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## Betsy Ross Patriotic Apron

*This apron features cleverly styled stars and stripes in “proud to be an American” colors of red, white and blue. It’s great for wearing at every patriotic holiday gathering!*

### What you will need:

**RED HEART® Super Saver®:** 1 skein each of 385 Royal A, 316 Soft White B, and 319 Cherry Red C

**Susan Bates® Crochet Hooks:** 5.5mm [US I-9] and 3.75mm [US F-5] (for stars only)

Stitch marker, yarn needle

**GAUGE:** 12 sts = 4” (10 cm); 6 rows = 4” (10 cm) in double crochet (dc) using larger hook.

**CHECK YOUR GAUGE.** Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.



**RED HEART® Super Saver®**, Art. E300 available in solid color

7 oz (198 g), 364 yd (333 m); multi color and print 5 oz (141 g), 236 yd (215 m), flecks 5 oz (141g), 260 yds (238 m) skeins

SHOP KIT

**Apron measures about 29” (73.5) cm long, not including top ties, and is designed to fit most adults.**

### Special Stitch

**sc2tog (single crochet 2 stitches together)** = [Insert hook in next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop] twice, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

### Special Technique

**Join with sc** = Place a slip knot on hook, insert hook in indicated stitch, yarn over and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through both loops on hook.

### Notes

1. Apron is made in eight sections: Skirt, top of skirt, waist tie, bib, two bib borders with ties, skirt border, and apron border.
2. The skirt is worked from side to side, back and forth in rows. The top of the skirt is shaped by working stitches across one side edge of the skirt piece.
3. The waist tie and bib are worked in rows above the top of skirt. Borders are worked along both sides of the bib and top ties are worked at the same time as the bib borders. A border is worked around the remaining sides of the skirt, then a border is worked all the way around the outer edges of the entire apron.
4. The heart pocket and stars are worked separately and sewn to the apron.
5. To change color, work last stitch of old color to last yarn over. Yarn over with new color and draw through all loops on hook to complete stitch. Proceed with new color. Do not fasten off old color until instructed. Carry color not in use carefully up side of piece until next needed.

## APRON Skirt

With larger hook and **C**, ch 45.

**Row 1 (right side):** Dc in 4th ch from hook (3 skipped ch count as first dc) and in each remaining ch across, turn—43 dc.

**Row 2:** Ch 1 (counts as first slip st), skip first dc, \*dc in next st, slip st in next st; repeat from \* across working last slip st in top of beginning ch; change to **B** in last slip st, turn—22 slip sts and 21 dc.

**Row 3:** With **B**, ch 3 (counts as first dc here and throughout), skip first slip st, dc in each remaining st across working last dc in beginning ch-1, turn—43 dc.

**Row 4:** With **B**, repeat Row 2; change to **C** in last st

**Row 5:** With **C**, repeat Row 3.

**Row 6:** With **C**, repeat Row 2; change to **B** in last st.

**Rows 7–50:** Repeat Rows 3–6 eleven more times. Do not turn at the end of the last row. Fasten off **B**. Do not fasten off **C**.

### Top of Skirt

**Row 1:** With **C**, working alongside edge of skirt, sc in the end of each row across, turn—50 sc.

**Row 2:** Ch 1, \*sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog; repeat from \* across, turn—40 sc.

**Row 3:** Ch 1, \*sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog; repeat from \* across, turn—30 sc.

**Row 4:** Ch 1, [sc2tog] 3 times, sc in next 18 sts, [sc2tog] 3 times, turn—24 sc. Fasten off **C**.

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## Waist Tie

**Row 1 (right side):** With larger hook and **A**, ch 80, sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining ch across; with right side facing, sc in each of the 24 sts of last row of top of skirt, ch 80, turn.

**Row 2:** Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in next 78 ch, sc in each remaining ch across, turn—182 sc.

**Row 3:** Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn. Fasten off **A**.

## Bib

With right side facing and larger hook, join **B** with slip st in 80th st of waist tie.

**Row 1 (right side):** Ch 3, dc in next 11 sts, 2 dc in next st, dc in next 11 sts, turn; leave remaining sts unworked—25 dc.

**Row 2:** Ch 1 (counts as first slip st), skip first dc, \*dc in next st, slip st in next st; repeat from \* across working last slip st in top of beginning ch; change to **C** in last slip st, turn—13 slip sts and 12 dc.

**Row 3:** With **C**, ch 3 (counts as first dc here and throughout), skip first slip st, dc in each remaining st across working last dc in beginning ch-1, turn—43 dc.

**Row 4:** With **C**, repeat Row 2; change to **B** in last st

**Row 5:** With **B**, repeat Row 3.

**Row 6:** With **B**, repeat Row 2; change to **C** in last st.

**Rows 7–10:** Repeat Rows 3–6; change to **A** at the end of Row 10.

Fasten off **B** and **C**.

