

Patriotic Holidays



Fourth of July Fridgies



FOURTH OF JULY FRIDGIES

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Stars

Materials:

- Scraps of red, white, and blue worsted weight yarn (cotton or acrylic)
- Crochet hook size E

Make 1 red, 1 white, 1 blue.

Ch 2.

Round 1: Work 5 sc in the second ch from hook; join with a sl st to the first sc

Round 2: (Ch 4, sc in the 2nd ch from hook, hdc in the next ch, dc in the next ch, sl st in the next sc in the ring) 5 times; fasten off.

Finishing: Weave in ends. Hot glue a small magnet to the back of each star.

Fireworks

Materials:

- Scraps of red, white, and blue worsted weight yarn (cotton or acrylic)
- Crochet hook size E

Make 1 red, 1 white, 1 blue.

Ch 5, join with a sl st to form ring.

Round 1: *Ch 10, sl st in the 4th ch from hook, sl st in the next 5 ch, sl st in the ring.* Repeat from * to * 9 times. Fasten off.

Finishing: Weave in ends. Hot glue a small magnet to the back of each piece.



Fourth of July Potholder



FOURTH OF JULY POTHOLDER

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Materials:

- Red, white and blue worsted weight cotton yarn
- Crochet hook size G or size needed for gauge
- Needle and white thread
- Yarn needle

Gauge: After round 3 piece should measure about 9" x 1 1/2"

To change colors at the end of a round: Insert hook in the last stitch of the round, pull up a loop of the old color, yo with the new color and pull through both loops on hook. Tie the tail of the new color to the old color. Cut old color.

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Potholder Body (this should form a "pouch-shaped" piece)

With blue ch 31.

Round 1: Sc in the 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across; do not turn; continuing around, work 1 sc in the base of each ch, join with a sl st to the first sc; ch 1, turn (60 sc)

Round 2: Sc in the same st as joining and in ea. sc around; join with a sl st in the first sc; ch 1, turn (60 sc)

Rounds 3-4: Repeat round 2.

Round 5: Sc in ea. sc to within last sc; change to red; join with a sl st in the first sc; ch 1, turn. (60 sc)

Round 6: Using red, repeat round 2.

Round 7: Sc in ea. sc to within last sc; change to white; join with a sl st in the first sc; ch 1, turn. (60 sc)

Round 8: Using white, repeat round 2.

Round 9: Repeat round 5.

Rounds 10-11: Repeat rounds 6 and 7.

Rounds 12-13: Repeat rounds 8 and 9.

Round 14: Repeat round 6.

Round 15: Sc in ea. sc to within last sc; change to blue; join with a sl st in the first sc; ch 1, turn. (60 sc)

Rounds 16-19: Repeat round 2. Fasten off after round 19. Weave in ends.

Stars (make 3)

With size G hook and white yarn, ch 2.

Round 1: Work 5 sc in the second ch from hook; join with a sl st to the first sc

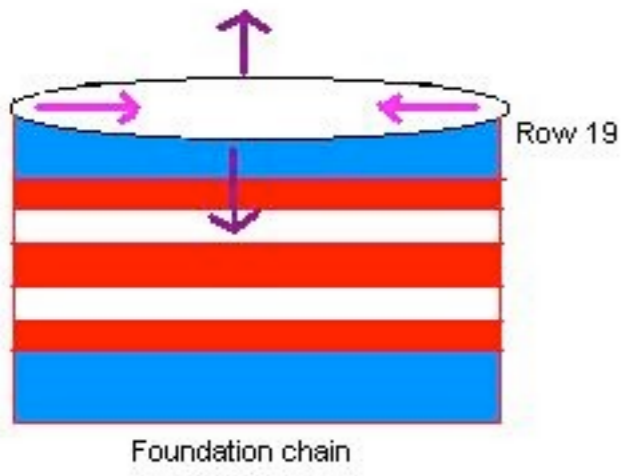
Round 2: (Ch 4, sc in the 2nd ch from hook, hdc in the next ch, dc in the next ch, sl st in the next sc in the ring) 5 times; fasten off. Weave in ends.

Hanging Loop

Ch 12, join with a sl st to form ring.

