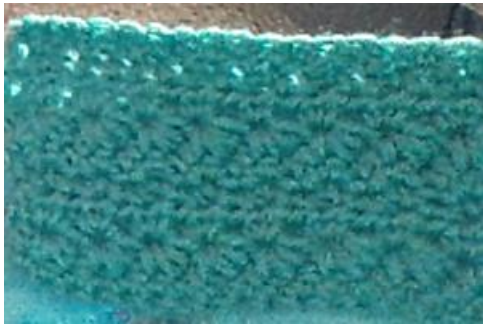
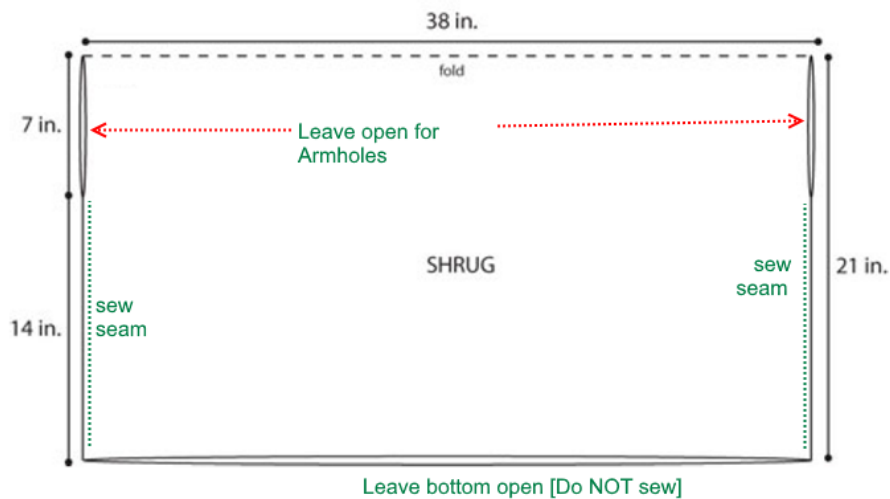


# Blanket Shrug – STAR STITCH



Size: 38" by 42" when flat rectangle [appx size] for medium size



1. Crochet a rectangle. Use any combination of stitches. Stretchable stitches will give a one size fits most all.

2. Fold the rectangle as designated.

3. Sew the edges together, but leave open for hands/arms.

4. If you want to: Crochet a lining around the arm openings.  
If you want to Crochet sleeves/cuffs.

5. If you want to: Crochet a lining around the neck and front line.

The diagram shows a dark green rectangle with a horizontal dashed line labeled "Fold here" and "height". The width is labeled "width". A smaller diagram shows the rectangle folded in half, with a horizontal dashed line labeled "Leave open" and "Folded edge". The height of the folded rectangle is labeled "3". A third diagram shows the shrug with a vertical seam labeled "5" and two side seams labeled "seam" and "4".

### Materials:

- Red Heart Fashion Soft 5oz skeins [6 skeins = 30oz]
- G 4.25 hook for body of item
- G 4.50 for initial chains
- 2 ½" buttons
- Tapestry needle for sewing side seams

### Gauge:

- 5sc equals 1 inch
- 2 stars equal 1 inch
- 2 rows of sc equal 1/2 inch

- Star height equals 1/2 inch
- Hdc height equals ¼ inch
- Check guage by chaining 21 chains appx.
  - Sc in 2<sup>nd</sup> ch and sc across. Turn.
  - Ch3, initial star, star stitch across. Hdc in last stitch [same as last stitch of star]. Turn.
  - Ch2, 2hdc in each star eye, hdc in last stitch [top of ch3]. Turn.
  - Ch1, \* FLO sc, BLO sc,\*. Repeat to end. Turn.
  - Ch1, \* FLO sc, BLO sc,\*. Repeat to end. Turn.

