Stars and stripes doily

DK cotton · US terms



Finished size
About 9½ in (24 cm) across

Skill
Easy
Worked in rounds, with the stitches named

Yarn
Light (3), 3 colors

Hook
4 mm (US G-6)

Gauge
17 stitches to 4 in (10 cm)
In double crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: navy, main color	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: white, color B	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: red, color C	**about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**

Hook: 4 mm (US G-6). Also: a yarn needle and scissors.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. The estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
DK cotton (this file)	**9½ in (24 cm) across**	**about 50 yd (46 m)**
Size 10 thread	4¼ in (11 cm) across	about 25 yd (23 m)
Worsted cotton	11½ in (29 cm) across	about 60 yd (54 m)

Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

ch chain
sl st slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
dc double crochet (UK tr, treble)
dc2tog double crochet the next 2 stitches together: work each up to its last pull through, then yo and draw through all loops on
dc3tog double crochet the next 3 stitches together: work each up to its last pull through, then yo and draw through all loops on

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sp	space
st	stitch
sk	skip
beg	beginning
rnd	round

Special stitches

beg-dc2tog (Beginning decrease): Ch 2, dc in next st (counts as dc2tog). The join at the end of the round goes in the top of this dc. It leaves 1 beg-dc2tog for the next row.

beg-dc3tog (Beginning decrease): Ch 2, dc2tog over the next 2 sts (counts as dc3tog). The join at the end of the round goes in the top of this dc2tog, not in the ch 2. It leaves 1 beg-dc3tog for the next row.

picot (Picot): Ch 3, sl st in the 3rd ch from hook. It leaves 1 picot for the next row.

Gauge

17 stitches to 4 in (10 cm) in double crochet.

17 double crochet to 4 in (10 cm).

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 4 the piece should measure about 3¾ in (9.5 cm) across, laid flat.

Before you start

- Magic ring: wrap the yarn round two fingers, work the first round into the loop, then pull the tail to close it. Ch 4 joined into a ring with a sl st does as well.
- Every round is worked with the right side facing; do not turn.
- A beginning chain counts as the stitch in brackets after it. A ch 1 at the start of a round does not count as a stitch.
- When the next stitch or space of a kind is named, pass over anything else that comes before it. Work into a space round the chain, not into it.
- Join a new color with a sl st in the place named. Fasten off a color only where the round says so; where it does not, the same color goes on into the next round.
- A picot loop is a chain, a picot and a chain between two stitches; it is counted as one.

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Instructions

Chosen: DK cotton. Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a round is done. In UK terms sl st is slip stitch, sc is double crochet and dc is treble.

Yarns in order of use: A, navy; B, white; C, red.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), 11 dc in ring, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3	**(12 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same st, **[**2 dc in next dc**] 11 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off A	**(24 dc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Join B with sl st in first dc, ch 5 (counts as dc, ch 2), sk next dc, **[**dc in next dc, ch 2, sk next dc**] 11 times**, join with sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-5. Fasten off B	**(12 dc, 12 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Join C with sl st in any ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-2 sp, ch 1**] 11 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3	**(36 dc, 12 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same st, dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc, ch 2, **[**2 dc in next dc, dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc, ch 2**] 11 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3	**(60 dc, 12 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	Beg-dc2tog, dc in next st, dc2tog over next 2 sts, ch 2, sc in next ch-2 sp, ch 2, **[**dc2tog over next 2 sts, dc in next st, dc2tog over next 2 sts, ch 2, sc in next ch-2 sp, ch 2**] 11 times**, join with sl st in top of beg-dc2tog	**(24 dc2tog, 12 dc, 12 sc, 24 ch-2 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	Beg-dc3tog, ch 3, **[**sc in next ch-2 sp, ch 3**] 2 times**, **[**dc3tog over next 3 sts, ch 3, **[**sc in next ch-2 sp, ch 3**] 2 times] 11 times**, join with sl st in top of beg-dc3tog. Fasten off C	**(24 sc, 12 dc3tog, 36 ch-3 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	Join B with sl st in any ch-3 sp, ch 1, sc in same sp, ch 3, **[**sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 3**] 35 times**, join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off B	**(36 sc, 36 ch-3 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	Join A with sl st in any ch-3 sp, ch 1, sc in same sp, ch 3, **[**sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 3**] 35 times**, join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off A	**(36 sc, 36 ch-3 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 10**	Join B with sl st in any ch-3 sp, ch 1, sc in same sp, ch 3, picot, ch 3, **[**sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 3, picot, ch 3**] 35 times**, join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off	**(36 sc, 36 picot loop)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Finishing

- Weave in all ends with the yarn needle.
- To block: wet the piece, lay it right side up on a towel, pin it out to size with every loop and picot drawn evenly, and let it dry.

In all: 10 rounds; 372 stitches; 2 ends to weave in.

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