



Red, White & Blue Heart Tote

Materials

* Red Heart 4 ply yarns in Soft White, Navy, Cornmeal & Claret, H hook or hook to obtain gauge, and needle to take yarn.

GAUGE: 5 hdc = 1-1/2", 4 rows hdc = 1-1/2"

FINISHED SIZE: 13-1/2" across widest point, 7-1/2" center heart point to bottom point and 9-1/2" from bottom point to top of heart

PURSE:

ROW 1: With Claret and H hook ch-4, hdc 3rd ch from hook, hdc last ch, ch-1, turn. (2 sts)

ROW 2: 2 hdc ea st across, ch-1, turn. (4 sts)

ROW 3: 2 hdc 1st st, hdc across to last st, 2 hdc last st, ch-1, turn. (6 sts)

ROW 4: Rep row 3, join White, fasten off Claret. (8 sts)

ROW 5-8: Rep row 3. At the end of row 8 join Claret, fasten off White. (10 sts) (12 sts) (14 sts) (16 sts)

ROW 9-12: Rep row 3. At the end of row 12 join White, fasten off Claret. (18 sts) (20 sts) (22 sts) (24 sts)

ROW 13-16: Rep row 3. At the end of row 16 join Claret, fasten off White. (26 sts) (28

sts) (30 sts) (32 sts)

ROW 17-20: Rep row 3. At the end of row 20 join white, fasten off Claret. (34 sts) (36 sts) (38 sts) (40 sts)

ROW 21: 2 hdc 1st st, hdc next 19 sts, join Navy, drop White, hdc ea st across to last st, 2 hdc last st, ch-1, turn. (42 sts)

ROW 22: 2 hdc 1st st, hdc ea Navy st, pick up White, drop Navy, hdc ea st across to last st, 2 hdc last st, ch-1, turn. (44 sts)

ROW 23: 2 hdc 1st st, hdc ea White st, pick up Navy, drop White, hdc ea st to last st, 2 hdc last st, ch-1, turn. (46 sts)

ROW 24: Hdc ea Navy st to last 2 Navy sts, hdc dec next 2 sts, complete st with Navy, ch-1, drop Navy, pick up White, hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc ea st across, join Claret, ch-1, turn, fasten off White. (There will be 22 sts in ea section. From this point you are working the White, now Claret, section.)

ROW 25: Hdc ea st across, ch-1, turn. (22 sts)

ROW 26: Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc ea st across, ch-1, turn. (21 sts)

ROW 27: Rep row 26. (20 sts)

ROW 28: Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc across to last 2 sts, hdc dec last 2 sts, join White, ch-1, turn, fasten off Claret. (18 sts)

ROW 29: Rep row 26. (17 sts)

ROW 30: Hdc dec next 2 sts, hdc to last 2 sts, hdc dec last 2 sts, ch-1, turn. (15 sts)

ROW 31: Rep row 26. (14 sts)

ROW 32: Rep row 30, join Claret, fasten off White. (12 sts)

ROW 33-34: Rep row 30. End row 34 fasten off. (10 sts) (8 sts)

ROW 35: Go back to row 24 and pick up Navy yarn, hdc ea st across, ch-1, turn. (22

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sts)

ROW 36: Rep row 25.

ROW 37: Hdc ea st across to last 2 sts, hdc dec last 2 sts, ch-1, turn. (21 sts)

ROW 38: Rep row 37. (20 sts)

ROW 39: Rep row 30. (18 sts)

ROW 40: Rep row 37. (17 sts)

ROW 41: Rep row 30. (15 sts)

ROW 42: Rep row 37. (14 sts)

ROW 43-45: Rep row 30. End row 45 fasten off. (12 sts)(10 sts)(8 sts)

-Make 2.

STRAP AND SIDE GUSSET:

ROW 1: With Navy and H hook ch-7, hdc 3rd ch from hook, hdc ea ch across, ch-1, turn.
(5 sts)

ROW 2-141: Hdc ea st across, ch-1, turn. End row 141 fasten off.

Sew short ends tog to form a large lp. Beginning at the end row 34 of one heart, sew long edge of lp around edge of heart ending at end row 45. Rep with other heart.

CENTER OPENING GUSSETS:

ROW 1: With Navy and H hook ch-6, hdc 3rd ch from hook, hdc ea ch across, ch-1, turn.
(4 sts)

ROW 2-38: Hdc ea st across, ch-1, turn. End row 38 fasten off.

Make two. Sew long edge of one gusset to remaining free edge of one heart. Rep with other gusset and heart overlapping ends of gusset and sewing where it meets strap.

STAR:

With Cornmeal yarn and H hook ch-4, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-2 (does not count as a st) work 15 dc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-2, turn.
(15 sts)

ROW 2: Dc next 3 sts, leave remaining sts unworked, ch-2, turn. (3 sts)

ROW 3: Dc dec next 2 sts, dc last st, ch-2, turn. (2 sts)

ROW 4: Dc dec next 2 sts, ch-2, turn. (1 st)

ROW 5: Dc only st, fasten off.

NEXT POINT OF STAR (FINISHED SIZE: 5"):

ROW 1: With Cornmeal and H hook join in next free st rnd 1, ch-2, dc sa st as beg ch-2, dc next 2 sts, leave remaining sts unworked, ch-2, turn. (3 sts)

ROW 2: Dc dec next 2 sts, dc next st, ch-2, turn. (2 sts)

ROW 3: Dc dec next 2 sts, ch-2, turn. (1 st)

ROW 4: Dc only st, fasten off.

Rep next point until all five points of the star are made.

Make 2 stars and sew to the blue section on ea side of the tote.

Abbreviations

Ch = Chain	Beg = Beginning
St = Stitch	Rep = Repeat
Sl St = Slip Stitch	Dec = Decrease
Hdc = Half Double Crochet	Tog = Together
Dc = Double Crochet	Lp = Loop
Rnd = Round	Ea = Each