**NOTE: FLO MEANS FRONT LOOP ONLY AND BLO MEANS BACK LOOP ONLY.**

**Make sure side seams are straight and tension remains the same throughout the item.**

## **INSTRUCTIONS:**

Start by making a rectangle in pattern 38" Wide by 42" Long using sequence below.

Using G 4.50mm hook, chain 167.

Row 1: Using G 4.25 mm hook, sc in second chain from hook, sc across to end. [166 sc in this row.]

### **PATTERN:**

- Ch3, initial star, star stitch across. Hdc in last stitch [same as last stitch of star]. Turn. [82 stars made and 1 hdc]
- Ch2, 2hdc in each star eye, hdc in last stitch [top of ch3]. Turn. [165 hdc and ch2 made]
- Ch1, \* FLO sc, BLO sc,\* . Repeat to end. Turn. [166 sc made]
- Ch1, \* FLO sc, BLO sc,\* . Repeat to end. Turn. [166 sc made]

Repeat 4 rows of pattern [in yellow above] until piece measures 38" by 42".

When rectangle is completed, fold as in diagram above and sew seams as indicated, leaving bottom of folded piece unsewn and open.

### **FINISHING**

Fold piece in half to measure 38" wide and 21" long. Place markers on each of the 21 in. sides, 7 in. below fold for armholes. Seam sides from markers down to lower edge. Weave in ends.

### **SLEEVES TRIM: Do not turn.**

Join at underarm seam, ch1, sc around. Join.

Ch1, sc around, join.

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Note: If the sleeve trim does not look even on 1<sup>st</sup> row of sc above, decrease stitches on second row. Should have 65 sc around on last row.

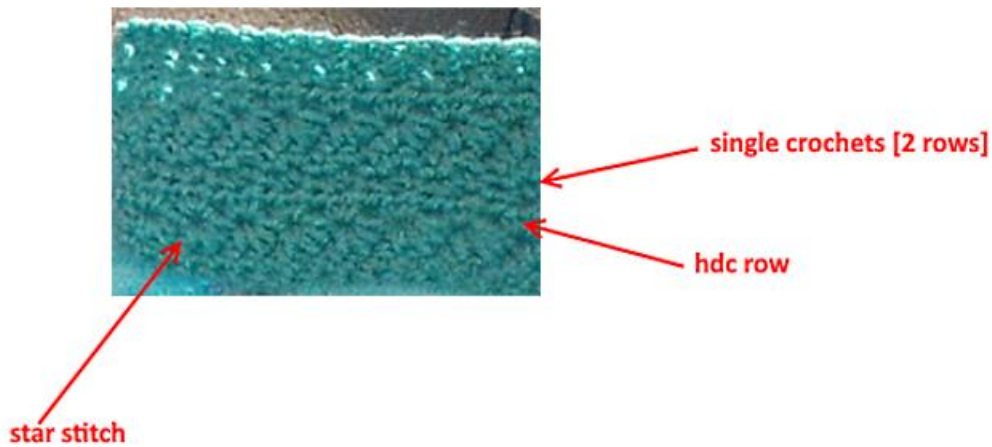
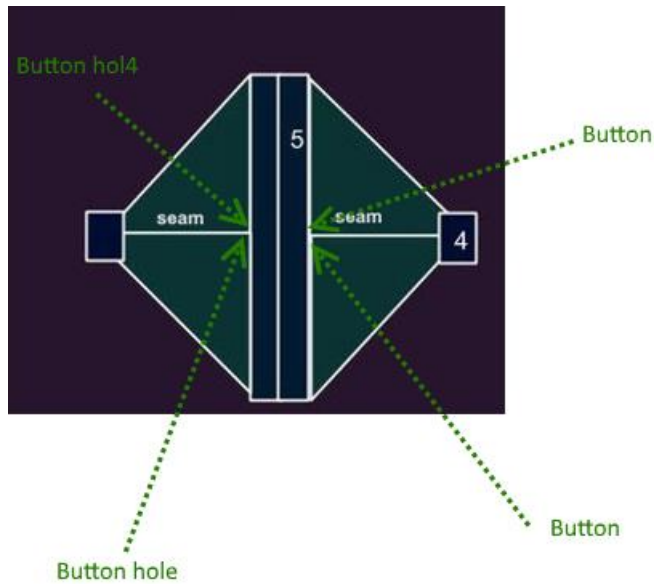
TRIM: Do not turn. [Can do a tie instead, if desired.]

