## Yarnspirations"



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## What you will need:

RED HEART ${ }^{\oplus}$ Super Saver ${ }^{\circledR}$ : 1 skein each 886 Blue A, 316 Soft White B, 321 Gold C, and 885 Delft D
Note: Only a small quantity of $D$ is needed for optional embroidery.

Susan Bates ${ }^{\circledR}$ Crochet Hook: 5 mm [US H-8]

Yarn needle, polyester fiberfill, $61 / 20 \mathrm{oz}(184 \mathrm{~g})$ polyester pellets, $6^{\prime \prime} \times 8 \frac{1}{2} /{ }^{\prime \prime}(15 \times 21.5 \mathrm{~cm})$ piece of flexible cardboard

GAUGE: 12 sts $=4$ " ( 10 cm ); 15 rows $=4^{\prime \prime}(10 \mathrm{~cm})$ in single crochet. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge. Savere, Art. E300 available in solid color $70 z(198 \mathrm{~g}), 364 \mathrm{yd}(333 \mathrm{~m})$; prints, multicolor and heather $50 z$ (141 g), 236 yd ( 215 m ), flecks 5 $0 \mathrm{z}(141 \mathrm{~g}), 260 \mathrm{yds}(238 \mathrm{~m})$ skeins


## Child's Menorah

Create a crocheted Menorah to display during the Hanukkah holiday and encourage children to take part in the tradition. This wonderful design is safe for youngsters to have fun adding the candles!

SHOP KIT

Menorah measures 10 " wide $\times 10$ " tall ( 25.5 $x 25.5 \mathrm{~cm}$ ), not including candles.
Center candle ("shamash") measures 4" (10
cm ) tall. Regular candles measure 3" (7.5 cm ) tall.

## Special Stitch

sc2tog = [Insert hook in next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop] twice, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

## Special Technique

Adjustable-ring method = Wrap yarn into a ring, ensuring that the tail falls behind the working yarn. Grip ring and tail firmly between middle finger and thumb. Insert hook through center of ring, yarn over (with working yarn) and draw up a loop. Work stitches of first round in the ring, working over both strands (the tail and the ring). After the first round of stitches is worked, pull gently, but firmly, on tail to tighten ring.

## Note

1. All pieces are made in joined rounds with right side facing at all times.
2. Four pairs of branch slots are formed on sides of main shaft.
3. Rolled cardboard tube is inserted in main shaft. Shaft is filled with polyester pellets and fiberfill to stabilize menorah. Branches are stuffed with fiberfill.
4. Work tightly to ensure that stuffing materia doesn't show through the stitches. To avoid stretching stitches, don't overstuff the fiberfill.

## MENORAH

## Base and Main Shaft

With A, form an adjustable ring, ch 1.
Round 1 (right side): Work 5 sc in ring; join with slip st in first sc-5 sc. Pull gently, but firmly, on tail to tighten ring.

Round 2: Ch 1, 2 sc in each sc around; join with slip st in first sc-10 sc.
Round 3: Ch 1, *sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in first sc-15 sc.
Round 4: Ch 1, *2 sc in next sc, sc in next 2 sc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in first sc-20 sc.
Round 5: Ch 1, *sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in first sc-25 sc.
Round 6: Ch 1, *2 sc in next sc, sc in next 4 sc ; repeat from * around; join with slip st in first sc-30 sc.
Round 7: Ch 1, *sc in next 5 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in first sc-35 sc.
Round 8: Ch 1, *2 sc in next sc, sc in next 6 sc ; repeat from * around; join with slip st in first sc-40 sc.
Round 9: Ch 1, *sc in next 7 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in first SC-45 SC.
Round 10: Ch 1, working in back loops only, sc in each sc around; join with slip st in first sc.
Round 11: Ch 1, sc in each sc around; join with slip st in first sc.
Round 12: Ch 1, working in back loops only, *sc in next 7 sc , sc2tog; repeat from * around; join with slip st in first sc-40 sc.
Round 13: Ch 1, *sc2tog, sc in next 6 sc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in first sc-35 sc.
Round 14: Ch 1, *sc in next 5 sc, sc2tog; repeat from * around; join with slip st in first sc-30 sc.
Round 15: Ch 1, sc in each sc around; join with slip st in first sc.
Round 16: Ch 1, *sc2tog, sc in next 4 sc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in first sc-25 sc.

