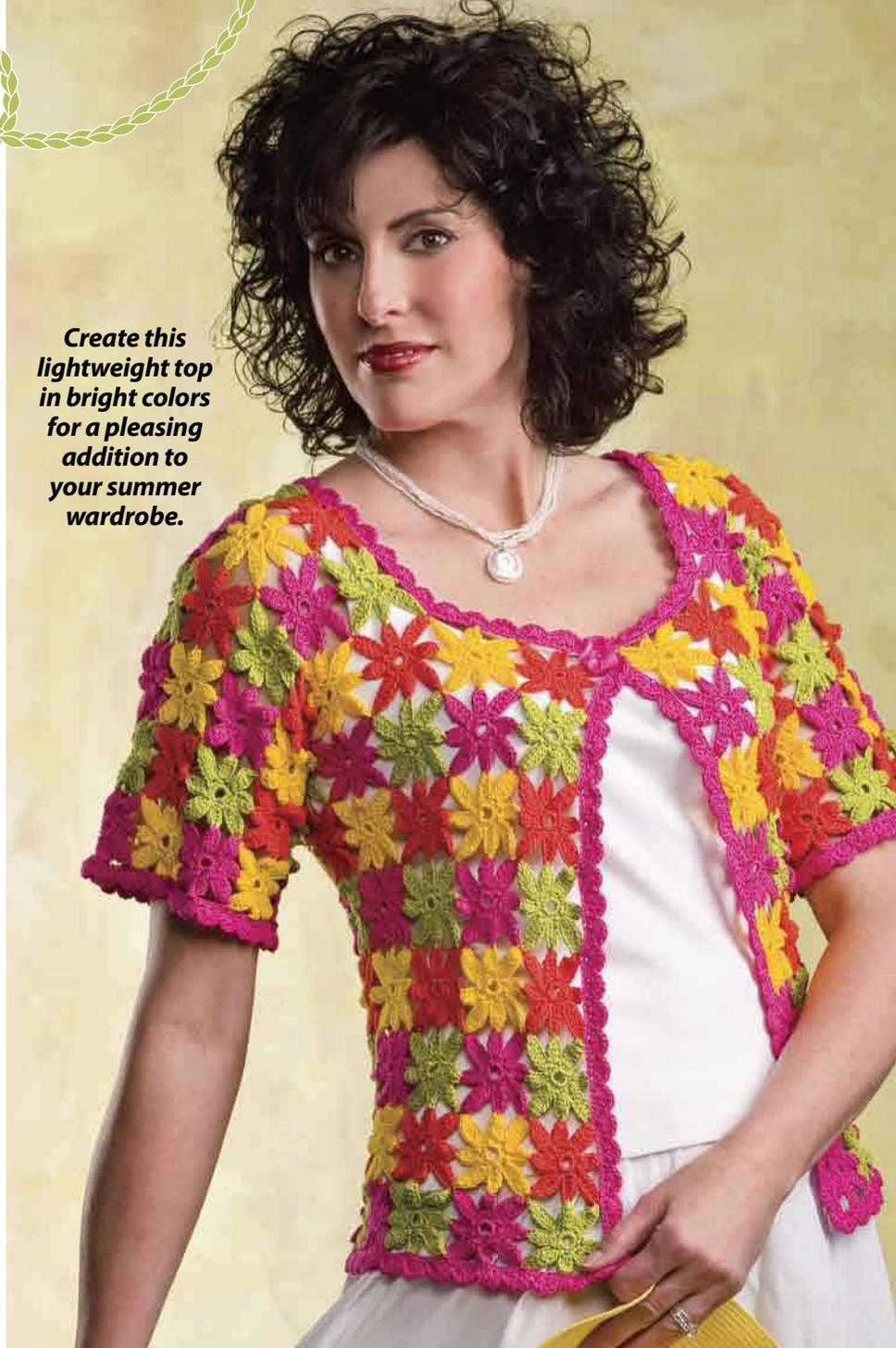
MATERIALS

- DMC Senso Cotton size 3 crochet cotton (150 yds per ball):
 - 3 [4, 4] balls #1008 fuchsia
 - 2 [3, 3] balls each #1009 anise green, #1003 sunflower and #1004 guava orange
- Size E/4/3.5mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Sewing needle
- White sewing thread
- 1-inch novelty flower button

GAUGE

4 motifs = 7½ inches wide x 8 inches tall

Create this lightweight top in bright colors for a pleasing addition to your summer wardrobe.



PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join with a slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

Work and join Motifs for body and sleeves according to diagrams on page 60.

FIRST MOTIF

Rnd 1: Ch 6, join in beg ch to form ring, ch 1, 8 sc in ring, join in beg sc. (8 sc)

Rnd 2: *Ch 7, sc in 2nd ch from hook, dc in each of next 5 chs, sl st in next st on ring, ch 5, sc in 2nd ch from hook, dc in each of next 3 chs** (*petal*), sl st in next st on ring, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in joining sl st of last rnd, fasten off.

1-SIDE JOINED MOTIF

Rnd 1: Ch 6, join in beg ch to form ring, ch 1, 8 sc in ring, join in beg sc. (8 sc)

Rnd 2: Ch 7, sl st in end of corresponding petal on other Motif, sc in 2nd ch from hook on this Motif, dc in each of next 5 chs, sl st in next st on ring, ch 5, sl st in end of next petal on other Motif, sc in 2nd ch from hook on this Motif, dc in each of next 3 chs, sl st in next st on ring, ch 7, sl st in end of next petal on other Motif, sc in 2nd ch from hook on this Motif, dc in each of next

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(By Brenda Keith)

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SKILL LEVEL

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FINISHED SIZE

15¼ inches at neck edge, excluding clasp; 8 inches from center neck to last ch-9 sp

MATERIALS

- DMC embroidery floss (8½ yds per skein):
 - 5 skeins #842 beige
- Size 1/2.25mm steel crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Needle (that fits through holes in shells)
- Lobster-claw clasp and ring
- 20 various abalone shell pieces, sliced drupa shells and cowrie shell beads

GAUGE

8 dc = 1 inch

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Before beginning, string beads and clasp as follows: the first pieces to get crocheted in will be the lobster-claw clasp and ring, therefore these should be strung first. As this project takes several skeins of floss to finish, wait and string the shells/beads onto the 2nd skein. The order is random and shells are added in as desired. Take care to stagger

Embroidery floss and shell beads become a quick and easy adornment.



the arrangement of the beads/shells so there is space between each one. To add a shell or bead, chain 4, push bead/shell up next to hook, chain 4. The effect should be that of a fisherman's net with shells caught up in it. Other small shells with holes, small sand dollars or dried sea horses could be used as well. Let your imagination be your guide!

NECKLINE

Row 1: Ch 117, slide lobster-claw clasp up next to hook, dc in 3rd ch from hook, dc in each rem ch across to last ch, yo, draw up a lp, yo, draw through 2 lps on hook, slide ring up next to hook, yo, draw through rem 2 lps on hook, turn. (115 dc)

Row 2: Ch 9, sk first 5 dc, sc in next dc, [ch 9, sk next 5 dc, sc

in next dc] 18 times, turn. (19 ch-9 sps)

Note: Beg with row 3 beads and shells can be added as desired.

Row 3: Sl st to center of last ch-9 sp, ch 1, sl st in same ch sp, [ch 9, sc in next ch-9 sp] 18 times, turn. (18 ch-9 sps)

Row 4: Sl st to center of last ch-9 sp, ch 1, sl st in same ch sp, [ch 9, sc in next ch-9 sp] 17 times, turn. (17 ch-9 sps)

Row 5: Sl st to center of last ch-9 sp, ch 1, sl st in same ch sp, [ch 9, sc in next ch-9 sp] across, turn. (16 ch-9 sps)

Rows 6–20: Rep row 5, with 1 ch-9 sp less each row adding shells and beads as desired. At the end of row 20, 1 ch-9 sp rem. 

Jelly Bag

Design by Corinne Brunelle

SKILL LEVEL

■ ■ ■ ■ ■ EASY

FINISHED SIZE

6 x 10 inches, excluding handles

MATERIALS

- Rexlace plastic braiding (100 yds per spool):
 - 1 spool #16 clear blue
- Size H/8/5mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle
- Sewing thread
- 7-inch lacquered black bamboo purse handles
- 1 yd ribbon black marble bead strip

GAUGE

18 hdc = 5 inches

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join rounds with a slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

PURSE

Rnd 1: With clear blue, ch 37, hdc in 3rd ch from hook, hdc in each rem ch across, working on opposite side of foundation ch, hdc in each ch across, join in beg ch. (70 hdc)

Rnds 2–13: Ch 2 (counts as first hdc), hdc in each hdc around, join in 2nd ch of ch-2. At the end of rnd 13, leaving a 2-inch length, fasten off and weave rem length into purse. Leave enough clear blue as it's a slippery material and could unweave itself.

ATTACHING HANDLES

Rnd 1: With rnd 14 flat and working across 35 sc across front edge, join clear blue with sc in first sc, sc in each of next 7 sc, *holding handle next to sc, working over handle and in sc, sc in each of next 19 sc, working in sc sts only, sc in each of next 8 sc, *working across back edge, sc in each of next 8 sc, rep from * to *, join in first sc, leaving 2-inch length, fasten off. Weave rem length into piece.

TRIM

With tapestry needle and matching thread, tack ribbon of beaded strip to top edge around Purse. Secure ends and fasten off. **CW**

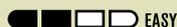


A nontraditional use of materials makes this summertime project extra-special.

Fun in the Sun

Designs by Lori Zeller

SKILL LEVEL



FINISHED SIZE

Fits 11½-inch (*female*) and 12-inch (*male*) fashion dolls

MATERIALS

- Aunt Lydia's Classic Crochet size 10 crochet cotton (white: 400 yds per ball; solids: 350 yds per ball):
 - 100 yds each #480 delft and #486 navy
 - 30 yds #1 white
- Size 5/1.90mm steel crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle
- Sewing needle
- Blue sewing thread
- 2 snap fasteners
- Fiberfill

GAUGE

10 sc = 1 inch; 10 sc rnds = 1 inch

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join rounds with slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

HER SWIMSUIT

WAISTLINE

Row 1: Beg at waistline with delft, ch 6, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (5 sc)

Rows 2–30: Ch 1, working in **back lps** (see *Stitch Guide*) only, sc in each st across, turn.

BODICE

Row 1: Working in ends of rows on Waistline, ch 1, work 31 sc across, turn. (31 sc)

Row 2: Ch 1, sk first sc, sc in each sc across until 2 sc rem, sk next sc, sc in last sc, turn. (29 sc)

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

Rows 4–11: [Rep rows 2 and 3 alternately] 4 times. (21 sc)

Row 12: Rep row 3.

Row 13: Ch 1, sk first sc, sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in each of next 2 sc, [sc in each of next 3 sc, sk next sc] twice, sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc in each of next 2 sc, sc in next sc, sk next sc, sc in last sc, turn. (21 sc)

Rows 14 & 15: Rep row 3.

First Side of Top

Row 16: Ch 1, sk first sc, sc in each of next 9 sc, leaving rem sts unworked, turn. (9 sc)

Rows 17–23: Ch 1, sk first st, sc in each st across, turn. (2 sc at end of last row)

Rows 24–30: Rep row 3.

Row 31: Rep row 3, fasten off.