Round 1: Sl st in each ch around; fasten off. (12 sl sts)

Finishing: Stand the potholder body on its foundation chain. Following the illustration below, pull together row 19 at the pink arrows. The purple arrows pull away from each other to form the corners of the back side of the potholder. Push this back side flat on top of the foundation chain and sew the seam (from purple arrow to purple arrow) with blue yarn. Flip over to the right side of the potholder. Arrange the 3 stars from corner to corner of the blue stripe. Sew around the perimeter of each star with white thread. Sew the hanging loop to one corner.



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“Let Freedom Ring” Wind Chimes



"LET FREEDOM RING" WIND CHIMES

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Materials:

- ✓ Less than an ounce each of red, white and blue in any of the following yarns: Preferred: J&P Coats Crochet Nylon or Need-loft Nylon Plastic Canvas Yarn. If all else fails, you can use worsted weight acrylic
- ✓ Crochet hook size F (3.75 mm)
- ✓ One 2" lucite ring
- ✓ Eight 1/2" lucite rings
- ✓ Seven brass rings (either two 3" rings and five 2 1/2" rings OR seven 3" rings)

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Make 6 of these small stars (2 red, 2 white, 2 blue)

Ch 2.

Round 1: Work 5 sc in the second ch from hook; join with a sl st to the first sc

Round 2: (Ch 4, sc in the 2nd ch from hook, hdc in the next ch, dc in the next ch, sl st in the next sc in the ring) 5 times; fasten off. Weave in ends.

Make 6 of these large stars (2 red, 2 white, 2

blue)

Ch 4, join with a sl st in the first ch to form a ring.

Round 1: Ch 3 to count as the first dc, work 9 more dc in the ring; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch 3. (10 dc)

Round 2: (Ch 5, sc in the 2nd ch from hook, hdc in the next ch, dc in the next ch, trc in the next ch, skip next dc on round 1, sl st in the next dc on round 1) 5 times, ch 4, sl st in the bar at the tip of one of the same colored stars from week 1. Fasten off. Weave in ends. (You should have 6 sets of connected stars.)

Top: Make one of these stars using the six 1/2" rings

Round 1: With white, work 10 sc in one of the 1/2" lucite rings for the center of the star; join with a sl st in the first sc. (10 sc)

Round 2: (Ch 4, sc in a new 1/2" lucite ring, sc in the ch nearest the hook, hdc in the next ch, dc in the next ch, trc in the next ch, skip next sc on the center of the star, sl st in the next sc on the center of the star) 5 times. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Make 2 of these discs:

With blue, ch 4; join with a sl st in the first ch to form a ring.

Round 1: Ch 3 to count as the first dc, work 11 more dc in the ring; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch 3. (12 dc)

Round 2: Ch 3 to count as the first dc, dc in the same st as joining, work 2 dc in each remaining dc around, dc in the same st as the first dc; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch 3. (25 dc) Fasten off.

With wrong sides together, join yarn with a sc in any dc through both discs, sc through both thicknesses of each of the next 3 dc, 2 sc through both thicknesses of the next dc, (sc through both thicknesses of each of the next 4 dc, 2 sc through both thicknesses of the next dc) 2 times, insert the 2" ring between the discs, (sc through both thicknesses of each of the next 3 dc, 2 sc through both thicknesses of the next dc) 2 times; join with a sl st in the first sc. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

With white, make 2 more of the small stars. Sew the tips of one of the stars to every 6th sc on the front of the joined disc piece, and sew the tips of the second star to every 6th sc on the back of the joined disc piece.

Assembly

Top (uses one 3" brass ring and the star with the 1/2" rings at the tips.)

With blue yarn on the hook, work 12 sc around one of the 3" brass rings, work 6 sc around one of the 1/2" rings at the tip of the star, (12 sc around the 3" brass ring, 6 sc around the next

1/2" ring at the tip of the star) 4 times; join with a sl st in the first sc. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Outer chimes (uses the top plus five 2 1/2" or 3" brass rings.)

Join blue yarn with a sc in any of the 1/2" rings on the top, ch 15, sc in one of the 2 1/2" or 3" brass rings, ch 15, (sc in the next 1/2" ring on the top, ch 15, sc in another of the 2 1/2" or 3" brass rings, ch 15) 4 times; join with a sl st in the first sc. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Hanger & inner chime (uses one 3" brass ring, two 1/2" lucite rings, the disc piece, one of the red joined-star pieces.)

