



How to crochet a quick star applique in about 10 minutes that is perfect for an Americana themed project or 4th of July celebration, or change the colors of the stars for Graduation, Christmas and New Years!

The beauty of this applique is that you can use any yarn with the respective hook for whatever project you have in mind!

Here is [the video tutorial](#).

Materials:

- 12 Yards of Yarn & Respective Crochet Hook
 - #10 Cotton Thread & B/2mm Hook - I used Aunt Lydia's Classic Crochet Thread in Burgundy
 - Sock Weight & D/3mm Hook - I used Premier Yarns Wool-Free Sock Yarn in Pueblo, which sadly has been discontinued
 - Fine Weight (2) & E/3.5mm Hook - I used Lion Brand's Vanna's Glamour in Diamond, which sadly has been discontinued
 - Light/Sport (3) & 7/4.5mm Hook - I used Hobby Lobby's I Love This Sportweight in Red
 - Worsted Weight (4) & I9/5.5mm Hook - I used Hobby Lobby's I Love This Yarn in Ivory Sparkle
 - Chunky (5) & J10/6mm Hook - I used Premier's Serenity Chunky in After Dark
- Tapestry Needle for Weaving in Ends

Measurements from Point to Point:

- Burgundy Star: 2" - Pueblo Star: 2 1/4" - Diamond Star 3"
- Red Star: 3 1/2" - Ivory Sparkle: 4 1/2" - After Dark Star: 5 1/4"

Abbreviations (US Terms):

- SC - Single Crochet ([Photo Tutorial](#))
- TR - Treble Crochet aka Triple Crochet [yarn over twice, insert hook into stitch, yarn over, pull through (4 loops on hook), (yarn over, pull through two loops) 3x]
- DTR - Double Treble Crochet aka Quadruple Crochet [yarn over three times, insert hook into stitch, yarn over, pull through (5 loops on hook), (yarn over, pull through two loops) 4x]
- DC - Double Crochet ([Photo Tutorial](#))
- HDC - Half Double Crochet ([Tutorial](#))

Pattern Notes:

I work my increases differently than most to help keep my seam straight, and that is that the first stitch from the first set of increases is done in the first stitch of the round, which will appear just to left of the beginning chain, then the round will be worked as normal, and the final stitch of the round will be the second stitch of the first set of increases, and it will be worked into the same stitch as the first, and appear just to the right of the beginning chain. Scroll past the pattern to see a photo of the stitch placement. Though there are only two rounds, and a straight seam isn't really an issue, this is my preferred method – you can work in your preferred increase method for the center as long as you end up with 20 stitches.

Should you starch or block your finished star? That depends on the yarn you're using, your preference and what you will use your star for. Examples:

- If you will be hanging the star for an earring or garland, I would recommend starching to give it a defined shape, otherwise, the legs will curl up while hanging.
- If you will be using the star flat on a surface, such as for a coaster, then you can most likely finger press the star flat, but if you want a more relaxed and defined shape, then blocking is the way to go.
- This is the same if you'll be sewing it onto something. You can stretch it a lot and tack down all spots so I wouldn't worry with finishing, but if you want more relaxed and defined, then block.

Pattern:

Chain 5. Join to form a ring. Chain 1, work 10 HDC into the ring. Join to the first HDC. (10 HDC)

R2: Chain 1, HDC in the 1st HDC, 2 HDC in each of the next 9 HDCs, HDC in the last HDC. Join to the first HDC. (20 HDC)

R3: (Chain 6 and work down the chain, SC in the 2nd chain, HDC in the 3rd chain, DC in the 4th chain, TR in the 5th chain and DTR in the 6th chain; Back to the circle, skip the first stitch that the chain 6 is coming out of, and next three HDCs, slip stitch in the 5th stitch) 5x, ending with your slip stitch in the same stitch as you began the round.

Finishing:

- Option 1: Fasten off with a regular length, and weave in ends. Use as is, or attach to project by gluing on or sewing on.
- Option 2: Fasten off with a long tail end for sewing, and weave in initial tail end only. Use long tail to sew onto a project.

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Where to Place 1st and Last Stitch?



This photo shows stitch placement based on the technique mentioned in the pattern notes section.

What Can I Make with a Crocheted Applique?

One of the fun things I love to do with crocheted appliques is work up the same pattern in different weight yarns to see what sizing I can get, and then see how the applique could be used. Here are a few ideas:

- Work in 100% cotton yarn to use as coasters, like I did in my Seeing Stars Coasters, or as large facial scrubbies – the textured center is great for exfoliating!
- Make several and string up to make a garland for wall decor, mantel, entryway table, etc, or hang as an ornament. You may need to starch the stars to get them to lay flat.
- Worked in a lightweight #3 yarn or lighter, glue to an alligator clip for a cute hair accessory.
- Sew onto a scarf, afghan, throw pillow, tote bag, etc, like I've done in my Seeing Stars Throw Pillow and Seeing Stars Hand Towel.
- Work in #10 cotton crochet thread and hang from earring wires for a cute pair of earrings (you may need to starch), or try sewing thread for a tinier star that might even work inside an earring hoop!
- Glue to the front of a card.
- Make several, and glue onto a wreath base.

Links Included in this Pattern:

There may be links throughout the pattern, such as to the video tutorial. If you are viewing from the digital version, you can click directly on those links to be taken to its respective post or video, but if you are viewing from a printed version, you can use your mobile device to scan any of the following QR codes to get to the same place. Open your camera, hover over the QR code, and a link will pop up. Click on the link.



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