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Round 17: Ch 1, sc in each sc around; join with slip st in first sc.
Round 18: Ch 1, *sc in next 3 sc, sc2tog; repeat from * around; join with slip st in first sc-20 sc.
Round 19: Ch 1, *sc2tog, sc in next 3 sc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in first Sc-16 sc.
Rounds 20-33: Ch 1, sc in each sc around; join with slip st in first sc.
Round 34 (form branch slots): Ch 1, sc in next 2 sc, ch 4, skip next 4 sc (branch slot made), sc in next 4 sc, ch 4, skip next 4 sc, sc in last 2 sc; join with slip st in first sc-8 sc and 2 ch-4 spaces (branch slots).
Round 35: Ch 1, sc in each sc and ch around; join with slip st in first sc.
Rounds 36-41: Repeat Rounds 34 and 35 three more times.
Rounds 42-45: Ch 1, sc in each sc around;
join with slip st in first sc.
Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing.

## Branches (make 8)

Branch \#1
With right side facing and larger hook, working in free loops of first ch-4 space (branch slot) made in Round 34, join A with slip st in first ch.
Round 1: Ch 1, sc in same ch, sc in next 3 ch, sc in 4 skipped sc of previous round; join with slip st in first sc-8 sc.
Rounds 2-26: Ch 1, sc in each sc around; join with slip st in first sc.
Fasten off, leaving a long tail.

## Branch \#2

On same side of main shaft as previously made branch, join A with slip st to branch slot in Round 36 of main shaft; repeat Rounds $1-20$ of branch \#1. Fasten off.

## Branch \#3

On same side of main shaft as previously made branch, join A with slip st to branch slot in Round 38 of main shaft; repeat Rounds $1-14$ of branch \#1. Fasten off.

## Branch \#4

On same side of main shaft as previously made branch, join A with slip st to branch slot in Round 40 of main shaft; repeat Rounds 1-8 of branch \#1. Fasten off.
Repeat branches \#1-\#4 along opposite side of main shaft.

## Horizontal Bar

With A, ch 15.
Round 1 (right side): Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across; join with slip st in first sc-14 sc.
Rounds 2-40: Ch 1, sc in each sc around; join with slip st in first sc.
Fasten off.

## Cups (make 9)

With A, make an adjustable ring, ch 1.
Round 1 (right side): Work 4 sc in ring; join with slip st in first sc—4 sc. Pull gently, but firmly, on tail to tighten ring.
Round 2: Ch 1, 2 sc in each sc around; join with slip st in first sc-8 sc.
Rounds 3 and 4: Ch 1, sc in each sc around; join with slip st in first sc.
Fasten off.

## Candles (make 9: 8 regular and

 1 shamash (center candle)With B, form an adjustable ring.
Round 1 (right side): Work 5 sc in ring; join with slip st in first sc-5 sc. Pull gently, but firmly, on tail to tighten ring.
Rounds 2-9: Ch 1, sc in each sc around; join with slip st in first sc.

Notes: For shamash only, repeat last round 3 more times. For all candles, proceed in rows. Next Row: Skip first 2 sc, sc in next sc, skip next sc, slip st in last sc, turn.
Next Row: Skip slip st, slip st in next sc. Fasten off.

## Flame

Row 1: Join C with slip st in slip st of last row, ch 3, (slip st, sc) in 2nd ch from hook, slip st in next ch. Fasten off.

## FINISHING

## Base and Main Shaft

Roll the cardboard piece, overlapping edges to create a tube that fits inside main shaft. Tape edges and place tube into shaft. Pour polyester pellets around and inside tube to fill the base and stabilize the tube. Firmly stuff polyester fiberfill inside tube and branches.

## Horizontal Bar, Branches, and Cups

Flatten tube with join centered on underside. Working through both thicknesses, join A with slip st at beginning of one open end, slip st across ends of rounds to close opening. Fasten off. Repeat on other end. Center bar, with join on underside, over top of main shaft and sew in place. Beginning with each branch \#4, gently bend branches up and sew ends to underside of horizontal bar. Sew cups along top of horizontal bar, centering one cup above each branch. Insert candles in cups, placing shamash in center cup

## Embroidery (optional)

Using photograph as a guide, with yarn needle and D, backstitch around base and cups to decorate.
Weave in all ends.

## ABBREVIATIONS

A, B, C = Color A, Color B, Color C, etc.; ch = chain; sc = single crochet; st(s) = stitch(es); () = work directions in parentheses into same st; [ ] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; * $=$ repeat whatever follows the * as indicated.