2nd Side of Top

Row 16: Sk next unworked st on row 15, attach delft with sc in next sc, sc in each of next 7 sc, sk next sc, sc in last sc, turn. (9 sc)

Rows 17–31: Rep rows 17–31 of First Side of Top.

BOTTOM

Row 1: Attach delft with sc in bottom edge of Waistband, work 30 sc across, turn. (31 sc)

Row 2: Ch 1, [sc in each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc] across to last st, sc in last sc, turn. (41 sc)

Row 3: Ch 1, sc in each of next 2 sc, [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 2 sc] across, turn. (54 sc)

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

Rows 5 & 6: Rep row 4.

Row 7: Ch 1, sc in each sc around, join in first sc, turn.

Row 8: Ch 1, sc in each sc around, join in first sc, fasten off, turn.

Row 9: Sk first 21 sc, attach delft with sc in next sc, sc in each of next 11 sc, turn. (12 sc)

Rows 10–13: Ch 1, sk first sc, sc in each sc across to last 2 sc, sk next sc, sc in last sc, turn. (4 sc)

Rows 14–16: Rep row 4.

Rows 17–22: Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in each sc across to last sc, 2 sc in last sc, turn. (16 sc)

Row 23: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, leaving a 6-inch length, fasten off.

Sew row 23 centered across bottom back of row 8 of Swimsuit.

TOP TRIM

Attach delft at bottom of back opening, sl st up back opening of Swimsuit, around entire top and

down back opening to beg of rnd, fasten off.

Sew snap fastener at back
Waistline opening and neckline
of Swimsuit.

HIS TRUNKS

WAISTBAND

Row 1: With delft, ch 4, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (3 sc)

Rows 2–44: Ch 1, working in **back lps** (see *Stitch Guide*) only, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 45: Hold row 44 to opposite side of foundation ch, working through both thicknesses, sl st in each st across, turn Waistband RS out.

PANTS

Rnd 1: Working in ends of Waistband rows, ch 1, work 49 sc evenly sp around Waistband, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*) in first sc, turn. (49 sc)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, sc in each st around, join in beg sc, turn.

Rnd 3: Ch 2 (counts as first dc), dc in each st around, join in 2nd ch of beg ch-2.

Rnd 4: Drop delft to WS, attach navy with sl st, ch 1, sc in each st around, join in first sc, turn.

Rnd 5: Drop navy to WS, draw up a lp of delft, ch 2, dc in each st around, join in 2nd ch of beg ch-2.

Rnds 6–8: Rep rows 2–4.

First Leg

Rnd 9: Drop navy to WS, draw up a lp of delft, ch 3 (to form crotch), sk next 24 sts, sl st in next st, ch 2, dc in each rem st around, dc in each ch of beg ch-3 of crotch, join in 2nd ch of ch-2, turn.

Rnd 10: Rep rnd 2.

Rnd 11: Ch 2, dc in each st

Even fashion dolls need a little R & R—here's summertime fun for everyone!



around, join in 2nd ch of beg ch-2, **do not turn.**

Rnd 12: Drop delft to WS, draw up a lp of navy, ch 1, sc in each st around, join in first sc, fasten off both delft and navy.

2nd Leg

Rnd 9: Attach delft in first unworked st of rnd 8, ch 2, dc in each st around opening, join in 2nd ch of ch-2.

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Special Occasions

Wedding Afghan

Design by Darla Sims

SKILL LEVEL

■ ■ ■ □ INTERMEDIATE

FINISHED SIZE

45 x 62 inches

MATERIALS

- Red Heart Soft Yarn medium (worsted) weight yarn (5 oz/256 yds/140g per skein):
8 skeins #4600 white
- Size 1/9/5.5mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle



GAUGE

7 dc = 2 inches

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join rounds with slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

SPECIAL STITCH

Puff stitch (puff st): [Yo, insert hook in indicated st, yo, draw up a lp] 3 times, yo, draw through all 4 lps on hook.

AFGHAN

Row 1 (RS): Ch 133, dc in 4th ch from hook, dc in each rem ch across, turn. (131 dc)

Row 2 (WS): Ch 1, (sc, ch 4, **puff st**—see *Special Stitch*) in first dc, [sk next 2 dc, (sc, ch 4, puff st) in next dc] across to last 4 sts, sk next 3 dc, sc in last st, turn.

Row 3: Ch 3 (*counts as first dc*), work 3 dc in each ch-4 sp



Quick and easy, this wedding afghan will be treasured by any happy couple.

across, dc in last st, turn.

Row 4: Ch 3, *sk first dc of next 3-dc group, dc in each of next 2 dc, working in front of last 2 dc, dc in sk dc, rep from * across, ending with dc in last st, turn.

Row 5: Ch 3, dc in each st across, turn.

Rep rows 2–5 until Afghan measures approximately 62 inches, ending with row 3.

BORDER

Rnd 1: Working across lower Afghan, join white with sc in corner, work sc in same st, *ch 10, sl st in 10th ch from hook, sc in same st, ch 4, puff st in same st, sk next 2 sts**, sc in next st, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in first sc, fasten off. **cw**

Beaded Shells Change Purse

Design by Christina McMahon



*An elegant little project
with easy beading.*

SKILL LEVEL

■■■■■ INTERMEDIATE

FINISHED SIZE

5 inches from top of purse clasp to bottom of shell border, 5¾ inches at widest point

MATERIALS

- America's Best Perle Cotton size 5 crochet cotton (230 yds per ball):
 - 1 ball #46 abby rose
- Size B/1/2.25mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Size 7/1.65mm steel crochet hook
- Tapestry needle
- Size 6 glass beads #16601 opal ice: 82
- 2½ x 3½-inch gold mini purse clasp by Brucilla
- 20-inch gold large wide cable chain by Blue Moon Beads
- Needle-nose pliers

GAUGE

Size B hook: 8 dc = 1 inch;
3 dc rows = ¾ inch

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join rounds with slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

When starting double crochet round, use long chain-1, the same height as a double crochet, then double crochet in same space as join. This will eliminate the gap that chain-3 would create.

Thread 82 glass beads onto abby rose. Push beads along cotton until needed.

Bead single crochet rounds are crocheted with wrong side facing.

SPECIAL STITCHES

Shell: 5 dc in indicated st.

Bead single crochet (bead sc): Insert hook, slide bead up next to hook, draw up lp, yo, draw through both lps on hook.

PURSE

Rnd 1: Open purse clasp, with size 7 steel hook, sl st in first hole on right next to clasp join, ch 1, *sc in each hole across, ch 4, sc in purse clasp join hole, ch 4, rep from * around, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*), **do not turn.** (70 sc, 4 ch-4 sps)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, sc in each sc around and work 5 sc in each

ch-4 sp, join in beg sc, do not turn. (90 sc)

Rnd 3: Ch 1, sc in each sc around, join in beg sc, do not turn, change to size B hook for remainder of Purse.

Rnd 4: Ch 1 loosely (see *Pattern Notes*), dc in each st around, join in first sc, turn.

Rnd 5 (WS): Ch 1, **bead sc** (see *Special Stitches*) in first st, sc in each of next 4 sts, [bead sc in next st, sc in each of next 4 sts] around, join in beg sc, turn.

Rnd 6 (RS): Ch 1 loosely, dc in each st around, join in first dc, turn.

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Sunflower Casserole Carrier

Design by Debra Arch

SKILL LEVEL



FINISHED SIZE

Fits 2½-quart glass casserole dish with lid

MATERIALS

- Peaches & Crème Double Worsted bulky (chunky) weight yarn (5 oz/124 yds/142g per ball):
11 oz #121 chocolate
10 oz #12 gold
- Sizes H/8/5mm and L/11/8mm crochet hooks or sizes needed to obtain gauge
- Yarn needle



GAUGE

Size H hook: 3 chs = 1 inch

Size L hook: 2 sc = 1 inch;

4 sc rows = 2 inches

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join rounds with a slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

Work with 2 strands held together throughout unless otherwise stated.

BASE

Rnd 1: With size L hook and chocolate, ch 1, 8 sc in first ch, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*) in first sc. (8 sc)

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

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

Rnd 4: Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in each of next 2 sc, [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 2 sc] around, join in first sc. (32 sc)

Rnd 5: Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in each of next 3 sc, [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 3 sc] around, join in first sc. (40 sc)

Rnd 6: Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in each of next 4 sc, [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 4 sc] around, join in first sc. (48 sc)

Rnd 7: Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in each of next 5 sc, [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 5 sc] around, join in beg sc. (56 sc)

Rnd 8: Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in each of next 6 sc, [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 6 sc] around, join in first sc. (64 sc)

Rnd 9: Working in back lps for this rnd only, ch 1, (sc, ch 1, sc) in same st as beg ch-1, sc in each of next 7 sc, [(sc, ch 1, sc) in next sc, sc in each of next 7 sc] around, join in beg sc, fasten off. (72 sc)

Rnd 10: Join chocolate with sl st in 4th sc from last joined st on rnd 9 (5th sc of 9-sc between ch-1 sps), ch 1, sc in same sc as beg ch-1, sc in each of next 3 sc, [sk next sc, sc in next ch-1 sp, sk next sc, sc in each of next 7 sc] around, sc in each of next 3 sc, join in beg sc. (64 sc)

Rnd 11: Ch 1, sc in same sc as beg ch-1, sc in each of next 3 sc, [fpdc (see *Stitch Guide*) in next sc of previous rnd, sc in each of next 7 sc] around, sc in each of next 3 sc, join in beg sc. (64 sts)

Rnds 12–14: Ch 1, sc in same sc as beg ch-1, sc in each of next 3 sc, [fpdc around fpdc of previous rnd, sc in each of next 7 sc] around, sc in each of next 3 sc, join in beg sc. At the end of rnd 14, fasten off. (64 sts)

PETAL TOPPER HALF

Make 2.

Rnd 1: With size H hook and chocolate, ch 16, join in first ch to form a ring, change to size L hook, ch 1, sc in each of first 8 chs, fasten off. (8 sc)

First Petal

Row 2: Now working in rows, attach gold in **back lp** (see *Stitch Guide*) of first sc of row 1, ch 1, 2 sc in back lp of first sc, sc in back lp of next st, turn. (3 sc)

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

Row 4: Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in next sc, 2 sc in last sc, turn. (5 sc)

Row 5: Rep row 3. (5 sc)

Row 6: Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in each sc across to last sc, 2 sc in last sc, turn. (7 sc)

Row 7: Rep row 3. (7 sc)

Toting your favorite casserole to the family picnic will be a snap with this pretty and practical casserole carrier.

Row 8: Join Petal to base between fpdc sts as follows, place top of Petal row 7 between fpdc on WS of last rnd of Base (rnd 14), ch 1, insert hook in first sc of Petal and in first sc of Base, yo, draw up lp, yo, draw through all lps on hook, [insert hook in next sc of Petal and in next sc of Base, yo, draw up lp, yo, draw through all lps on hook] 6 times, turn. (7 sc)

Row 9: Ch 1, sc dec (see *Stitch Guide*) in next 2 sc, sc in each of next 3 sc, sc dec in next 2 sc, turn. (5 sc)

Row 10: Rep row 3. (5 sc)

Row 11: Ch 1, sc dec in next 2 sc, sc in next sc, sc dec in next 2 sc, turn. (3 sc)

Row 12: Ch 1, [insert hook in next sc, yo, draw up a lp] 3 times, yo, draw through all 4 lps on hook, fasten off.