With red, work 4 sc around one of the 1/2" rings, ch 40 for the hanger loop, work 4 more sc around the same 1/2" ring, ch 15, sc around the 3" brass ring, ch 15; join with a sl st in the first sc on the 1/2" ring. Fasten off. Attach red with a sc around the same 3" ring, ch 30, sc in one of the stitches above the point of a star on the disc piece, sc in the next 15 sc on the disc piece, ch 3, sc in the tip of the top of the large joined-star, ch 3 sc in the same st on the disc piece, sc in each of the next 15 sc on the disc piece, ch 30, sc in the same 3" ring. Fasten off. Weave in ends. Insert hook through the remaining 1/2" cabone ring and into center ring on the star of the top piece; hook the hanger loop and pull through both rings. Thread a yarn needle with white yarn and take a few stitches around the unworked ring and between the hanger loop to secure.

Finishing: Tie the top of one of the large joined-stars to each of the outer chime brass rings. Weave in all ends



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Patriotic Wreath



PATRIOTIC WREATH

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This wreath is convertible. You can crochet different covers for other seasons or holidays, and then change the wreath by unlacing the beading round to remove, and replacing with a different cover. (Advantages: The wreath cover is completely machine washable and dryable. Also, if storage space is a problem, you use the same wreath form for every wreath, and you can store the separate covers in much less space than entire wreaths. Some ideas for other holiday covers: pink or red and white for Valentines day (using hearts instead of the stars); green and white for St. Patrick's Day (using shamrocks instead of stars). Or how about your team colors with "Go (Your Team)" letters in plastic canvas replacing the stars. Use your imagination! (Different holiday fridgie patterns can work as substitutes for the stars.)



Materials:

- About 2 ounces each of red, white and blue worsted weight yarn
- Crochet hooks size H (5.00 mm) and E (3.50 mm)

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Wreath Body

Make 2.

With blue yarn and size H hook, ch 73 to measure about 24".

Row 1: Sc in the 2nd ch from hook, sc in the next 10 ch, 2 sc in the next ch (sc in the next 11 ch, 2 sc in the next ch) 5 times (mark this as the right side); ch 1, turn. (78 sc)

Row 2: Sc in the first 12 sc, 2 sc in the next sc, (sc in the next 12 sc, 2 sc in the next sc) 5 times; ch 1, turn. (84 sc)

Row 3: Sc in the first 13 sc, 2 sc in the next sc, (sc in the next 13 sc, 2 sc in the next sc) 5 times; ch 1, turn. (90 sc)

Row 4: Sc in the first 14 sc, 2 sc in the next sc, (sc in the next 14 sc, 2 sc in the next sc) 5 times; ch 1, turn. (96 sc)

Row 5: Sc in the first 15 sc, 2 sc in the next sc, (sc in the next 15 sc, 2 sc in the next sc) 5 times; ch 1, turn. (102 sc)

Row 6: Sc in the first 16 sc, 2 sc in the next sc, (sc in the next 16 sc, 2 sc in the next sc) 5 times; ch 1, turn. (108 sc)

Row 7: Sc in the first 17 sc, 2 sc in the next sc, (sc in the next 17 sc, 2 sc in the next sc) 5 times; ch 1, turn. (114 sc)

Row 8: Sc in the first 18 sc, 2 sc in the next sc, (sc in the next 18 sc, 2 sc in the next sc) 5 times; fasten off, leaving a 12" yarn tail. - 120 sc Using the yarn tail, sew the short ends of the piece together to form a flat "donut" shape. Weave in ends.

Beading round: With right side facing you; join blue yarn with a sl st to the first sc; ch 3 (skip next sc, hdc in the next sc,

ch 1) 59 times; join with a sl st to the second ch of the beginning ch 3.(You should have 60 ch 1 spaces.) Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Wreath Ruffle

Make 1 of these striped pieces:

With size H hook and red yarn, ch 362.

Row 1: Dc in the fourth ch from hook and in each ch across. (Mark this as the right side.) Fasten off red; turn.

Row 2: Attach white with a sl st to the last dc made on row 1; ch 3 (to count as first dc); dc in each dc across. Fasten off white; turn.

Row 3: Attach red with a sl st to the last dc made on row 2; ch 3 (to count as first dc); dc in each dc across. Fasten off red, turn.

