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What you will need:

AUNT LYDIA'S® Classic Crochet Thread, Size 10: 1 ball each 480 Delft A and 001 White B

Susan Bates® Crochet Hook: 3.75mm [F-5 US]

Tapestry needle, fabric stiffener, fabric glue (optional)

GAUGE: With 3.75mm [F-5] hook and holding two strands together, 5 sc = 1" (2.5 cm), 6 rows sc = 1" (2.5 cm). Gauge is not critical for this project.

AUNT LYDIA'S® Classic Crochet Thread, Size 10, Art. 154 available in white & ecru 400 yd; solid color 250 yd; shaded color 300 yd balls

SHOP KIT



Hanukkah Banner

Set the scene for a wonderful Hanukkah gathering with this Star of David banner. Each star is crocheted with two strands for each triangle in traditional shades of white and blue.

Banner measures ¾" (2 cm) wide x 48" (122 cm) long. Star of David Motif measures ¾" (8.5 cm) wide x 5" (12.5 cm) long after blocking.

Special Stitches

Fhdc (foundation half double crochet) This technique creates a foundation chain and a row of half double crochet stitches in one = First st: Ch 2, yarn over, insert hook in 2nd ch from hook, yarn over and pull up a loop, yarn over and draw through one loop on hook (the "chain"); yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook (first Fhdc completed). Remaining sts: *Yarn over, insert hook into the "chain" of the previous stitch and pull up a loop, yarn over and draw through one loop on hook (the "chain"); yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook (the "half double crochet"). Repeat from * until desired length is made.

Fhdc-join = Holding motif with wrong side facing, yarn over, insert hook into the "chain" of the previous Fhdc and into hanging loop of motif, and pull up a loop, yarn over and draw through one loop on hook (the "chain"); yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

Notes

1. Banner and motifs are made by holding two strands of thread together.
2. Star of David motif is made from 2 triangles that are worked in joined rounds with right sides facing and then glued or sewn together.
3. Motifs are joined to banner in a "join as you go" technique through hanging loop.
4. Banner can be made to desired length by increasing or decreasing the number of Fhdc. Join additional Star of David motifs at 4" (10 cm) intervals. Additional thread may be necessary for longer banners and additional motifs.

5. To change color, work last stitch of old color until 2 loops remain on hook (3 loops remain on hook for hdc). Yarn over with new color and draw through all loops on hook to complete stitch. Proceed with new color. Cut old color.

BANNER

Star of David Motif (Make 6 with A and 5 with B)

Triangle 1

With 2 strands held together and leaving 6" (15 cm) tail, ch 42.

Round 1: Sc in 2nd from hook and in next 3 ch, (sc, ch 2, sc) in next ch, sc in next 14 ch, (sc, ch 2, sc) in next ch, sc in next 10 ch, (sc, ch 2, sc) in next ch, sc in last 10 ch; join with slip st in first sc—44 sc (2 sides of 16 sc each and 1 side of 12 sc) and 3 ch-2 spaces.

Round 2: Ch 1, sc in same st as join and next 4 sc, (sc, ch 2, sc) in next ch-2 space, sc in next 16 sc, (sc, ch 2, sc) in next ch-2 space, sc in next 12 sc, (sc, ch 2, sc) in next ch-2 space, sc in last 11 sc; join with slip st in first sc—50 sc (2 sides of 18 sc each and 1 side of 14 sc) and 3 ch-2 spaces. Fasten off.

Triangle 2

Round 1: Same as triangle 1 Round 1.

Round 2: Ch 1, sc in same st as join and next 4 sc, (sc, ch 4, sc) in next ch-2 space (hanging loop made), sc in next 16 sc, (sc, ch 2, sc) in next ch-2 space, sc in next 12 sc, (sc, ch 2, sc) in next ch-2 space, sc in last 11 sc; join with slip st in first sc—50 sc (2 sides of 18 sc each and 1 side of 14 sc) and 3 ch-spaces. Fasten off.

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FINISHING

Motifs

With beginning tail, join first and last stitches of Round 1 of each triangle at lower edge; weave in ends. Block and stiffen each triangle to 3¼" (8.5 cm) wide across lower edge x 4" (10 cm) long. Using photograph as a guide, with right sides facing, and with hanging loop of triangle 2 at top, place triangle 1 upside down on top of triangle 2 and sew or glue together where outer edges meet.

Banner

Row 1: With two strands of **A** held together, work as many Fhdc as needed for 48" (122 cm) length, alternating colors when joining each motif with Fhdc-join at intervals of 4" (10 cm); change to **B** in last st, turn.

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in each st; change to **A**, turn.

Row 3: Ch 1, hdc in first st, ch 12, hdc in same st and in each st across, ch 12, hdc in last st. Fasten off and weave in ends. Stiffen banner, if desired.

ABBREVIATIONS

A, B = Color A, Color B; **ch** = chain; **dc** = double crochet; **hdc** = half double crochet; **mm** = millimeters; **sc** = single crochet; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **[]** = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; *** or **** = repeat whatever follows the * or ** as indicated.

