## Yarnspirations"

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CROCHET SKILL LEVEL INTERMEDIATE

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What you will need:
RED HEART ${ }^{\oplus}$ Classic ${ }^{\text {Tw }}: 8$ skeins 401 Nickel A; 3 skeins each 513 Parakeet B, 596 Purple C, and 584 Lavender D; 2 skeins 730 Grenadine E .

Susan Bates ${ }^{\circledR}$ Crochet Hook: 5.00 mm [US H/8].

GAUGE: Center square $=13 / 4$ " square; Center Strip = $13 / 4$ " wide $x 9$ " long, completed block = 16 " square. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook needed to obtain the gauge given.

RED HEART ${ }^{\oplus}$ Classic $^{\text {™ }}$ Art. E267 available in solid color $3.5 \mathrm{oz}(99 \mathrm{~g})$, 190 yd ( 174 m ) and multicolor 3 oz ( 85 g ), $146 \mathrm{yd}(134 \mathrm{~m}$ ) skeins.


## Twelve Star Throw

Crochet just 12 squares to make this spectacular throw! The construction may be a bit unusual, so just trust the directions and you'll soon have a starring throw.

## Throw measures 51" x 67 "

## Special Abbreviations

sc2tog: [Draw up a loop in next st] twice, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.
dtr dec: Yo (3 times), insert hook in specified st and in next st, yo and draw through 3 loops, [yo and draw through 2 loops] 3 times.
shell: 5 dc in same space.

Squares are made in 2 color combinations. Directions are given for Square 1 color combination; changes for Square 2 colors are in parentheses. Make and join 6 Squares in each color combination following Assembly Diagram for placement.

## FIRST SQUARE

Center Square
To begin center square: With $\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{D})$, ch 4 ; join with a slip st in first ch to form a ring.

Round 1: Ch 1, 8 sc in ring, join with slip st in first sc - 8 sc .

Round 2: Ch 1, (sc, ch 2, sc) in first sc, sc in next sc, *(sc, ch 2, sc) in next sc, sc in next sc; repeat from * around, join with slip st in first sc - 4 ch-2 spaces. Fasten off.

Center Strip (work a long strip across each side of Center Square).

With right side facing, join $\mathbf{B}(\mathrm{C})$, with slip st in any ch-2 space on Center Square

Row 1: Ch 1, sc in same space, sc in next 3 sc, sc in next ch-2 space, turn - 5 sc.

Rows 2-26: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.

Row 27: Ch 1, sc2tog in first 2 sts, sc in next sc, sc2tog in next 2 sts, turn -3 sts.

Row 28: Ch 1, sc in first sc, skip next sc, sc in last sc, turn - 2 sc.

Row 29: Ch 2, slip st in next sc. Fasten off.

Repeat Center Strip across each remaining side of Center Square.

Large V-Strip (work one Large V-Strip on all 4 sides of each Square)

With right side facing, leaving a 5 " tail to begin, join E (D) with slip st in end of row 18 on left hand edge of any Center Strip.

Row 1: Ch 1, sc in same row, sc in next 17 rows, sc in next 18 rows of strip to the left, turn - 36 sc.

Row 2: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across to center 2 sts, skip next 2 sts, sc in each st across to last st, 2 sc in last st, turn 36 sc , turn.

Rows 3-5: Repeat 2. At end of row 5, fasten off leaving a 5 " tail.
Note: There will be 18 sc on each side of Large V-Strip.

Repeat Large V-Strip across each remaining side of Square.

Small V-Strip (work one Small V-Strip on all 4 sides of each Square).

With right side facing, leaving a 5 " tail to begin, join $B(C)$ with slip st in 9th st from top right-hand corner of Large V-Strip.

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Row 1: Ch 1, sc in same sc, sc in next 9 sc to point of V , sc in next 10 sc on next side of V , turn - 20 sc.

Rows 2-5: Repeat Rows 2-5 of Large V-Strips. At end of Row 5 , fasten off leaving a 5 " tail. Note: There will be 10 sc on each side of Small V-Strip.

