



Designed during Desert Storm, this spectacular gold-fringed afghan pays tribute to the USA. Show your patriotic spirit with a brilliant flash of stars and stripes.

Old Glory

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Skill Level
Easy

Size
45" x 60" plus fringe

Materials
4-ply worsted-weight yarn: 30 oz. white,
24 oz. red, 5 oz. medium gold, 4 oz. blue
Hook sizes G/6 (4.50mm) and I/9 (5.50mm)

Gauge
5 dc = 1½"; 3 dc rows = 1½"

Instructions

Notes:

1. This pattern is worked from top to bottom.
2. When working star section, work over strand not in use.
3. To change color, work complete dc with 1st color, draw lp of new color through lp on hook, pull end of 1st color tightly downward.
4. Crochet hook size I is used only for the foundation ch, and remainder of afghan is worked with hook size G.
5. Ch 3 at beginning of row counts as 1st dc throughout.

Instructions:

Row 1: With I hook and blue, ch 114, drop blue, do not fasten off, continue with red, ch 131, turn, change to G hook, dc in 3rd ch from hook, dc in each red dc, draw up a lp of blue (see Notes), drop red, do not fasten off, dc in each ch across, turn. (244)

Row 2: With blue, ch 3, dc in each blue dc with blue, dc in each red dc with red, turn.

Row 3: With red, ch 3, dc in each red dc with red, 6 dc with blue, (with white, work 2 dc, with blue, work 18 dc) 5 times, ending with 2 white dc and 6 blue dc, turn. (244)

Row 4: With blue, ch 3, 5 dc with blue, (2 white dc, 18 blue dc) 5 times, 2 white dc, 6 blue dc, red dc in each dc across, turn.

Row 5: Ch 3, dc in each red dc with red, 3 blue dc, (8 white dc, 12 blue dc) 5 times, ending with 8 white dc, 3 blue dc, turn.

Row 6: Ch 3, 4 blue dc, (4 white dc, 16 blue dc) 5 times, 5 blue dc, red dc in each red dc across, fasten off red and white from star section, turn.

Row 7: Join white, ch 3, white dc in each red dc across, 4 blue dc, (2 white dc, 2 blue dc, 2 white dc, 6 blue dc, 2 white dc, 6 blue dc) 5 times, 2 white dc, 2 blue dc, 2 white dc, 4 blue dc, turn.

Row 8: Ch 3, 2 blue dc, (2 white dc, 4

blue dc, 2 white dc, 5 blue dc, 2 white dc, 5 blue dc) 5 times, 2 white dc, 4 blue dc, 2 white dc, 3 blue dc, white dc in each white dc across, turn.

Row 9: Ch 3, dc in each white dc across, 13 blue dc, (8 white dc, 12 blue dc) 4 times, 8 white dc, 13 blue dc, turn.

Row 10: Ch 3, 14 blue dc, (4 white dc, 16 blue dc) 4 times, 4 white dc, 15 blue dc, white dc in each white dc across, turn.

Row 11: Ch 3, dc in each white dc, 6 blue dc, (2 white dc, 6 blue dc, 2 white dc, 2 blue dc, 2 white dc, 6 blue dc) 5 times, 2 white dc, 6 blue dc, turn.

Row 12: Ch 3, 5 blue dc, (2 white dc, 5 blue dc, 2 white dc, 4 blue dc, 2 white dc, 5 blue dc) 5 times, 2 white dc, 6 blue dc, white dc in each white dc across, fasten off white, turn.

Note: On rows 13-36, work stripe pattern of (6 rows red, 6 rows white) twice.

Pattern repeats indicated are for star section only.

Rows 13-36: Repeat rows 5-12 for star pattern, working stripe pattern as indicated in previous Note.

Note: Work Rows 37-42 of stripe pattern with red adjacent to following blue/star section:

Row 37 & 38: Rep Rows 5 and 6.

Row 39: 4 blue dc, (2 white dc, 2 blue dc, 2 white dc, 14 blue dc) 5 times, 2 white dc, 4 blue dc, 2 white dc, 3 blue dc, turn.

Row 40: Ch 3, 2 blue dc, (2 white dc, 4 blue dc, 2 white dc, 12 blue dc) 5 times, 2 white dc, 4 blue dc, 2 white dc, 3 blue dc, turn.

Rows 41 & 42: Ch 3, blue dc in each st across blue section, turn, at end of Row 42, fasten off red and blue.

Rows 43-48: With white, ch 3, dc in each dc across, turn. (244)

At end of row 48, fasten off white, turn.

Rows 49-78: Repeat row 43, alternating 6 rows each of red and white, ending with red.

At end of row 78, fasten off.

Fringe:

Fringe is worked around entire outer edge of afghan. On opposite side of foundation ch and row 78, attach fringe in every 3rd st; on side edges, attach fringe in end of each row.

For each fringe, cut five 10" strands of gold; fold strands in half, draw fold through st at bottom of afghan, draw cut ends through fold, pull to secure. When all fringe is complete, trim ends evenly.