2nd Petal

Row 2: With size L hook, attach gold in back lp of next sc of rnd 1 of Petal Topper Half, ch 1, 2 sc in back lp of same sc as beg ch-1, sc in back lps of next sc, turn. (3 sc)

Rows 3–12: Rep rows 3–12 of First Petal.

3rd & 4th Petals

Rows 2–12: Rep rows 2–12 of 2nd Petal.

Petal Edging

Row 1: With size L hook, attach 1 strand of gold in side edge of row 1 of First Petal, *ch 1, sc in same row as beg ch-1, sc in side edge of each row, (sc, ch 1, sc) in tip of Petal (row 12), sc in side edge of each row down opposite edge of same Petal**, sl st in side edge of row 1 on next Petal, rep from *, ending last rep at **, sl st in same row as last sc, fasten off.

HANDLE

Make 2.

Rnd 1 (RS): With size L hook and chocolate, ch 33, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each ch across to last ch, (sc, ch 1) twice and sc in last ch, working on opposite side of foundation ch, sc in each ch across to last ch, (sc, ch 1) twice in last ch, join in first sc, fasten off.

FINISHING

Thread yarn needle with a length of chocolate, sew first end of Handle to rnd 14 of Base between First and 2nd Petals. Sew opposite end of same Handle to rnd 14 of Base between 3rd and 4th Petals.

Sew 2nd Handle to opposite edge of carrier.

Insert casserole dish into carrier and secure the ch lps of rnd 1 of each Petal Topper Half over the knob on the glass lid. **cw**

Stars & Stripes Afghan

Design by Barbara Roy

SKILL LEVEL



FINISHED SIZE

45 x 61 inches

MATERIALS

- Red Heart Super Saver medium (worsted) weight yarn (7 oz/364 yds/198g per skein):
 - 3 skeins each #319 cherry red and #311 white
 - 2 skeins #387 soft navy
- Size F/5/3.75mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Yarn needle



GAUGE

4 sc = 1 inch; 4 sc rows = 1 inch

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join rounds with slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

PANEL

Make 5.

Row 1 (RS): With cherry red, ch 182, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (181 sc)

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

Rows 3–6: Rep row 2. At the end of last rep, fasten off cherry red.



Bunting stripes and stars add up to a patriotic showpiece.

Row 7: Attach white with sl st in first sc, rep row 2.

Rows 8–12: Rep row 2. At the end of last rep, fasten off white.

Row 13: Attach cherry red with sl st in first sc, rep row 2.

Rows 14–18: Rep row 2. At the end of last rep, fasten off cherry red.

Rows 19–30: Rep rows 7–18. At the end of row 30, fasten off. (181 sc)

PANEL EDGING

Rnd 1: With RS facing, join soft navy with sl st in last st of row 30, ch 1, sc in same st as ch-1, sc in each st across to last st, work 3 sc in last st, sc in each row across to last st of row 1, 3 sc in last st, sc in each st across to first st of row 1, 3 sc in first st, sc in each row across to first st of row 30, 2 sc in same st as beg

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Graduation Hot Pad & Coasters Set

Design by Susan Lowman

SKILL LEVEL

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FINISHED SIZES

Cap hot pad: 6¼ x 6⅝ inches

Coaster: 3¾ x 4 inches

MATERIALS

- Aunt Lydia's Classic Crochet size 10 crochet cotton (white: 400 yds per ball; solids: 350 yds per ball):
 - 200 yds #1 white (A)
 - 75 yds #12 black (B)
 - 65 yds #480 delft (C)
 - 20 yds #421 goldenrod (D)
 - 45 yds #487 dark royal (E)
- Sizes 10/1.15mm and 7/1.65mm steel crochet hooks or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle

GAUGE

Size 10 steel hook: 11 mesh = 3 inches; 4 mesh rows = 1 inch

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join rounds with a slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

The “wiggles” are formed by working double crochet stitches over indicated vertical post of double crochet stitches and over chain-2 spaces of Foundation Mesh.

When following chart, follow the direction of the arrow and the color used, and change color as indicated.

HOT PAD

FOUNDATION MESH

Row 1 (RS): With size 10 hook



Tabletop accessories commemorate the graduate's special day.

and A, ch 68, dc in 8th ch from hook, [ch 2, sk next 2 chs, dc in next ch] 20 times, turn. (21 open mesh)

Row 2: Ch 5 (counts as first dc, ch-2), [sk next 2 chs, dc in next ch, ch 2] 20 times, sk next 2 chs, dc in next ch, turn.

Rows 3–21: Rep row 2. At the end of row 21, fasten off.

Mesh will measure 5¼ x 5¾ inches when completed and will stretch when wiggles are completed.

WIGGLES

With RS facing and size 7 hook, join B with sl st in last ch-2 sp on row 21 (dot on chart in top left corner), ch 3 (counts as first dc), 3 dc in same ch-2 sp, follow arrow around to dot, working 4 dc around each dc post and in each ch-2 sp and 8 dc in ch-5 corner sps, join with sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3, fasten off.

Work other sections in same manner, starting at dot and

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Shopper's Dream Shrug & Mango Cloche

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32] sc, turn. (24 [26, 29, 32] sc)

Row 2: Ch 1, sc across to last 2 sc, sc dec in next 2 sc, turn. (23 [25, 28, 31] sc)

Row 3: Ch 1, sc dec in next 2 sc, sc in each rem sc across, turn. (22 [24, 27, 30] sc)

Rep rows 2 and 3 until there are 20 [21, 23, 25] sc.

Rep row 2 on 20 [21, 23, 25] sc until Front measures 14 inches from beg, ending at neck edge, turn.

Neck Shaping

Row 1: Sl st in each of next 4 sts, ch 1, sc in each of next 16 [17, 19, 21] sc turn.

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in each sc across to last 2 sc, sc dec in next 2 sc, turn. (15 [16, 18, 20] sc)

Row 3: Ch 1, sc dec in next 2 sc, sc in each rem sc across, turn. (14 [15, 17, 19] sts)

Rep rows 2 and 3 until 12 [13, 15, 17] sc rem, ending at shoulder edge, turn.

Shoulder Shaping

Row 1: Sl st in each of first 4 sts, ch 1, sc in each rem sc across, turn. (8 [9, 11, 13] sc)

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in each of next 4 [5, 7, 9] sc, turn. Fasten off sizes small, medium and large.

For Size X-Large Only

Row 3: Sl st in each of first 2 sc, ch 1, sc in each of next 7 sc, fasten off.

SLEEVE

Make 2.

Note: For ease in keeping track of increased sts, use st markers at each inc. Move st markers as work progresses.

Row 1: Sc foundation st until total of 30 [32, 33, 35] sc foundation sts are completed, turn.

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

Row 3: Rep row 2.

Row 4: Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in each st across to last sc, 2 sc in last sc, turn. (32 [34, 35, 37] sc)

Rows 5–16: [Rep rows 2–4 consecutively] 4 times. (40 [42, 43, 45] sc)

Rows 17–19: Rep row 2.

Armhole Shaping

Row 20: Sl st in each of first 4 sc, ch 1, sc in each of next 32 [34, 35, 37] sc, leaving rem 4 sts unworked, turn. (32 [34, 35, 37] sc)

Sleeve Cap

Row 21: Ch 1, sc dec in each of next 2 sc, sc in each sc across to last 2 sc, sc dec in next 2 sc, turn. (30 [32, 33, 35] sc)

Rep row 21 until 8 [8, 9, 9] sc rem, fasten off.

FINISHING

Sew shoulder, side and underarm seams. Sew Sleeves into armhole openings.

CLOCHE

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join rounds with slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

INSTRUCTIONS

Rnd 1: Ch 6, join in first ch to form a ring, ch 5 (counts as first dc, ch 2), [dc in ring, ch 2] 7 times, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-5. (8 dc, 8 ch-2 sps)

Rnd 2: Sl st in ch-2 sp, ch 1, 3 sc in same ch-2 sp, 3 sc in each rem ch-2 sp around, join in first sc. (24 sc)

Rnd 3: Ch 3 (counts as first dc), dc in each of next 2 sc, ch 2, [dc in each of next 3 sc, ch 2] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (24 dc)

Rnd 4: Ch 3, dc in same st as beg ch-3, dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc, ch 2, [2 dc in next dc, dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc, ch 2] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (40 dc)

Rnd 5: Ch 3, dc in same st as beg ch-3, dc in each of next 3 dc, 2 dc in next dc, ch 2, [2 dc in next dc, dc in each of next 3 dc, 2 dc in next dc, ch 2] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (56 dc)

Rnd 6: Ch 3, dc in same st as beg ch-3, dc in each of next 5 dc, 2 dc in next dc, ch 2, [2 dc in next dc, dc in each of next 5 dc, 2 dc in next dc, ch 2] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (72 dc)

Rnd 7: Ch 3, dc in each of next 3 dc, ch 1, sk 1 dc, dc in each of next 4 dc, ch 2, [dc in each of next 4 dc, ch 1, sk 1 dc, dc in each of next 4 dc, ch 2] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

Rnd 8: Ch 3, dc in each of next 2 dc, ch 1, sk next dc, dc in next

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SKILL LEVEL

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CLOCHE

FINISHED SIZE

One size fits most

MATERIALS

- Caron Simply Soft Brites medium (worsted) weight yarn (6 oz/315 yds/170g per skein): 1 skein #9605 mango
- Size H/8/5mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Yarn needle



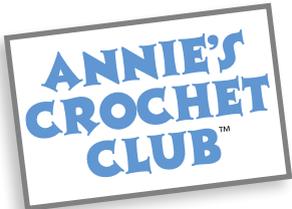
GAUGE

7 dc = 2 inches; 4 dc rnds = 2 inches



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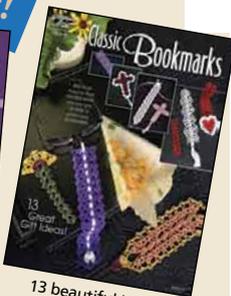
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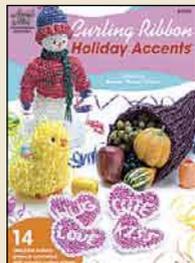
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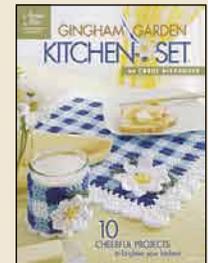
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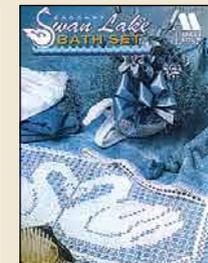
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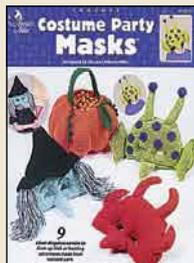
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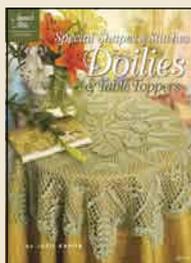
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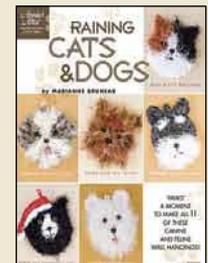
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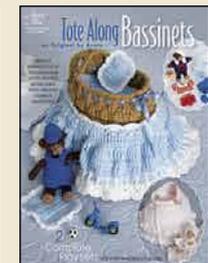
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ch-1 sp, ch 1, sk next dc, dc in each of next 3 dc, ch 2, [dc in each of next 3 dc, ch 1, sk next dc, dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1, sk next dc, dc in each of next 3 dc, ch 2] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

Rnd 9: Ch 3, dc in each of next 2 dc, dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1, sk next dc, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in each of next 3 dc, ch 2, [dc in

each of next 3 dc, dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1, sk next dc, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in each of next 3 dc, ch 2] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

Rnd 10: Ch 3, dc in each of next 3 dc, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in each of next 4 dc, ch 2, [dc in each of next 4 dc, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in each of next 4 dc, ch 2] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

Rnds 11 & 12: Ch 3, dc in each of next 8 dc, ch 2, [dc in each of next 9 dc, ch 2] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

Rnd 13: Ch 3, dc in each of next 8 dc, ch 1, [dc in each of next 9 dc, ch 1] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

Rnd 14: Ch 3, dc in each of next 8 dc, sk next ch-1 sp, [dc in each of next 9 dc, sk next ch-1 sp] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (72 dc)

Rnd 15: Ch 1, sc in same st as ch-1, sk next dc, 5 dc in next dc (*scallop*), sk next dc, [sc in next dc, sk next dc, 5 dc in next dc, sk next dc] 17 times, join in beg sc, fasten off. (18 scallops) **CW**

Girlie Girl

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Rnd 2: [2 sc in first sc, sc in next sc] 4 times. (12 sc)

Rnd 3: Sc in each sc around.