Join yarn with G [4.5mm] hook anywhere. Sc around, join.

Ch1, sc around to button hole area. Put in 3 button holes with 3 sc in between and ch2 for button hole while skipping 1 sc. These button holes should be centered around seam on correct side. Buttons are optional so the button holes are optional too. Then finish sc around left stitches and join.

Last row: ch1, sc around with one sc in ch2 space for button hole. Join. Finish Off.

Button Hole FRONT: Mark button hold area [right side facing]. There will be two buttons



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## SPECIAL STITCHES



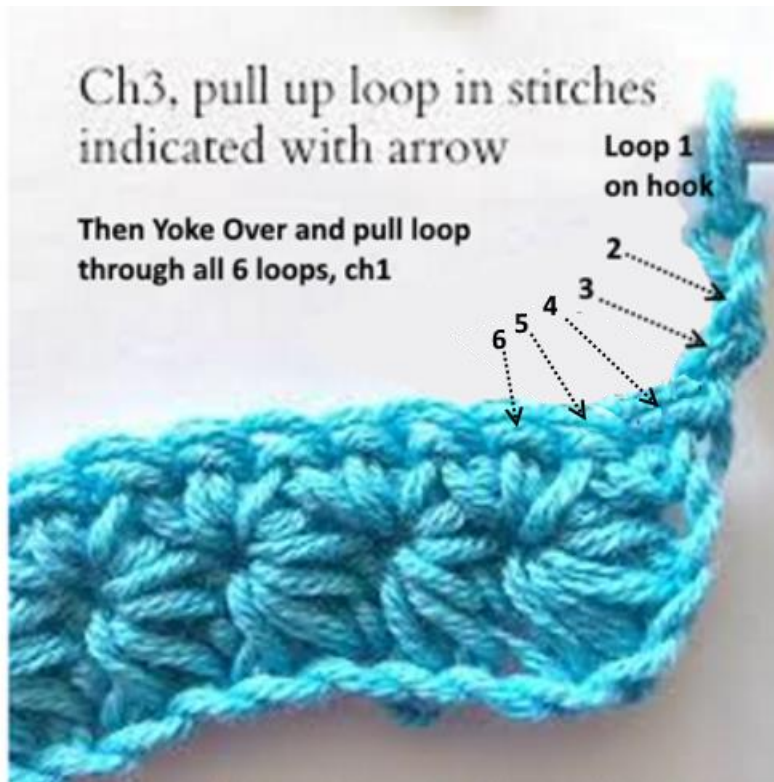
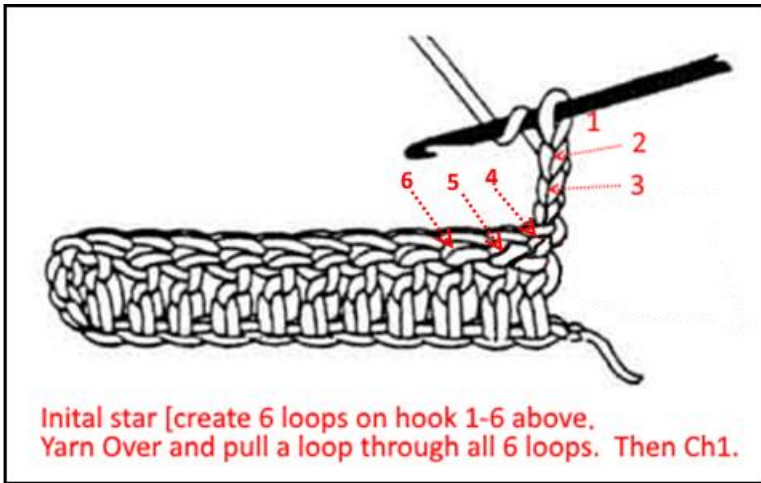
back/front sc picture is 2 rows of such

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## Initial FULL STAR STITCH

Draw up a loop in the first ch (the one right next to your hook) and the next 4 ch for a total of 6 loops on your hook. YO and draw through all loops on hook to create a star. Ch 1 to secure the star.