Row 4: (Edging) With right side facing, attach white with a sl st in the first dc; (ch 1, sl in next dc) across. Fasten off. Weave in ends. Matching stripes, sew the two short ends together to form a sort of headband-shaped piece.

Bow Pieces

Make 1 of these striped pieces:

With size H hook and red yarn, ch 43.

Row 1: Sc in the 2nd ch from hook and in the next ch, dc in

the next 17 chs, sc in the next 4 chs, dc in the next 17 chs, sc in the last 2 chs. (Mark this as the right side.) Fasten off red; turn.

Row 2: Attach white with a sc to the last sc made on row 1; sc in the next sc, dc in the next 17 dc, sc in the next 4 sc, dc in the next 17 dc, sc in the last 2 sc. Fasten off white; turn.

Row 3: Attach red with a sc to the last sc made on row 2, sc in the next sc, dc in the next 17 dc, sc in the next 4 sc, dc in the next 17 dc, sc in the last 2 sc. Fasten off red.

Rows 4 and 5: Repeat rows 2 and 3. Fasten off.

Edging: With right side facing you and with white yarn, work (sl st, ch 1) in each st across. Fasten off. Repeat edging on opposite side in the base of the foundation chains. Fasten off. Weave in ends. Mark this as piece A.

Matching stripes, sew the two short ends together (to form a headband-shaped piece.)

Make 1 of these striped pieces:

With size H hook and red yarn, ch 62

Row 1: Dc in the fourth ch from hook and in each of the next 26 chs, sc in each of the next 4 chs, dc in the last 28 chs. (Mark this as the right side.) Fasten off red; turn.

Row 2: Attach white with a sl st to the last dc made on row 1; ch 3 (to count as first dc); dc in the next 27 dc, sc in the next 4 sc, dc in the last 28 dc. Fasten off white; turn.

Row 3: Attach red with a sl st to the last dc made on row 2; ch 3 (to count as first dc); dc in the next 27 dc, sc in the next 4 sc, dc in the last 28 dc. Fasten off white; turn.

Rows 4 and 5: Repeat rows 2 and 3. Fasten off.

Edging: With right side facing you and with white yarn, work (sl st, ch 1) in each st across. Fasten off. Repeat edging on opposite side in the base of the foundation chains. Fasten off. Weave in ends. Mark this as piece B.

Make one of these: With size H hook and red yarn, ch 5.

Row 1: Sc in the 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across; ch 1, turn - 4 sc

Row 2: Sc in each sc across; ch 1, turn - 4 sc

Rows 3-10: Repeat row 2. Do not ch 1 at the end of row 10. Fasten off after row 10. Mark this as piece C.

Assemble Bow

Lay piece B on a flat surface. Fold piece A in half, matching the joined 4 sc with center 4 sc. Lay piece A on piece B, match-

ing the 4 sc sections of piece A with the center 4 sc of piece B. Sew pieces A and B together through all three thicknesses of the center 4 sc to form a bow with tails. Wrap piece C around the sewn sc section at the center of the bow; sew together the ends of piece C behind the bow (under piece B); tack to the back of piece B to secure.

Stars

Make 13.

With size E hook and white yarn, ch 2.

Round 1: Work 5 sc in the second ch from hook; join with a sl st to the first sc

Round 2: (Ch 4, sc in the 2nd ch from hook, hdc in the next ch, dc in the next ch, sl st in the next sc in the ring) 5 times; fasten off. Weave in ends.

Cord

With blue yarn and size H hook, ch 141.

Row 1: Sl st in the second ch from hook and in each ch across. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Assembly

Step 1: Lay one of the wreath body pieces (with the right side up) on a flat surface. Place the center of the bow over the place

where the ends of the wreath body piece were joined together. Sew the bow to the wreath body piece securely.

Step 2: Arrange and pin the 13 stars around the parts of the wreath body piece that aren't covered by the bow. (Do not place stars over the beading round on) Sew around the perimeter of each star to join each star to the wreath body piece.