Rep rnd 3 until Arm measures 6 inches, sl st in next st, leaving 8-inch length of yarn, fasten off.

FINGERS

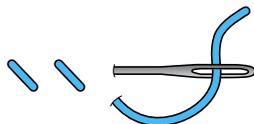
Fold beg of Arm flat across, working across end to form Fingers, join bone with sc at side edge, [ch 10, sc in Arm] 5 times, fasten off. (5 Fingers)

Stuff Arms with fiberfill and sew to each side of Body.

FACIAL FEATURES

For eyes, sew heart-shaped beads to rnd 12 of Head with 1½-inch sp between beads.

With hot pink, embroider mouth over rnd 20 of Head with vertical straight sts for ¾ inch or as desired.



Straight Stitch

DRESS BODICE

Make 2.

Row 1: Starting at neckline with spring green, ch 25, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (24 sc)

Row 2: Ch 1, working in **front lp** (see *Stitch Guide*), sc in each st across, turn.

Rows 3–5: Rep row 2.

Row 6: Ch 1, working in front lps only, sc dec in next 2 sts, sc in each st across to last 2 sts, sc dec in next 2 sts, turn. (22 sc)

Rows 7 & 8: Rep row 6. (18 sc)

Rows 9–17: Rep row 2. At the end of row 17, fasten off.

Sew each shoulder approximately 1 inch in from each outer edge. Rows 1–8 on each side edge are armhole openings, sew each side seam rows 9–17.

Edging

Sc around neck and armholes with white.

SKIRT

Rnd 1: Join spring green with sl st at center back of Dress Bodice, ch 1, 2 sc in same st as ch-1, sc in each of next 2 sc, [2 sc in next sc, sc in each

of next 2 sc] 11 times, **do not join**, use st marker to mark rnds. (48 sc)

Rnds 2–13: Sc in each sc around. At the end of rnd 13, join in next st, fasten off.

Rnd 14: Join white with sc in any st at Skirt back, sc in each of next 47 sc, join in beg sc. (48 sc)

Rnd 15: Ch 1, sc in same sc as ch-1, ch 10, sk next 3 sc, [sc in next sc, ch 10, sk next sc] 11 times, join in beg sc, fasten off. (12 ch-10 lps)

HAIR

Cut approximately 60–70 strands of gold each 1 yd long and fold then in half. Place center of strands in the middle of Head so that half goes on each side of face. With length of sunflower, sew approximately 6–8 strands at a time along middle of Head. Trim bangs as desired, divide rem strands and make 2 braids. Secure ends of each braid.

HAT

Rnd 1: With spring green, ch 5, join in first ch to form a ring, ch 1, 8 sc in ring, **do not join, use st marker to mark rnds** (see *Pattern Notes*). (8 sc)

Rnd 2: [Working in back lps only, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc] around. (12 sc)

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

Rnd 5: Working in back lps only, 2 sc in each of next 3 sc, [sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] 12 times, sl st in next st. (42 sc)

Rnd 6: Ch 3, dc in each sc around, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*) in 3rd ch of ch-3.

Rnds 7 & 8: Ch 3, dc in each dc around, join in 3rd ch of ch-3.

Rnd 9: Working in **front lps** (see *Stitch Guide*), ch 3, dc in same st as ch-3, 2 dc in each st around, join in 3rd ch of ch-3,

change color (see *Stitch Guide*) to white, fasten off spring green. (84 dc)

Rnd 10: Ch 3, dc in same st as ch-3, 2 dc in each dc around, join in 3rd ch of ch-3. (168 dc)

Rnd 11: Ch 1, sc in same st as ch-1, ch 5, sk next 3 dc, [sc in next dc, ch 5, sk next 3 dc] around, join in beg sc, fasten off. (42 ch-5 lps)

HANGING LOOP

Row 1: With spring green, ch 41, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, leaving 6-inch length of yarn, fasten off. Sew each end of Hanging Loop to rnd 6 of Hat.

With Hanging Loop at front, sew Hat to top of Head.

PURSE

Row 1: With spring green, ch 16, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (15 sc)

Rows 2–28: Ch 1, working in front lp only, sc in each st across, turn. At the end of row 28, fasten off. Fold piece in half at row 14, *working through both thicknesses attach white in side edge, ch 1, work 14 sc evenly sp down side edge, fasten off*. Attach white on opposite edge and rep from * to *.

HANDLE

Attach white in side edge of first white sc at top opening of Purse, ch 30, sl st in opposite edge white sc, ch 1, sc in each of next 30 chs, working down side edge, across bottom and up opposite edge, sc in first sc, [ch 5, sk next 3 sts, sc in next st] across all 3 edges, fasten off.

Secure purse to hand of doll. Insert hairbrush in Purse. Place a variety of hair clips and barrettes all over doll. Place ponytail holders in a variety of colors up each leg. When finished, hang this Girlie Girl on her door. **CW**

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Beaded Shells Change Purse

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Rnd 7: Rep rnd 5.

Rnd 8: Ch 1 loosely, dc in each st around, join in first dc, do not turn.

Rnd 9: Ch 1, sc in same st as ch-1, *sk next 2 sts, **shell** (see *Special Stitches*) in next st, sk next 2 sts**, sc in next st, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in first sc, do not turn. (15 shells)

Rnd 10: Ch 1 loosely, [shell in sc, sc in center dc of next shell] around, join in beg dc, do not turn.

Rnd 11: Sl st into center dc of shell, ch 1, [sc in center dc of shell, shell in next sc] around, join in beg sc, do not turn.

Rnds 12–19: Rep rnds 4–11.

Rnd 20: Ch 1 loosely, dc in each st around, join in first dc, turn.

BOTTOM CLOSING

Row 1: Fold bottom of Purse flat across, working through both thicknesses, ch 1, work 45 sc across, turn. (45 sc)

Row 2: Ch 1, [bead sc in next st, sc in each of next 4 sts] 8 times, bead sc in next st, sc in each of next 3 sts, bead sc in next st, turn. (10 beads)

Row 3: Ch 1, sc in each of first 2 sts, [sk next 2 sts, shell in next st, sk next 2 sts, sc in next st] 7 times, sc in last st, fasten off. (7 shells)

FINISHING

With needle-nose pliers, open both link ends of chain, attach an end to each top of purse clasp, close link ends. **CW**

Sand Castle

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sc, working in back lp, front lp, back lp, tr sc dec in next 3*, sc in front lp of next sc, rep from * to * once, join in first sc. (8 sc)

Rnd 24: Rep rnd 11.

Rnd 25: Ch 1, sc dec in front lp of same sc as ch-1 and back lp of next sc, [working in front lp, back lp, sc dec in next 2 sts] 4 times, join, leaving a 4-inch length, fasten off. (4 sc)

With tapestry needle, weave rem length through rem 4 sts, pull gently to tighten, knot to secure and weave into Turret.

SIDE WALL

Make 3.

Row 1 (RS): Ch 6, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (35 sc)

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in front lp of first sc, [sc in back lp of next sc, sc in front lp of next sc] across, turn.

Rows 3–16: Rep row 2.

Row 17: Ch 1, sc in back lp of each sc across, turn.

Row 18: Rep row 2.

Row 19: Rep row 17.

Rows 20–36: Rep rows 2–18. At the end of row 36, fasten off.

FRONT WALL

Right Front

Row 1 (RS): Ch 14, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (13 sc)

Rows 2–8: Rep row 2 of Side Wall.

Row 9: Ch 1, sc in front lp of first sc, [sc in back lp of next sc, sc in front lp of next sc] 5 times, sc in back lp of next sc, 2 sc in front lp of next sc, turn. (14 sc)

Row 10: Ch 1, sc in back lp of first sc, sc in front lp of next sc,

[sc in back lp of next sc, sc in front lp of next sc] across, turn.

Row 11: Ch 1, sc in front lp of first sc, [sc in back lp of next sc, sc in front lp of next sc] 6 times, 2 sc in back lp of last sc, ch 5, fasten off. (15 sc, ch-5 sp)

Left Front

Rows 1–8: Rep rows 1–8 of Right Front.

Row 9: Ch 1, 2 sc in front lp of first sc, [sc in back lp of next sc, sc in front lp of next sc] across, turn. (14 sc)

Row 10: Ch 1, sc in front lp of first sc, sc in back lp of next sc, [sc in front lp of next sc, sc in back lp of next sc] across, turn.

Row 11: Ch 1, 2 sc in back lp of first sc, sc in front lp of next sc, [sc in back lp of next sc, sc in front lp of next sc] across, turn. (15 sc)

Row 12: Ch 1, sc in front lp of next sc, [sc in back lp of next sc, sc in front lp of next sc] across, with WS of Right Front facing, working across ch-5 sp, sc in each of next 5 chs of row 11, sc in front lp of next sc, [sc in back lp of next sc, sc in front lp of next sc] 6 times, 2 sc in back lp of next sc, turn. (35 sc)

Rows 13–23: Rep rows 13–23 on Side Wall. At the end of row 23, **do not fasten off**, turn.

Left Back

Row 24: Ch 1, sc in front lp of first sc, [sc in back lp of next sc, sc in front lp of next sc] 6 times, working in back lp, front lp, sc dec in next 2 sts, turn, leaving rem sts unworked. (14 sc)

Row 25: Ch 1, sc in back lp of first sc, sc in front lp of next sc, [sc in back lp of next sc, sc in front lp of next sc] across, turn.

Row 26: Ch 1, sc in front lp of first sc, sc in back lp of next sc, [sc in front lp of next sc, sc in back lp of next sc] 5 times,

working in front lp, back lp, sc dec in next 2 sts turn. (13 sc)

Rows 27–34: Ch 1, sc in front lp of first sc, [sc in back lp of next sc, sc in front lp of next sc] across, turn.

Row 35: Ch 1, sc in back lp of each sc across, turn.

Row 36: Rep row 27, fasten off.

