

make it merry

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Beg - beginning

Bet – between

Ch – chain

Cl-sts – cluster stitches

Dc – double crochet

Hdc – half double crochet

Inc – increase

Lp(s) - loop(s)

MC — main color

Rep – repeat

Rnd – round

Sc – single crochet

Sk – skip

SI st – slip stitch

Sp(s) - space(s)

St – stitch

Tr – treble crochet

Yo – yarn over

You're dreaming of a classic Christmas, and these elegant crocheted accessories are the lovely way to get the holiday underway. Picture this: a comfy chair, a crackling fire, and a room full of gorgeous poinsettias.

materials:

I Love This Yarn® (shown in White, Fire Red and Jelly Bean), 7 oz. skeins of 355 yds.

Beads

Yarn needle

Sewing needle and thread



DIRECTIONS:

Center

Using A, ch 4, join with sl st, ch 3, 13 dc into ring, join to beg ch 3. Finish off and weave in ends.

Petal A (Make 5) — See Diagram A (page 9)
Using A, ch 14, 4 tr in fifth ch from hook (4 skipped ch count as 1 tr), 1 tr in next 3 ch, 1 dc in next 2 ch, 1 hdc in next 2 ch, 1 sc in next ch, sl st in last ch.
Ch 3, working on the opposite side of the foundation ch sl st back into same ch as last sl st, 1 sc in next ch, 1 hdc in next 2 ch, 1 dc in next 2 ch, 1 tr in next 3 ch, 4 tr in last ch, join with sl st to beg tr. Finish off and weave in ends.

Flower A

Using A and yarn needle, sew the 5 petals around the outside of poinsettia center. Petals should slightly overlap (see Diagam C on page 10).

Petal B (Make 5) — See Diagram B (page 9) Using A, ch 19, 4 tr in fifth ch from hook

(4 skipped ch count as 1 tr), 1 tr in next 5 ch, 1 dc in next 3 ch, 1 hdc in next 3 ch, 1 sc in next 2 ch, sl st in last ch.

Ch 3, working on the opposite side of the foundation ch sl st back into same ch as last sl st, 1 sc in next 2 ch, 1 hdc in next 3 ch, 1 dc in next 3 ch, 1 tr in next 5 ch, 4 tr in last ch, join with sl st to beg tr. Finish off and weave in ends.

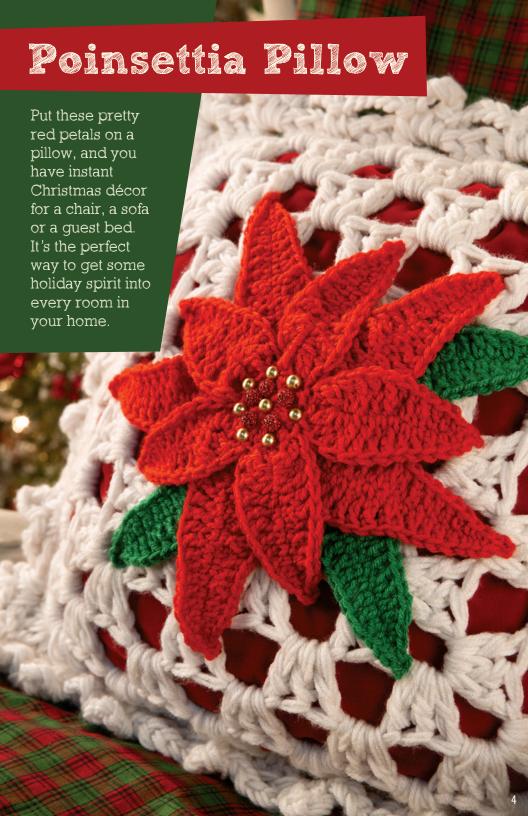
Flower B

Using A and yarn needle, sew the 5 petals to the back of the completed Flower A in a circle evenly around center. With coordinating thread, sew the beads to center of poinsettia.

Leaf (Make 3)
Using B, rep Petal B directions.

Leaf Cluster

Using B, sew leaves to one half of completed poinsettia spaced evenly around center.





SIZE: 18" square

MATERIALS:

Color 1 (MC) — 3 skeins Color 2 (A) — 1 skein Color 3 (B) — 1 skein Pillow form (14")

CROCHET HOOK:

Size P-15 (10 mm) or size needed to obtain gauge

GAUGE: First rnd = 3 ¾"

DIRECTIONS:

Note: This pattern was worked holding three strands of yarn together.

Pillow Side (Make 2)

Rnd 1 (right side): Using MC, ch 4, sl st in first ch to form ring, ch 3 (counts as first dc now and throughout), 2 dc in ring, ch 2, (3 dc in ring, ch 2) 3 times; join with sl st to first dc (join all rnds in this manner) (12 dc).

Rnd 2: SI st in next 2 dc and ch-2 sp, ch 3, (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, *(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next sp, ch 2; rep from * twice more; join (24 dc).