Step 3: To attach the ruffle, use blue yarn and size H hook. With yarn on hook and right sides together (with the wrong side of the wreath body piece facing you) insert hook in the first ch 1 sp of the beading round (where the ends of the wreath body piece are joined) then insert the hook base of the first dc of the ruffle (where the ruffle is joined); yo and pull through both pieces, yo and pull through both loops on hook to complete sc, *ch 1, insert hook in the next ch 1 sp of the beading round, then skip the next 5 dc on the ruffle piece and insert hook in the base of the next dc on the ruffle piece, yo and pull through both pieces, yo and pull through both loops on hook to complete sc.* Repeat from * to * around (58 times.) Join with a sl st to first sc. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Step 4: With wrong sides of both wreath body pieces together, and with the right side of the piece with the bow facing you, sl st through both pieces with blue yarn in the bases of the dcs around the inside of the "donut" (through row of both pieces); join with a sl st to the first sl st. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Step 5: Insert joined crocheted piece in the center of the wreath form; wrap the wreath body pieces around the wreath form; pin in place. Starting under the bow (from the back side) weave the cord in and out of the beading row of both of the wreath body pieces to close piece around wreath form. Tie the ends of the cord together in a bow in the back of the wreath. Sew a crocheted loop to the back to hang, if desired.



“Land That I Love” Appliqué or Pin



“LAND THAT I LOVE” APPLIQUÉ OR PIN

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Materials:

- A few yards each of red, white and blue size 10 thread
- Crochet hook size 4 (1.75 mm)
- Pin back, if desired

(Or make one in worsted weight yarn with a size G (4.00 mm) or H(5.00 mm) hook to sew to an afghan square or sweat-shirt)

Finished size: About 1 1/2" x 1 1/2" in thread with size 4 hook; about 4" x 4" in ww yarn with size G hook

To change colors at the end of the rows: Insert hook in last sc and pull up a loop, draw a loop of the new color through both loops on hook to complete the sc. Do not cut unless indicated in the pattern.

To work a sc dec: Insert hook in first indicated st and pull up a loop, insert hook in next st and pull up a loop; yo and pull through all 3 remaining loops on hook.

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Pin

With white, ch 2.

Row 1: Sc in the 2nd ch from hook; ch 1, turn. (1 sc)

Row 2: Work 2 sc in the first sc; change to red, tie the red tail to the white strand close to the stitch; ch 1, turn. (2 sc)

Row 3: Work 2 sc in each of the 2 sc; ch 1, turn. (4 sc)

Row 4: Work 2 sc in the first sc, sc in each of the next 2 sc, 2 sc in the last sc; change to white; ch 1, turn. (6 sc)

Row 5: Work 2 sc in the first sc, sc in each of the next 4 sc, 2 sc in the last sc; ch 1, turn. (8 sc)

Row 6: Sc in each sc across; change to red; ch 1, turn. (8 sc)

Row 7: Work 2 sc in the first sc, sc in each of the next 6 sc, 2 sc in the last sc; ch 1, turn. (10 sc)

Row 8: Sc in each sc across; change to white; ch 1, turn. (10 sc)

Row 9: Work 2 sc in the first sc, sc in each of the next 8 sc, 2 sc in the last sc; ch 1, turn. (12 sc)

Row 10: Sc in each sc across; change to red; ch 1, turn. (12 sc)

Row 11: Sc in each sc across; ch 1, turn. (12 sc)

Row 12: Sc in each sc across; change to white, cut red and tie red tail to white strand close to the last stitch; ch 1, turn. (12 sc)

Row 13 (first lobe): Sc dec over the first 2 sc, sc in each of the next 4 sc; ch 1, turn, leaving remaining stitches unworked. (5 sts)

Row 14 (first lobe): Sc dec over the first 2 sts, sc in the next sc, sc dec over the last 2 sts. Fasten off.

Row 13 (second lobe): Attach white with a sc in the first unworked sc on row 12, sc in each of the next 3 sc, sc dec over the last 2 sc; ch 1, turn. (5 sts)

Row 14 (second lobe): Sc dec over the first 2 sts, sc in the next sc, sc dec over the last 2 sts. Fasten off.

Finishing

Round 1: Attach blue with a sl st in the first sc, sl st evenly around the heart; join with a sl st in the back loop only of the first sl st.

Round 2: Ch 1, insert hook through the back loop of the first sl st and through the back of the heart; complete sc; (insert hook between the loops of the next sl st and through the back of the heart; complete sc) around, working 2 sc in each sl st as needed around the lobes of the heart so they don't curl; join with a sl st in the first sc. Fasten off. Weave in all ends.

Attach pin back, if desired, or applique to any cotton item.



Happy Crocheting!