Right Back

Row 24: With WS facing, sk next 5 sc of row 23, join with sc dec in first 2 sts (*working in front lp, back lp*), [sc in front lp of next sc, sc in back lp of next sc] 6 times, sc in front lp of last sc, turn. (14 sc)

Row 25: Ch 1, sc in front lp of first sc, sc in back lp of next sc, [sc in front lp of next sc, sc in back lp of next sc] across, turn.

Row 26: Ch 1, working in back lp, front lp, sc dec in first 2 sts, [sc in back lp of next sc, sc in front lp of next sc] across, turn. (13 sc)

Rows 27–36: Rep rows 27–36 of Left Back.

FLOOR

Make 2.

Row 1: Ch 50, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn.

Rows 2–50: Ch 1, sc in front lp of first sc, [sc in back lp of next sc, sc in front lp of next sc] across, turn. At the end of row 50, fasten off.

DRAWBRIDGE

Row 1 (WS): Ch 14, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (13 sc)

Rows 2–15: Ch 1, sc in front lp of next sc, [sc in back lp of next sc, sc in front lp of next sc] across, turn.

Row 16: Ch 1, sc in back lp of each sc across, turn.

Rows 17–30: Rep rows 2–15 of

Drawbridge. At the end of last rep, fasten off.

DRAWBRIDGE CHAIN

Make 2.

Ch 20, fasten off.

ASSEMBLY

Roll up plastic canvas turret sides so that the 6¾-inch edges meet and sew edges tog. Sew plastic canvas bottom of turret to bottom of turret sides. Insert plastic canvas pieces into crocheted Turret Bottom, stuff with fiberfill. Line up top edge of Turret Bottom with rnd 6 of Turret

Top and sew tog to form Turret, rep for rem 3 Turrets.

Fold Side Walls in half and sew bottom seam. Insert 4 pieces plastic canvas walls between front and back of Side Walls. Sew Turret to each end of Wall, rep for rem 2 Walls. Fold Front Wall in half and sew bottom seams. Trim center of rem 4 pieces of plastic canvas walls to accommodate opening. Sew front and back of Front Wall tog in opening area. Sew Turret to each end of Front Wall.

Note: When sewing Turrets to Walls, 2 Walls should be sewn

to each Turret at right angles to each other.

Place the 2 plastic canvas floor pieces between 2 crocheted pieces of Floor and sew side seams. Sew Floor to bottom of Walls.

Fold crocheted Drawbridge in half and insert plastic canvas drawbridge between halves, sew edges closed. Sew bottom edge of Drawbridge to front edge of Floor centered below opening in Front Wall. Sew each end of Drawbridge Chains to front corners of Drawbridge and top edge of Front Wall. **cw**

Stars & Stripes Afghan

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sc, join in beg sc, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*) in first sc, **do not turn**.

Rnd 2: Ch 1, sc in each sc around outer edge of Panel, working 3 sc in center st of each corner, join in beg sc, fasten off.

PANEL POINT

Make 10 (1 on each end of each Panel).

Row 1: With RS facing, working on end of Panel in **back lps** (see *Stitch Guide*) for this row only, join soft navy in center sc of 3-sc group, ch 1, sc in same st as ch-1, sc in each of next 33 sc, turn. (34 sc)

Rows 2–16: Ch 1, **sc dec** (see *Stitch Guide*) in next 2 sc, sc in each sc across to last 2 sts, sc dec in next 2 sts, turn. (4 sc)

Row 17: Ch 1, sc in each of next 2 sc, sc dec in next 2 sc, turn. (3 sc)

Row 18: Ch 1, sc in next st, sc dec in next 2 sts, turn. (2 sc)

Row 19: Ch 1, sc dec in next 2 sts, fasten off. (1 sc)



STAR

Make 10.

Rnd 1: With white, ch 2, 10 sc in 2nd ch from hook, join in first sc. (10 sc)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, sc in same sc as beg ch-1, 2 sc in next sc, [sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] around, join in beg sc. (15 sc)

Rnd 3: [Ch 6, sl st in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next ch, hdc in next ch, dc in each of next 2 chs, sk next 2 sc of rnd 2, sl st in next sc of rnd 2] 5 times, leaving 15-inch length of yarn, fasten off. (5 points)

Sew 1 Star centered to rows 2–16 of each Panel Point.

ASSEMBLY

With long length of soft navy, leaving all Panel Points unsewn, sew sides of Panels tog side by side.

EDGING

Rnd 1: With RS facing, join soft navy with sl st in any st on outer edge, ch 1, sc in same st as ch-1, sc around outer edge, working 3 sc in each st of each outer point and at each corner, sk 2 center sts between each inner point to form indent, join in beg sc, **do not turn**.

Rnd 2: Ch 1, sc in each sc around, working 3 sc in each st of each outer point and at each corner, sk 2 center sts between each inner point to form indent, join in beg sc, do not turn.

Rnd 3: Sl st in each st around, fasten off. **cw**

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Row 2: Ch 2, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each sc to last sc, (sc, ext sc—see *Special Stitches*) in last sc, turn. (10 sts)

Row 3: Rep row 2. (12 sts)

Row 4: Ch 2, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem st across, turn. (13 sts)

Row 5: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 6: Rep row 5.

Row 7: Rep row 2. (15 sts)

Row 8: Rep row 5.

Rows 9 & 10: Rep row 2. (19 sts)

Rows 11–13: Rep rows 6–8. (21 sts)

Row 14: Sl st in first st, (sl st, ch 1, sc) in next st, sc in each rem st to last st, leaving last st unworked, turn. (19 sts)

Row 15: Rep row 14. (17 sts)

Rows 16–24: Rep row 5.

Rows 25 & 26: Rep row 14. (13 sts)

Row 27: Sl st in each of first 2 sts, (sl st, ch 1, sc) in next st, sc in each rem st to last 2 sts, leaving last 2 sts unworked, turn. (9 sts)

Row 28: Rep row 27. (5 sts)

Edging

Rnd 29: Ch 1, sc evenly around entire piece, working sl st between rows 8 and 9, and rows 19 and 20 on both sides of skull and working 2 sc in each lower corner (*beg and end of row 1*), join in first sc, fasten off.

BONE

Make 20.

Row 1 (WS): With C, ch 5, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (4 sc)

Row 2: Ch 2, sc in 2nd ch from

hook, sc in each rem st across, turn. (5 sc)

Row 3: Ch 1, sc in each sc across to last sc, (sc, ext sc) in last sc, turn. (6 sts)

Row 4: Rep row 2. (7 sts)

Row 5: Sl st in first sc, (sl st, ch 1, sc) in next sc, sc in each rem st to last st, (sc, ext sc) in last st, turn.

Row 6: Ch 2, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each st across, leaving last st unworked, turn.

Row 7: Sl st in first sc, (sl st, ch 1, sc) in next sc, sc in each rem st to last st, (sc, ext sc) in last st, [work ext sc in lower segment of ext sc just made] 4 times, turn. (11 sts)

Row 8: Rep row 6.

Row 9: Rep row 5.

Row 10: Ch 1, sc in each st to last st, leaving last st unworked, turn. (10 sts)

Row 11: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 12: Sl st in first sc, (sl st, ch 1, sc) in next sc, sc in each rem st across, turn. (9 sts)

Row 13: Ch 1, sc in each of first 6 sts, leaving rem sts unworked, turn.

Row 14: Rep row 11.

Row 15: Rep row 12. (5 sts)

Row 16: Sl st in first st, (sl st, ch 1, sc) in next st, sc in each rem st to last st, leaving last st unworked, **do not turn.** (3 sts)

Edging

Rnd 17: Sc evenly around entire piece, working a sl st between rows 6 and 7, rows 9 and 10, and rows 12 and 13, and working 3 sc in first st of row 1 (*lowest point of Bone*), join in first sc, fasten off.

BANDANNA

Make 5.

Row 1: With A, ch 6, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (5 sc)

Row 2: Ch 3, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next ch, sc in each st to last st, (sc, ext sc) in last st, work ext sc in lower segment of ext sc just made, turn. (9 sts)

Row 3: Rep row 2. (13 sts)

Row 4: Ch 2, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each sc to last sc, (sc, ext sc) in last sc, turn. (15 sts)

Row 5: Rep row 4. (17 sts)

Row 6: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 7: Rep row 6.

Row 8: Ch 1, sc in each of next 8 sts, leaving rem sts unworked, turn. (8 sts)

Row 9: Sl st in each of next 3 sts, (sl st, ch 1, sc) in next st, sc in each of next 4 sts, turn. (5 sts)

Row 10: Ch 1, sc in each of next 4 sts, leaving last st unworked, turn. (4 sts)

Row 11: Sl st in first sc, (sl st, ch 1, sc) in next sc, sc in each of next 2 sc, turn. (3 sts)

Row 12: Rep row 10, **do not turn.** (2 sts)

Edging

Rnd 13: Sc around entire piece, working 2 sc in each corner (*beg of row 7, beg and end of row 1, beg and end of row 12*), join in first sc, turn.

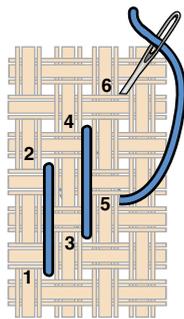
Tie

Row 14: Sl st in next st, *ch 11, sl st in 2nd ch from hook, sl st in next ch, sc in each of next 2 chs, hdc in each of next 3 chs, dc in each of next 3 chs**, sl st in each of next 2 sc of edging rnd, rep from * to **, sl st in next sc of edging around, fasten off.

FINISHING

Block Squares and Skull pieces. With B, use long sts to embroider facial features onto Skull as shown in Skull Face Chart. Sew Bones, then Skull to RS of each Black Square. Arrange Squares

as indicated in Assembly Diagram. To help hide yarn ends, sew pieces through top layer of squares only, not all the way through the Square. Leaving Ties



Long Stitch

free, sew Bannanna to Skull. Sew a 1-inch metal ring to left ear of Skull. With B, use long sts to embroider the eye-patch tie.

ASSEMBLY

Arrange Squares 3 x 3 as indicated in Assembly Diagram.

With WS facing and working in **back lps** (see *Stitch Guide*) only join A, sl st Squares tog.

EDGING

Rnd 1 (RS): Join A with sl st in any corner, ch 1, sc evenly around outer edge, working 2 sc

in each corner, join in beg sc.

Rnd 2: Ch 1, sc in each sc around, working 2 sc in each corner, join in beg sc, change color to B in joining.

Rnd 3: Ch 2, working in **front lps** (see *Stitch Guide*) only, work **puff st** (see *Special Stitches*) in each st around, join in first puff st, turn.

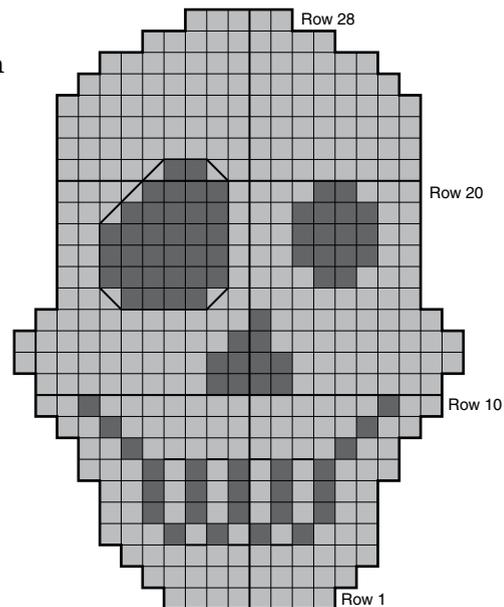
Rnd 4: Rep rnd 3, working in rem free lps of rnd 2.