Rnd 3: SI st in next 2 dc and ch-2 sp, ch 3, (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, 3 dc in ch-1 sp, ch 1, *(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next sp, ch 1, 3 dc in ch-1 sp, ch 1; rep from * twice more; join (36 dc).

Rnd 4: SI st in next 2 dc and ch-2 sp, ch 3, (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, (3 dc in ch-1 sp, ch 1) twice, *(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next sp, ch 1, (3 dc in ch-1 sp, ch 1) twice; rep from * twice more; join (48 dc).

Rnd 5: SI st in next 2 dc and ch-2 sp, ch 3, (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, (3 dc in ch-1 sp, ch 1) 3 times, *(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next sp, ch 1, (3 dc in ch-1 sp, ch 1) 3 times; rep from * twice more; join (60 dc).

Rnd 6: SI st in next 2 dc and ch-2 sp, ch 3, (2 dc, ch 2,

3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, (3 dc in ch-1 sp, ch 1) 4 times, *(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next sp, ch 1, (3 dc in ch-1 sp, ch 1) 4 times; rep from * twice more; join (72 dc). Finish off.

Following poinsettia directions, make 1 Flower A, Flower B and Leaf Cluster. With right side of one pillow side facing and using long ends and yarn needle, sew assembled poinsettia to center of pillow side.

Edging

Rnd 1: Holding both pillow sides together with wrong sides facing each other, work through both sides at the same time with pillow form in bet pillow sides. Join MC with sl st in any corner, ch 3, (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, (3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1) across to next corner, *(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in corner, ch 1, (3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1) across to next corner, rep from * around; join with sl st to first dc (84 dc).

Rnd 2: SI st in next 2 dc and ch-2 sp, ch 1, (sc, ch 5) twice in each sp around; join with sI st to first sc. Finish off and weave in ends.



Here's a little something extra for under the tree. This heirloom-worthy tree skirt means your carefully decorated evergreen will be gorgeously dressed, even after all the presents have been opened.

SIZE:

60" wide across the middle point to point

MATERIALS:

Color 1 (MC) — 8 skeins **Color 2 (A)** — 2 skeins **Color 3 (B)** — 1 skein

CROCHET HOOK:

Size N-13 (9 mm) or size needed to obtain gauge

SPECIAL STITCH:

Picot – Ch 3, sl st in third ch from hook

Tree Skirt

DIRECTIONS:

Note: This pattern was worked holding two strands of yarn together.

Row 1 (wrong side): With MC, ch 32, dc in fourth ch from hook and in next 3 ch, (ch 3, dc in next 5 ch) across (30 dc).

Rows 2-25: Ch 3 (counts as first dc, now and throughout), turn, dc in first dc, *dc in each dc across to dc before ch-3 sp, 2 dc in dc before ch-3 sp, ch 3, sk next ch-3 sp, 2 dc in next dc, rep from * 4 more times, dc in each dc across to last dc, 2 dc in last dc (inc 12 each row).

At the end of row 25, there will be 318 dc.

Row 26: Ch 5, turn, sk first 2 dc, *(sc in next dc, ch 5, sk next 2 dc) across to next ch-3 sp, (sc, ch 5) twice in ch-3 sp sk next 2 dc, rep from * 4 more times, sc in next dc, (ch 5, sk next 2 dc, sc in next dc) across (106 ch-5 sps).

Row 27: Ch 5, turn, sc in first ch-5 sp, (ch 5, sc in next ch-5 sp) across (106 ch-5 sps).

Row 28: Ch 2, turn, picot, ch 2, sc in first ch-5 sp, (ch 2, picot, ch 2, sc in next ch-5 sp) across (106 picots). Finish off.

Following poinsettia directions, make 6 Flower A, Flower B and Leaf Cluster. Using yarn and yarn needle, sew one completed poinsettia to the center of each skirt panel.

SIZE:

55" wide x 65" long

MATERIALS:

Color 1 (MC) – 13 skeins

Color 2 (A) – 2 skeins

Color 3 (B) – 1 skein

CROCHET HOOK:

Size K-10 ½ (6.5 mm) or size needed to obtain gauge

SPECIAL STITCH:

Picot – Ch 3, sl st in third ch from hook

Christmas is about getting cozy—and getting cozy calls for the quintessential holiday afghan. Imagine handing this one down from grandmother to granddaughter to great-granddaughter.



DIRECTIONS:

Note: This pattern was worked holding two strands of yarn together.

Rnd 1 (right side): With MC, ch 1, *ch 3, keeping last lp of each st on hook, 2 dc in fourth ch from hook, yo and draw through 3 lps on hook (cluster st made), ch 1, rep from * once more, ch 3 (counts as first dc, now and throughout), 2 dc in fourth ch from hook, (ch 2, 3 dc) twice in same ch, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-1 sp bet cl-sts, ch 1, [3 dc, (ch 2, 3 dc) twice] in first ch, ch 1, 3 dc in ch-1 sp bet cl-sts, ch 1, join with sl st to first dc (8 groups of 3-dc and 2 cl-sts).

