## LW5719

## EASY <br> crochet

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What you will need:
RED HEART ${ }^{\circledR}$ Super Saver ${ }^{\text {® }}: 1$ skein each 520 Minty A, 885 Delft Blue B and 381 Light Blue C

Susan Bates ${ }^{\circledR}$ Crochet Hook 3.75 mm [US F-5]

Yarn needle, fabric stiffener
GAUGE: 1 motif $=2^{\prime \prime}$ wide $x$ $23 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ long [ $5 \times 7 \mathrm{~cm}$ ]. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.

## BUY YARN

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RED HEART ${ }^{\circ}$ Super Saver ${ }^{\text {® }}$, Art. E300 available in solid color 7 oz (198 g), 364 yds ( 333 m ); stripes, prints, multis and heathers 5 oz ( 141 g), 236 yds ( 215 m ); flecks 5 oz (141 g), 260 yds ( 238 m ) skeins


## Star Coasters

Crochet a set of stars to use for Hanukkah or any wintertime entertaining. Then make an extra set to give as a gift to a host!

Coaster measures $7^{\prime \prime}$ [18 cm] from point to opposite point, blocked and stiffened.

## NOTE

Coaster is made of six points which are sewn together to make a star.

## SPECIAL TECHNIQUES

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 2 nd round of stitches is worked, pull gently, but firmly, on tail to tighten ring. Do not close ring completely.
Invisible join = After last stitch in round is made, cut yarn leaving a long tail. Pull tail completely through last stitch. Thread the tail onto yarn needle and weave the end under the top 2 loops of the first stitch of the round and then back down into the center of the top of the last stitch of the round. Weave tail through wrong side of piece to first stitch to be sewn.

## COASTER (make 1 each with A, $B$, and C)

Point Motif (make 6)
Make an adjustable ring.
Round 1: Ch 1, *(sc, hdc, dc, ch 3, dc
hdc) in ring; repeat from * once; join with slip st in first sc - 12 sts and 2 ch- 3 spaces.
Round 2: Ch 3 (counts as first hdc, ch 1), hdc in first sc, *hdc in next 2 sts, (2 hdc, ch 3,2 hdc) in next ch-3 space, hdc in next 2 sts*, (hdc, ch 1, hdc) in next sc; repeat from * to * once; join in top of
beginning ch with invisible join, leaving a long tail for sewing - $20 \mathrm{hdc}, 2 \mathrm{ch}-1$ spaces, and 2 ch- 3 spaces. Pull gently on tail to tighten ring but do not close completely.

## FINISHING

Arrange pieces with ch-3 spaces at center and outer points. With right sides of 2 motifs held together, beginning in nearest ch and working through both sets of loops, whipstitch in each st and ch across, ending in center ch of next ch-3 space at center of Coaster. Secure and cut tail. Repeat to join each remaining motif to previous motif. Weave in ends.
Block to finished measurement, stretching and pinning out outer ch-3 spaces to accentuate each point and straighten edges. Spray with fabric stiffener.

## ABBREVIATIONS

$\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C}=$ Color $\mathrm{A}, \mathrm{B}, \mathrm{C} ; \mathbf{c h}=$ chain; $\mathbf{c m}=$ centimeters; dc = double crochet; $\mathbf{h d c}=$ half double crochet; mm = millimeters; $\mathbf{s c}=$ single crochet; $\boldsymbol{s t}(\mathbf{s})=$ stitch(es); * or ${ }^{* *}=$ repeat whatever follows the * or ** as indicated.
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