Skull	Scarlet	Skull
Scarlet	Skull	Scarlet
Skull	Scarlet	Skull

A Pirate's Life
Square Assembly Diagram

Rnd 5 (RS): Ch 1, inserting hook through both lps of corresponding puff sts of rnds 3 and 4, work reverse sc in each st around, join in first sc. **CW**



A Pirate's Life
Skull Face Chart

Beach House Afghan

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in top of and around post of each dc row, sc in end of each row (including center beg foundation ch) and in each ch-3 sp at end of rep of row 3 across top and bottom (6 sc across each 4 row pattern rep), work 2 sc in each ch-3 sp, sc in each sc on sides working (sc, ch 2, sc) in each corner ch-2 sp, (sc, ch 2, sc) in last corner sc, join in beg sc. (111 sc top and bottom, 163 each side)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, working across the top, sc in same sc as joining, *sk next 2 sc, shell, sk next 2 sc, sc in next sc*, rep from * to * across top, ending with sk 1 sc, shell in corner ch-2 sp, sc in next sc, rep from * to * across 1 side,

ending with shell in corner sp, sk 1 sc, sc in next sc, rep top pattern across bottom and rep side pattern, ending with sk next sc, join last corner shell to beg sc, fasten off.

Rnd 3 (WS): Draw up a lp of beach in any ch-2 sp of shell on side edge away from corner, ch 1, sc in same ch-2 sp, *ch 2, dc in next sc**, ch 2, sc in next ch-2 sp of next shell, rep from * to * around working at each corner, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, ch 2, sk 1 dc, dc in next dc, shell in corner ch-2 sp, dc in next dc, ch 2, sk next dc, dc in next sc, ch 2, sk next dc, dc in next sc, ch 2, sc in ch-2 sp of next shell, at the end of rnd, join last ch-2 to beg sc, fasten off.

Rnd 4: With RS facing, draw up

a lp of turqua in dc on any edge away from corner, ch 1, sc in same dc, sk over ch-2 sps, *shell in next sc, sc in next dc*, rep from * to * around working at each corner shell in next corner dc, sk next dc, sc in next dc, shell in corner ch-2 sp, sc in next dc, shell in next dc, sc in next dc, join in beg sc, fasten off.

Rnd 5: With beach, rep rnd 3.

Rnd 6: With white, rep rnd 4, fasten off.

Rnds 7-10: Rep rnds 3-6.

Rnd 11: *Ch 3, (sc, ch 3, sc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 3, sl st in next sc, rep from * around, ending with sl st in joining sl st of last rnd, fasten off.

With WS facing, block lightly. **CW**

Porch Pillows & Ripple Rug

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2, changing color combination to CC in last st of row 18.

Rows 19 & 20: Rep rows 3 and 2, changing color combination to AA in last st of row 20.

Rows 21 & 22: Rep rows 3 and 2, changing color combination to AB in last st of row 22.

Rows 23 & 24: Rep rows 3 and 2, changing color combination to BB in last st of row 24.

Rows 25 & 26: Rep rows 3 and 2, changing color combination to AB in last st of row 26.

Rows 27 & 28: Rep rows 3 and 2, changing color combination to AA in last st of row 28.

Rows 29 & 30: Rep rows 3 and 2, at the end of row 30, fasten off.

EDGING

Row 1: With RS facing and working in side edge of rows, join 2 strands of A with sc in the bottom right corner and in the end of row, sc evenly sp to row 11, changing color combination to CC, sc evenly sp in ends of rows to row 21, changing color combination to AA, sc evenly sp in ends of rows to next corner, fasten off.

Row 2: Rep row 1 on opposite side edge of Rug.

FRINGE

Fringe is attached in each sc along rows 1 and 2 of Edging. Using colors A and C to correspond to side edges, cut 4 strands each 12 inches in length for each sc. Holding 4 strands tog as 1, fold in half. With RS facing, insert hook in sc from WS to RS, place fold of yarn over hook, draw strands through to form lp on hook, draw cut ends through lp formed on hook, pull ends to secure. **CW**

Fun in the Sun

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Rnds 10–12: Rep rnds 10–12 of First Leg.

HER TOWEL

Row 1: With delft, ch 31, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (30 sc)

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

Row 3: Ch 1, sc in first st, dc in next st, [sc in next st, dc in next st] across, turn.

Rows 4–19: Rep row 3.

Row 20: Drop delft to WS, draw up a lp of navy, rep row 3.

Row 21: Rep row 3.

Row 22: Drop navy to WS, draw up a lp of delft, rep row 3.

Row 23: Rep row 3.

Row 24: Drop delft to WS, draw up a lp of white, rep row 3.

Row 25: Rep row 3.

Row 26: Drop white to WS, draw up a lp of delft, rep row 3.

Row 27: Rep row 3.

Rows 28–30: Rep rows 20–21.

Rows 31–50: Rep row 3.

Rows 51 & 52: Rep row 2.

Rnd 53: Now working in rnds, ch 1, sl st around entire outer edge of Towel, fasten off.

HIS TOWEL

Rows 1–19: With navy, rep rows 1–19 of Her Towel.

Row 20: Drop navy to WS, draw up a lp of delft, rep row 3.

Row 21: Rep row 3.

Row 22: Drop delft to WS, draw up a lp of navy, rep row 3.

Row 23: Rep row 3.

Row 24: Drop navy, draw up a lp of white, rep row 3.

Row 25: Rep row 3.

Row 26: Drop white to WS, draw up a lp of navy, rep row 3.

Row 27: Rep row 3.

Row 28: Drop navy to WS, draw up a lp of delft, rep row 3.

Row 29: Rep row 3.

Row 30: Drop delft to WS, draw

up a lp of navy, rep row 3.

Rows 31–52: Rep rows 31–52 of Her Towel.

Rnd 53: Rep rnd 53 of Her Towel.

BEACH BALL

GUSSET SECTION

Make 2 each navy and delft.

Row 1: Ch 2, sc in 2nd ch from hook, turn. (1 sc)

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

Row 3: Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in next sc, 2 sc in last sc, turn. (5 sc)

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

Row 5: Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc in last sc, turn. (7 sc)

Row 6: Rep row 4.

Row 7: Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in each of next 5 sc, 2 sc in last sc, turn. (9 sc)

Rows 8–12: Rep row 4.

Row 13: Ch 1, sc dec (see *Stitch*

Guide) in next 2 sc, sc in each of next 5 sts, sc dec in each of next 2 sts, turn. (7 sc)

Row 14: Rep row 4.

Row 15: Ch 1, sc dec in next 2 sts, sc in each of next 3 sts, sc dec in next 2 sts, turn. (5 sc)

Row 16: Rep row 4.

Row 17: Ch 1, sc dec in next 2 sc, sc in next sc, sc dec in next 2 sc, turn. (3 sc)

Row 18: Ch 1, insert hook in next lp, yo, draw up a lp, sk next st, insert hook in next st, yo, draw up a lp, yo, draw through all 3 lps on hook. (1 sc)

Rnd 19: Now working in rnds around entire outer edge, ch 1, [sc in end of each of next 18 rows, 3 sc in tip of piece] twice, join in first sc, fasten off. (42 sc)

Rnd 20: Attach white with sc in last sc made on rnd 19, sc in each of next 19 sc, 3 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 20 sc, 3 sc in next sc, join in first sc, leaving 8-inch length for sewing, fasten off. (46 sc)

BALL END

Make 2.

Rnd 1: With white, ch 2, 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook, join in beg sc. (6 sc)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, 2 sc in each sc around, join in first sc, leaving a 6-inch length, fasten off. (12 sc)

ASSEMBLY

Alternating colors, sew long sides of Gusset pieces tog, sew Ball Ends to end openings, stuffing with fiberfill before closing.

BEACH BAG

BOTTOM

Row 1: With navy, ch 2, sc in 2nd ch from hook, turn. (1 sc)

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



Rows 3–20: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.

Row 21: Ch 1, sc in first sc, sk next sc, sc in last sc, turn. (2 sc)

Row 22: Ch 1, sk first sc, sc in next sc, turn. (1 sc)

Rnd 23: Now working in rnds, ch 1, working around entire piece, sc in ends of each of next 22 rows, sc in end ch, sc in each of next 22 rows, sc in end st, join in first sc. (46 sc)

SIDES

Rnd 1: Ch 1, working in back lps only, sc in each st around, join in first sc, turn. (46 sc)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, sc in each st around, join in first sc, turn.

Rnds 3–6: Rep rnd 2.

Rnd 7: Drop navy to WS, draw up a lp of delft, ch 1, sc in each st around, join in first sc, turn.

Rnd 8: Drop delft to WS, draw up a lp of navy, ch 1, sc in each sc around, join in first sc, turn.

Rnds 9–12: Rep rnd 2.

Rnd 13: Drop navy to WS, draw up a lp of white, ch 1, sc in each sc around, join in first sc, turn.

Rnd 14: Draw up a lp of white, fasten off navy, ch 1, sc in each sc around, join in first sc, turn.

Rnds 15–18: Rep rnd 2.

Rnds 19–24: Rep rnds 7–12.

Rnd 25: Sl st in each sc around, join in first sc, fasten off.

HANDLE

Make 2.

Row 1: With navy, ch 2, sc in 2nd ch from hook, turn. (1 sc)

Rows 2–40: Ch 1, sc in sc, turn.

Row 41: Sl st in each sc to beg of Handle, leaving a length for sewing, fasten off.

Sew each Handle to the inside edge of Beach Bag. 



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Citrus Splash

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5 chs, sl st in next st on ring, ch 5, sc in 2nd ch from hook, dc in each of next 3 chs, sl st in next st on ring, *ch 7, sc in 2nd ch from hook, dc in each of next 5 chs, sl st in next st on ring, ch 5, sc in 2nd ch from hook, dc in each of next 3 chs*, sl st in next st on ring, rep between * once, join in joining sl st of last rnd, fasten off.

2-SIDE JOINED MOTIF

Rnd 1: Ch 6, join in beg ch to form ring, ch 1, 8 sc in ring, join in beg sc. (8 sc)

Rnd 2: Ch 7, sl st in end of corresponding petal on other Motif, sc in 2nd ch from hook on this Motif, dc in each of next

5 chs, sl st in next st on ring, *ch 5, sl st in end of next petal on other Motif, sc in 2nd ch from hook on this Motif, dc in each of next 3 chs, sl st in next st on ring, ch 7, sl st in end of next petal on other Motif, sc in 2nd ch from hook on this Motif, dc in each of next 5 chs, sl st in next st on ring*, rep between * once, ch 5, sc in 2nd ch from hook on this Motif, dc in each of next 3 chs, sl st in next st on ring, ch 7, sc in 2nd ch from hook, dc in each of next 5 chs, sl st in next st on ring, ch 5, sc in 2nd ch from hook, dc in each of next 3 chs, join in joining sl st of last rnd. Fasten off.

BODY EDGING

Rnd 1: Join fuchsia in end of any petal on outside edge, ch 6,

[sl st into end of next petal or joining between petals, ch 6] around, join in beg sl st.

Rnd 2: Ch 1, sc in each ch around, join in beg sc.