Rnd 2: Ch 3, turn, 2 dc in ch-1 sp, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1, *(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, *(3 dc, ch 1) in next 2 ch-1 sps, ch 1, rep from * to * once; join with sl st to first dc (12 groups of 3-dc).

Rnd 3: Ch 3, turn, 2 dc in first ch-1 sp, *(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, 3 dc in ch-1 sp, ch 1, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, *(3 dc, ch 1) in each ch-1 sp across to next corner, rep * to * once, (3 dc, ch 1) in next 2 ch-1 sps; join with sl st to first dc (16 groups of 3-dc).

Rnds 4-11: Continue as established working (3 dc, ch 1) in each ch-1 sp and (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc, ch 1) in each corner ch-2 sp.

At the end of rnd 11, finish off.

Rnd 12: With right side facing, join A with sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, (sc, ch 5, sc) in same sp, *ch 5, (sc in next ch-1 sp, ch 5) across to next corner*, **(sc, ch 5, sc) in corner, rep * to * once, rep from ** around; join with sl st to first sc.

Rnd 13: SI st in next 2 ch, (sc, ch 5, sc) in same lp, *ch 5, (sc in next lp, ch 5) across to next corner*, **(sc, ch 5, sc) in corner, rep * to * once, rep from ** around; join with sI st to first sc. Finish off.

Rnd 14: With right side facing, join MC with sl st in any corner ch-5 sp, ch 3, (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, *ch 1, (3 dc in next ch-5 sp, ch 1) across to next corner*, **(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in corner, rep * to * once, rep from ** around; join with sl st to first sc.

Rnd 15: Ch 3, turn, 2 dc in first ch-1 sp, ch 1, *(3 dc, ch 1) in each ch-1 sp across to next corner, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in corner, ch 1, rep from * around; join with sl st to first dc.

Rnds 16-25: Continue as established working (3 dc, ch 1) in each ch-1 sp and (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc, ch 1) in each corner ch-2 sp.

Rnd 26: Ch 1, turn, (sc in next ch-1 sp, ch 5) across to next corner, *(sc, ch 5, sc) in corner, ch 5, (sc in next ch-1 sp, ch 5) across, rep from * around, join with sl st to first sc.

Rnd 27: SI st into corner, ch 6 (counts as 1 sc, ch 5), sc in same lp, ch 5, [sc in next lp, ch 5] across to next corner, *[sc, ch 5, sc] in corner, ch 5, [sc in next lp, ch 5] across to next corner, rep from * around. SI st to beg ch to join.

Rnd 28: SI st into corner, ch 3 (counts as 1 sc, ch 2), picot, ch 2, sc in same corner, *ch 2, picot, ch 2, [sc in next lp, ch 2, picot, ch 2] across to next corner, [sc, ch 2, picot, ch 2, sc] in corner, rep from * around, ending with *[sc in next lp, ch 2, picot, ch 2], sl st to beg ch to join.

Following poinsettia directions, make 6 Flower A, Flower B and Leaf Cluster. Using yarn and yarn needle, sew completed poinsettias to afghan.

Diagram A

POINSETTIA PETAL A (PAGE 3)

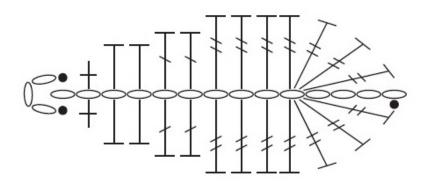


Diagram B

POINSETTIA PETAL B AND LEAF (PAGE 3)

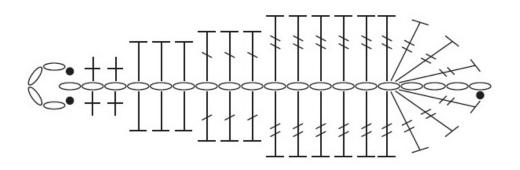
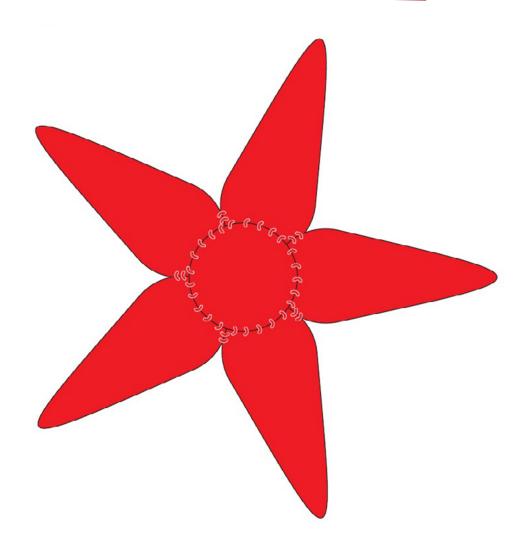


Diagram C POINSETTIA FLOWER A (PAGE 3)



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