Fill-In Row (work one Fill-In Row across each side of Square)

Row 1: With right side facing, join A with slip st in end of Row 26 on left-hand side of any Center Strip, ch 1, *sc in end of next row, hdc in end of next row, dc in end of next 2 rows, tr in end of next 2 rows, dtr in end of next row*, slip st in end sc of next Large V-Strip; repeat from * to * once, slip st in end sc of next Small V-Strip; repeat from * to * once, dtr in end of next row, dtr dec worked over next 2 rows, dtr in end of next row, ** dtr in end of next row, tr in end of next 2 rows, dc in end of next 2 rows, hdc in end of next row, sc in end of next row, slip st in end of next row; repeat from ** twice, ending with slip st in end of Row 26 of next Center Strip. Fasten off.
Repeat Fill-In Row across each remaining side of Square. At end of last Fill-In Row, do not fasten off.

## SQUARE EDGING

Round 1: Ch 1, sc in end of Rows 27 and 28 of same Center Strip, *(sc, ch 2, sc) in corner ch-2 space, sc in each st (including slip sts) across to next corner; repeat from * around; join with slip st in first sc - 57 sc on each side.

Round 2: Ch 1, sc in first sc, ch 1, skip next $\mathrm{sc}, \mathrm{sc}$ in next sc; **ch 1, (sc, ch 2, sc) in corner ch-2 space, *ch 1, skip next sc, sc in next sc; repeat from * across to next corner; repeat from ** 3 times, ch 1 , join with slip st in first sc - 29 ch-1 spaces on each side.

Round 3: Slip st in next ch-1 space, ch 1, (sc, ch 2 , sc) in same space, skip next sc, **(sc, ch $4, \mathrm{sc}$ ) in corner ch-2 space, ${ }^{*}(\mathrm{sc}, \mathrm{ch} 2, \mathrm{sc})$ in next ch-1 space, sc in next ch-1 space, repeat from * to across to next corner; repeat from ** 3 times; join with slip st in first sc. Fasten off.

Note: Round 3 is joining round. Complete Round 3 around first square, then join remaining squares together while completing Round 3 as follows:

To join: Work in pattern of Round 3, joining at ch-2 spaces and corner ch-4 spaces. To join at ch-2 spaces, ch 1, drop loop from hook, draw dropped loop under to over through corresponding ch-2 space on adjacent square, ch 1 and continue. To join at corners, ch 2, drop loop from hook, draw dropped loop under to over through corresponding ch-4 space on adjacent square, ch 2 and continue. When joining on 2 sides, where 4 corners meet, work: ch 2, drop loop from hook, draw dropped loop under to over through opposite ch-4 space, ch 1, drop loop from hook, skip next corner space, draw dropped loop under to over through next corner ch-4 space, ch 2 and continue.

## BORDER

Round 1: With right side facing, join A in 9th ch-2 space to the right of any corner ch-4 space, ch 1, sc in same ch-2 space, *ch 3, sc in next ch-2 space (or in next corner space at seams)*; repeat from * to * across to next
corner, ch 3, (sc, ch 4, sc) in corner ch-4 space; repeat from ** 3 times, repeat from * to * to beginning, ch 1, hdc in first sc to join and form last ch 3 space - 48 ch-3 spaces on short sides and 64 ch- 3 spaces on long sides.

Round 2: Ch 1, sc in same space, ** *ch 1, shell in next ch-3 space, ch 1 , sc in next ch 3 space*; repeat from * to * across to space before center sc, ch 1 , shell in next ch-3 space, ch 1, sc in next sc (this adjustment produces a shell at each end of side); repeat from * to * to next corner, ch 1, (sc, ch 1, shell, ch 1, and sc) in corner ch-4 space; repeat from ** 3 times; repeat from * to * to beginning, join with slip st in first sc.

Round 3: *Ch 3, (slip st, ch 3, slip st) in center dc of next shell, ch 3, slip st in next sc *; repeat from * to * around; join with slip st in first slip st. Fasten off.

Weave in ends. Block with wrong side facing.
ABBREVIATIONS: A, B, C, D, E = colors A, B, C, D, E; ch = chain; dc = double crochet; mm = millimeters; sc = single crochet; [ ] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; * or ** $=$ repeat whatever follows the * or ** as indicated.

Assembly Diagram

| SQUARE <br> 2 | SQUARE <br> 1 | SQUARE <br> 2 |
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