**Row 11:** With **A**, ch 1, sc in each st across working last sc in beginning ch-1, turn.

**Rows 12–19:** Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

**Row 20:** Ch 1, [sc2tog] 3 times, sc in next 13 sts, [sc2tog] 3 times—19 sc. Fasten off **A**.

## Bib Border and Top Tie on First Side

**Row 1 (right side):** With right side of bib facing and larger hook, join **A** with sc in edge of Row 1 of bib to work in ends of rows along one side edge of bib, work 23 more sc evenly spaced alongside edge, ch 61, turn—24 sc and 61 ch.

**Row 2:** Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining ch and sc across, turn—84 sc.

**Row 3:** Ch 1, sc in each sc across. Fasten off **A**. Sew lower edge of this section to top edge of waist tie.

## Bib Border and Top Tie on Second Side

**Row 1 (right side):** With larger hook and **A**, ch 60; with right side of bib facing, work sc in edge of last row of bib to work in ends of rows along remaining side edge of bib, work 23 more sc evenly spaced alongside edge, turn—24 sc and 60 ch.

**Row 2:** Ch 1, sc in each sc and ch across—84 sc.

**Row 3:** Ch 1, sc in each sc across. Fasten off **A**. Sew lower edge of this section to top edge of waist tie.

## Skirt Border

**Row 1 (right side):** With right side facing and larger hook, join **A** with sc in edge of skirt just below waist tie to work alongside edge of skirt, sc evenly spaced down around skirt to just below waist tie on other side, working 3 sc in each lower corner, turn.

**Row 2:** Ch 2, hdc in each st to center sc of first 3-sc corner, 3 dc in center sc, 3 dc in each st to center sc of next 3-sc corner, 3 dc in center sc, hdc in each remaining sc to waist, turn.

## For other patterns shown see:

LW4763 Americana Jar Cozies

LW4758 American Star Table Runner

LW4746 Patriotic Stripes Bottle Cozy



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**Row 3:** Ch 1, sc in each st of Row 2.  
Fasten off **A**. Sew edges of border to lower edge of waist tie.

### Apron Border

**Round 1 (right side):** With right side facing and larger hook, join **B** with slip st in lower edge of waist tie near last row of skirt border, ch 2, hdc in each st of last row of skirt border; slip st evenly around edges of end of waist tie; hdc evenly up side of bib to first top tie; slip st evenly around edges of top tie; hdc evenly across top of bib; slip st evenly around edges of other top tie; hdc evenly down side of bib; slip st around edges of other end of waist tie; join with slip st in first hdc.

**Row 2:** \*Sc in next st, 3 hdc in next st; repeat from \* around skirt border to waist tie.  
Fasten off **B**.

### HEART POCKET

With larger hook and **A**, ch 2.

**Round 1 (right side):** Work 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook; do not join, work in continuous rounds (spiral)—6 sc. Place marker in last stitch made, to indicate end of round. Move marker up as each round is completed.

**Round 2:** Work 2 sc in each st around—12 sc.

**Round 3:** [Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st]  
6 times—18 sc.

**Round 4:** [Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st]  
6 times—24 sc.

**Round 5:** [Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st]  
6 times—30 sc.

**Round 6:** Work 3 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts, 2 hdc in each of next 2 sts, 2 dc in each of next 3 sts, 2 hdc in next st, sc in next 2 sts, slip st in next st, sc in next 2 sts, 2 hdc in next st, 2 dc in each of next 3 sts, 2 hdc in each of next 2 sts, sc in next 6 sts—44 sts.

**Round 7:** Sc in next st, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts, hdc in next st, 2 hdc in each of next 2 sts, dc in next 4 sts, 2 dc in each of next 2 sts, 2 hdc in each of next 2 sts, sc in next st, skip next st, slip st in next st, skip next st, sc in next st, 2 hdc in each of next 2 sts, 2 dc in each of next 2 sts, dc in next 4 sts, 2 hdc in each of next 2 sts, hdc in next st, sc in next 7 sts, slip st in next st.  
Fasten off.

### STARS (make 4)

With smaller hook and **B**, ch 2.

**Round 1:** Work 5 sc in 2nd ch from hook; do not join, work in continuous rounds (spiral). Place marker in last stitch made, to indicate end of round. Move marker up as each round is completed.

**Round 2:** Work 2 sc in each st around—10 sc.

**Round 3:** \*Slip st in next st, ch 3, sc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc in next ch (point made), skip next st; repeat from \* 4 more times; join with slip st in first slip st—5 points.  
Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

### FINISHING

Sew one star to front of heart pocket.  
Sew three remaining stars evenly spaced across top **A**-colored section of bib. Using photograph as a guide, sew heart pocket to skirt of apron. Weave in ends.

### ABBREVIATIONS

**A, B, C** = Color A, Color B, Color C etc;  
**ch** = chain; **dc** = double crochet; **hdc** = half double crochet; **sc** = single crochet; **st(s)** = stitch(es); [ ] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; \* = repeat whatever follows the \* as indicated.