Rnd 3: Ch 1, sc in first st, sk next st, 5 dc in next st, sk next st, [sc in next st, sk next st, 5 dc in next st, sk next st] around, join in beg sc. Fasten off.

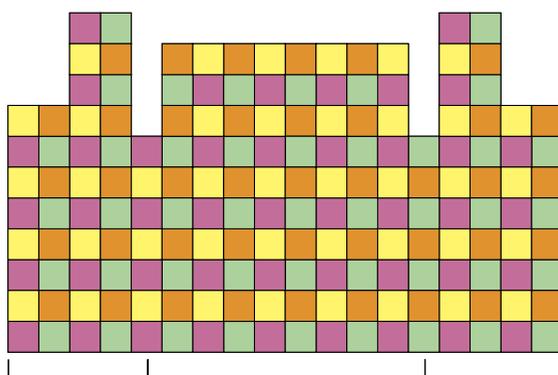
SLEEVE

Make 2.

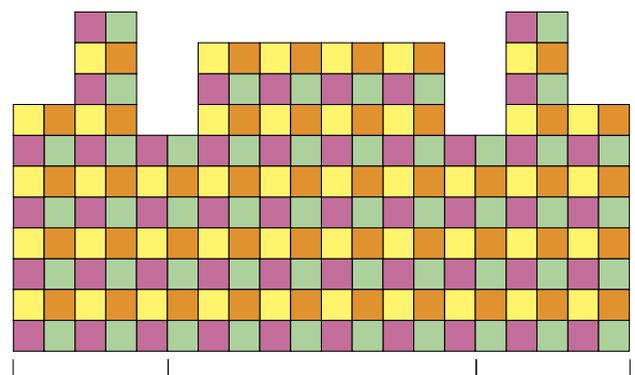
Maintaining color sequence and beg at shoulder, make and join 4 rows of 8 [9, 10] motifs to each armhole.

SLEEVE EDGING

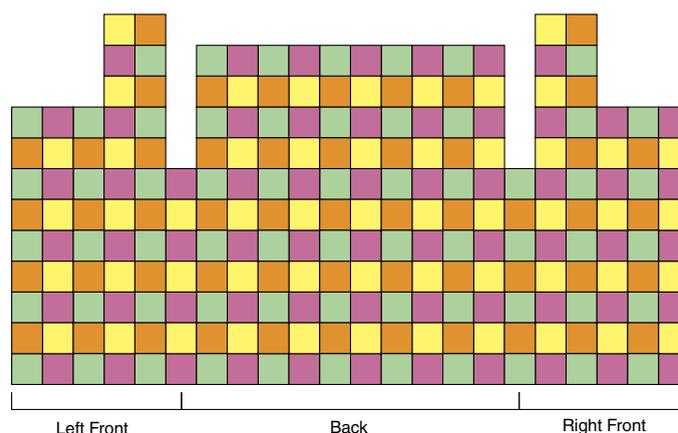
Work same as Body Edging on each sleeve opening. 



Citrus Splash
Small Size



Citrus Splash
Medium Size



Citrus Splash
Large Size

COLOR KEY	
	Guava orange
	Anise green
	Sunflower
	Fuchsia

Graduation Hot Pad & Coasters Set

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following around to dot in the following order.

1. Top of Cap with C.
2. Bottom of Cap with E.
3. Tassel with D.
4. Background with A.

With RS facing and size 7 hook, join D with sc in dc at middle of top of cap (*dot on chart*), working in direction of arrow, following yellow line on chart, *sc dec (see *Stitch Guide*) in next 2 dc, sc in each of next 2 dc, rep from * 8 times, sc dec in next 2 dc, sc in next dc, join in dc at top of tassel, fasten off.

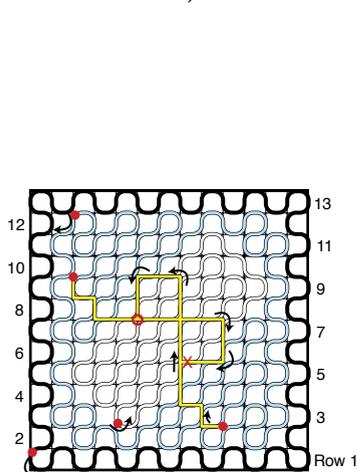
COASTER

FOUNDATION MESH

Row 1 (RS): With size 10 hook and A, ch 44, dc in 8th ch from hook, [ch 2, sk next 2 chs, dc in next ch] 12 times, turn. (13 open mesh)

Row 2: Ch 5 (*counts as first dc, ch-2*), [sk next 2 chs, dc in next dc, ch 2] 12 times, sk next 2 chs, dc in next ch, turn.

Rows 3–13: Rep row 2. At the end of Row 13, fasten off.



June Graduation Cap
Coaster Chart

Mesh will measure 3¼ x 3½ inches when completed and will stretch when wiggles are completed.

WIGGLES

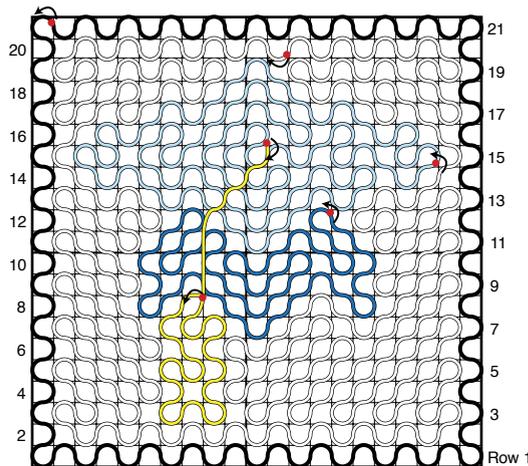
With RS facing and size 7 hook, join B with sl st around last dc post of row 1 (*dot on chart in bottom left corner*), ch 3, 3 dc around same dc post, follow arrow around to dot, working 4 dc around each dc post and in each ch-2 sp and 8 dc in each ch-5 corner sp, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3, fasten off.

Work other sections in same manner, starting at dot and following arrow around to dot in this order.

1. Diploma with A.
2. Background with C.

With RS facing and size & hook, join D with sc in dc of row 2 at bottom of yellow tie (*dot on chart at bottom right*), working in direction of arrow, following yellow line on chart, *sc dec in each of next 2 dc, sc in each of next 2 dc, rep from * 19 times, sc dec in each of next 2 dc, sc in next dc, join in sc at "X," fasten off.

With RS facing and size 7 hook, join D with sc in dc at top of yellow tie (*dot on chart at middle left*), [sc dec in each of next 2 dc,



June Graduation Cap
Hot Pad Chart

sc in each of next 2 dc] 4 times, sc dec in next 2 dc, sc in next dc, join in sc at "O," fasten off. **cw**

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Ocean Breeze Top

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Row 3: Ch 1, sc in same st as ch-1, [working in front of ch sp, dc in sk sc st 2 rows below, sc in next sc st] across, turn.

Row 4: Ch 1, sc in same st as ch-1, [sc in next dc, ch 1, sk next sc] across to last 2 sts, sc in next dc, sc in last st, turn.

Row 5: Ch 1, sc in same st as ch-1, [sc in next sc, working in front of ch sp, dc in sk sc 2 rows below] across to last 2 sts, sc in each of last 2 sc, turn.

Row 6: Ch 1, sc in same st as ch-1, [ch 1, sk next sc, sc in next dc across to last 2 sts, ch 1, sk next sc, sc in last st, turn.

Rep rows 3–6 for pattern until Back measures 13½ [13½, 14¼, 14½] inches from beg, ending with row 3.

Armhole Shaping

Row 1: Sl st in each of next 6 [6, 10, 10] sts, ch 1, sc in same st as last sl st, [ch 1, sk next sc, sc in next dc] across to last 5 [5, 9, 9] sts, turn. (71 [79, 83, 91] sts)

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in same st as ch-1, [working in front of ch sp, dc in sk sc 2 rows below, sc in next sc] across, turn.

Continue working in established pattern, at the same time, keeping with established pattern as much as possible, shape armhole by dec 1 st at each end of next row, then dec 1 st at each end of every other row until 61 [65, 73, 77] sts rem. Continue working in established until there are a total of 32 [34, 36, 36] rows from beg Armhole Shaping.

First Shoulder Shaping

Row 1: Ch 1, sc in same st as ch-1, work in established pattern for 14 [15, 19, 20] sts, sc in next st, turn. (16 [17, 21, 22] sts)

Row 2: Rep row 1, fasten off.

2nd Shoulder Shaping

Sk next 29 [31, 31, 33] sts, attach yarn in next st, rep First Shoulder Shaping.

SLEEVE

Make 2.

Note: Work Sleeves before working Front.

Row 1 (RS): With size E hook and ocean, ch 62 [66, 74, 78], sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (61 [65, 73, 77] sts)

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in same st as ch-1, [ch 3, sk next 3 sts, sc in next st] across, turn.

Row 3: Ch 1, sc in same st as ch-1, [work sc around first ch of ch-3 sp, working in front of ch sp, dc in 2nd sk sc 2 rows below, sc around last ch, sc in next sc] across, turn.

Row 4: Ch 1, sc in same st as ch-1, ch 1, sk next sc, [sc in next dc st, ch 3, sk next 3 sc] across to last 3 sts, sc in next dc, ch 1, sk next sc, sc in last st, turn.

Row 5: Ch 1, sc in same st as ch-1, sc around ch sp, sc in next sc st, [work sc around first ch of ch-3 sp, working in front of ch sp, dc in 2nd sk sc 2 rows below, sc around last ch, sc in next sc] across to last 2 sts, sc around next ch sp, sc in last st, turn.

Row 6: Ch 1, sc in same st as ch-1, [ch 3, sk next 3 sc, sc in next dc] across to last 4 sts, ch 3, sk next 3 sc, sc in last st, turn.

Rep rows 3–6 for pattern until 2½ inches from beg, ending with row 5.

Cap Shaping

Row 1: Sl st in each of next 6 [6, 10, 10] sts, ch 1, sc in same st as last sl st, ch 2, sk next 2 sc, sc in next dc, [ch 3, sk next 3 sc, sc in next dc] across to last 8 [8, 12, 12] sts, ch 2, sk next 2 sc, sc in next sc, turn. (51 [55, 55, 59] sts)

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in same st as ch-1, working in front of ch sp, dc in first sk sc 2 rows below, sc around last ch of ch-2 sp, sc in next sc, [work sc around first ch of ch-3 sp, working in front of ch sp, dc in 2nd sk sc 2 rows below, sc around last ch, sc in next sc] across to last 3 sts, work sc around first ch of ch-2 sp, working in front of 2-ch sp, dc in sk sc 2 rows below, sc in last st, turn.

Rows 3–25: Continue working in established pattern, at the same time, keeping with established pattern as much as possible, dec 1 st at each end of next row, then dec 1 st at each end of every other row 7 [7, 8, 6] times, then dec 2 sts at each end of every other row 4 [4, 3, 5] times. (19 [23, 25, 25] sts)

Row 26: Work across row in established pattern, fasten off.

FRONT

Work same as Back to Armhole Shaping.

Work first 4 rows of Back Armhole Shaping. (69 [77, 81, 89] sts)

First Side Pattern Change

Row 1: Ch 1, sc dec (see *Stitch Guide*) in first 2 sts, ch 2, sk next 2 sts, [sc in next st, ch 3, sk next 3 sts] 7 [8, 8, 9] times, sc in next st, ch 0 [0, 2, 2], sk next 0 [0, 2, 2] sts, sc in next st, turn. (33 [37, 39, 43] sts)

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in first st, working in ch-2 sp in front of ch lp in 0 [0, 1, 1], dc in first sk sc 2 rows below, sc around last ch, sc in next sc, [work sc around first ch of ch-3 sp, working in front of ch sp, dc in 2nd sk sc 2 rows below, sc around last ch, sc in next sc] across to last 3 sts, work sc around first ch of ch-2 sp, working in front of ch-2 sp, dc in sk sc 2 rows below, sc in last st, turn.

First Side Shaping

Continue working in pattern

as established on Sleeve, at the same time, keeping with established pattern as much as possible, shape armhole and neck at same time by dec 1 st at each end of next row, then dec 1 st at each end of every other row until there are 27 [27, 33, 33] sts, then dec 1 st at neck edge only every other row until there are 16 [17, 21, 22] sts.

Continue working in established pattern until there are a total of 34 [36, 38, 38] rows from beg Armhole Shaping, fasten off.

2nd Side Pattern Change

Row 1: Sk 1 st on neck, attach yarn in next st, ch 1, sc in same st as attaching, ch 0 [0, 2, 2], sk next 0 [0, 2, 2] sts, sc in next st, [ch 3, sk next 3 sts, sc in next st] across to last 4 sts, ch 2, sk next 2 sts, sc dec in last 2 sts, turn. (33 [37, 39, 43] sts)

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in same st as ch-1, working in ch-2 sp in front of ch sp, dc in first sk sc 2 rows below, sc around last ch, sc in next sc, [work sc around first ch of ch-3 sp, working in front of ch sp, dc in 2nd sk sc 2 rows below, sc around last ch, sc in next sc] across to last 1 [1, 3, 3] st(s), in 0 [0, 1, 1] ch-2 lp work sc around first ch, working in front of ch-2 sp, dc in sk sc 2 rows below, sc in last st, turn.

2nd Side Shaping

Rep First Side Shaping.

ASSEMBLY

Sew shoulder seams, Sleeves in arm openings, side and Sleeve seams.

NECK EDGING

Row 1: With RS facing, with size D hook, attach turquoise to bottom of right front neck opening, ch 1, working up right front, [work 2 hdc in end of row, hdc in end of next row] rep to top of right front, working around neck, work hdc in each st across, working down left front, [hdc in end of next row, work 2 hdc in end of next row] down to bottom of left front, turn. (119 [127, 133, 135] sts)

Row 2: Ch 1 [bpdc (see *Stitch Guide*) in next st, fpdc (see *Stitch Guide*) in next st] across to last st, ending with bpdc in last st, turn.

Row 3: Ch 1, [fpdc (see *Stitch Guide*) in next st, bpdc (see *Stitch Guide*) in next st, ch 1] around, ending with fpdc in last st, fasten off.

Place bottom of left Neck Edging across sk next st, place bottom of right Neck Edging across bottom of left Neck Edging, sew bottoms of Edgings in place.

SLEEVE & BOTTOM EDGING

Rnd 1: With RS facing, with size D hook, attach turquoise at opening, ch 1, sc evenly sp around working an even number of sts, join in beg st.

Rnd 2: Ch 1, [fpdc in next st, ch 1, bpdc in next st, ch 1] around, join in first st, fasten off.



FLOWER

Rnd 1: Cut a large section of ocean that contains mainly lilac and no turquoise. With size D hook, ch 4, in 4th ch from hook work [hdc, ch 1] 5 times, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-4, fasten off. (6 ch-1 sps)

Rnd 2: Cut a large section of turquoise and attach in first ch-1 sp, (ch 2, 2 dc, ch 2, sl st) in same sp as beg ch-1, [(sl st, ch 2, 2 dc, ch 2, sl st) in next ch-1 sp] 5 times, join in beg ch-1 sp, fasten off.

Position Flower at V-neck opening and sew in place. Cut a large section of ocean that is all blue, embroider a French knot in center of Flower. 

Octopus

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Eye

Make 2.

Rnd 1: With white, ch 4, join in first ch to form a ring, ch 3, 11 dc in ring, join in 3rd ch of ch-3. (12 dc)

Rnd 2: Ch 3, dc in same st as ch-3, 2 dc in each dc around, join in 3rd ch of ch-3, fasten off. (24 dc)

Eyelid

Make 2.

Row 1: With MC, ch 4, 5 dc in first ch of beg ch-4, turn. (6 dc)

Row 2: Ch 3, dc in same st as ch-3, 2 dc in each of next 5 dc, do not turn. (12 dc)

Row 3: Ch 1, working across bottom edge of rows 1 and 2, 2 sc in side edge of row 2, 2 sc in side edge of row 1, 1 sc in opposite side of foundation ch, 2 sc in side edge of row 1, 2 sc in side edge of

row 2, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3 of row 2, fasten off. (9 sc)

HAT

Rnds 1–4: With mango, rep rnds 1–4 of Body. (48 dc)

Rnd 5: Ch 3, dc in each dc around, join in 3rd ch of ch-3.

Rnds 6 & 7: Rep rnd 5.

Rnd 8: Ch 3, dc in same st as ch-3, dc in next st, [2 dc in next st, dc in next st] around, join in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. (72 sts)

Rnd 9: Rep rnd 5.

Rnd 10: Ch 1, sc in same st as beg ch-1, *sk next 2 sts, 5 dc in each of next 2 sts, sk next 2 sts**, sc in next st, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join in beg sc, fasten off. (12 shells)

FLOWER

Make 3 rose violet.

Make 1 each berry blue, grape and mango.

Rnd 1: Ch 4, join in first ch of beg ch-4 to form a ring, ch 1, 5 sc in ring, join in first sc. (5 sc)

Rnd 2: (Ch 2, 2 dc, ch 2, sl st) in first st, [(sl st, ch 2, 2 dc, ch 2)

in next st] 4 times, sl st in next st, leaving a 6-inch length, fasten off.

FINISHING

With yarn needle, sew each Pupil to bottom edge each Eye. Sew Eyes centered over Body rnds 10 and 1 with 1½ inches between Eyes. With row 3 of Eyelid at the bottom edge, sew an Eyelid centered over each Eye with total Pupil visible.

Stuff Body lightly with fiberfill, holding Underbelly and Body tog and matching Legs of each even, secure with straight pins. With Underbelly facing and working through both thicknesses, join MC yarn with sl st at outer point of Leg (row 23), ch 1, 3 sc in same st as ch-1, *sc across side edge of leg, **sc dec** (see *Stitch Guide*) in inner corner of Leg, sc in each st on opposite edge of Leg**, 3 sc in end point of Leg, rep from * around, ending last rep at **



stuffing lightly Body and Underbelly as work progresses around, join in beg sc, fasten off.

Sew mango Flower to top edge of a Leg.

Sew rem Flowers to Hat. Stuff Hat lightly and sew to top of Body at a slight angle. **CW**

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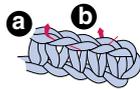
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4.....113.4	100.....3 1/2

Stitch Abbreviations

The following stitch abbreviations are used throughout this book.

beg.....	begin/begins/beginning
bpdc.....	back post double crochet
bpsc.....	back post single crochet
bptr.....	back post treble crochet
CC.....	contrasting color
ch(s).....	chain(s)
ch-.....	refers to chain or space previously made (e.g. 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
fpdc.....	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.....	single crochet (singular/plural)
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

Front Loop (a) Back Loop (b)



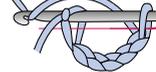
Chain (ch)

Yo, draw lp through hook.



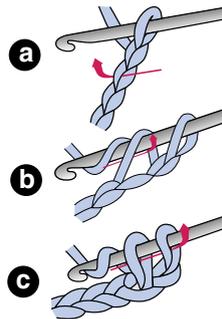
Slip Stitch Joining

Insert hook in beg ch, yo, draw lp through.



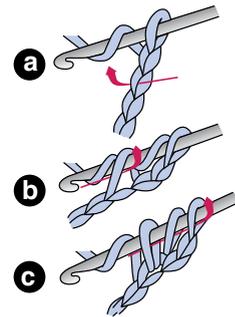
Single Crochet (sc)

Insert hook in st (a), yo, draw lp through (b), yo, draw through both lps on hook (c).



Half-Double Crochet (hdc)

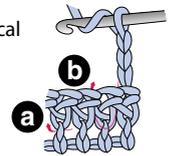
Yo, insert hook in st (a), yo, draw lp through (b), yo, draw through all 3 lps on hook (c).



Front Post/Back Post Dc

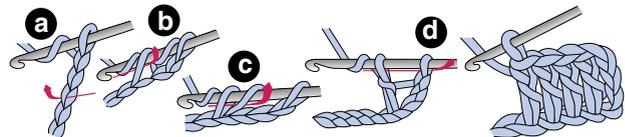
Fpdc (a): Yo, insert hook from front to back and to front again around the vertical post (upright part) of next st, yo and draw yarn through, yo and complete dc.

Bpdc (b): Yo, reaching over top of piece and working on opposite side (back) of work, insert hook from back to front to back again around vertical post of next st, yo and draw yarn through, yo and complete dc.



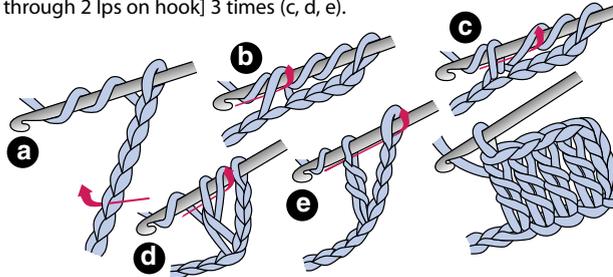
Double Crochet (dc)

Yo, insert hook in st (a), yo, draw lp through (b), [yo, draw through 2 lps] twice (c, d).



Treble Crochet (tr)

Yo hook twice, insert hook in st (a), yo, draw lp through (b), [yo, draw through 2 lps on hook] 3 times (c, d, e).



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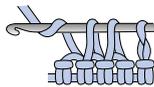
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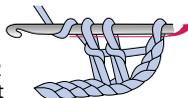
Single Crochet Decrease

Dec 1 sc over next 2 sc as follows: Draw up a lp in each of next 2 sts, yo, draw through all 3 lps on hook.



Double Crochet Decrease

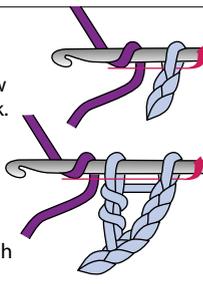
Dec 1 dc over next 2 as follows: [Yo, insert hook in next st, yo, draw up lp on hook, yo, draw through 2 lps] twice, yo, draw through all 3 lps on hook.



SPECIAL STITCHES

Chain Color Change (ch color change)

Yo with new color, draw through last lp on hook.

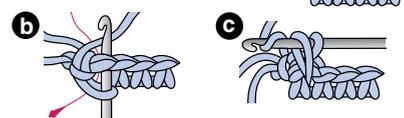


Double Crochet Color Change (dc color change)

Drop first color, yo with new color, draw through last 2 lps of st.

Reverse Single Crochet (reverse sc)

Ch 1 (a). Skip first st. [Working from left to right, insert hook in next st from front to back (b), draw up lp on hook, yo, and draw through both lps on hook (c).]



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