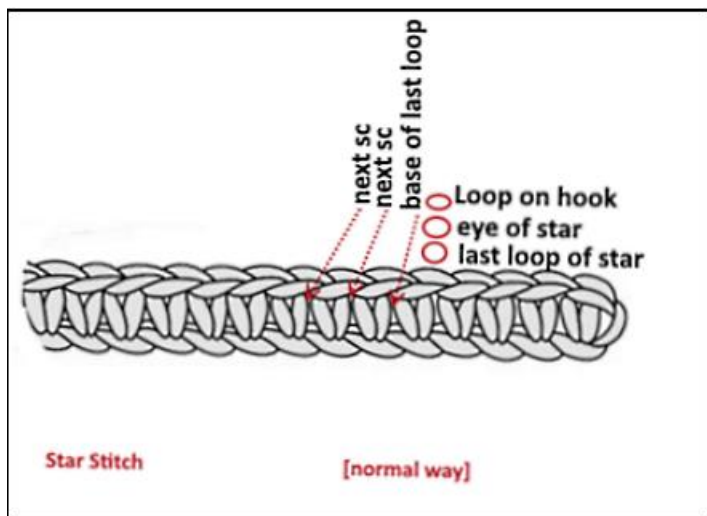


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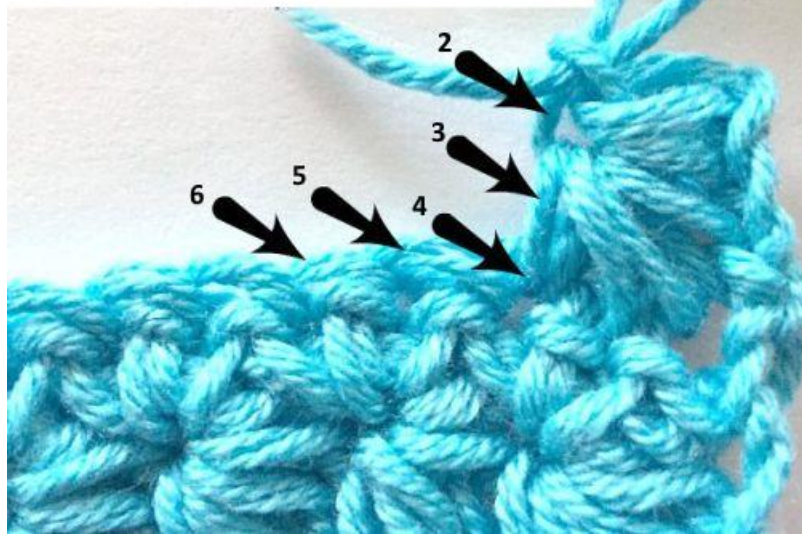


## **FULL STAR STITCH**

(Insert hook into the center of the star created by the ch-1 and draw up a loop. Draw up a loop by inserting your hook into the side of fifth loop you drew up in the previous star. Draw up a loop by inserting your hook into the same hdc you used to draw up the fifth loop on the previous star. Draw up loops in the next two hdc. This gives you a total of 6 loops on your hook. YO and draw through all loops, and secure the star with a ch-1.)



- Loop 1 is on hook
  - Loop 2 is in eye of previous star
  - Loop 3 is in last loop of previous star
  - Loop 4 is in base of last loop of previous star
  - Loop 5 is in next stitch [both loops]
  - Loop 6 is the next stitch [both loops]
- Yarn Over and pull loop through all 6 loops

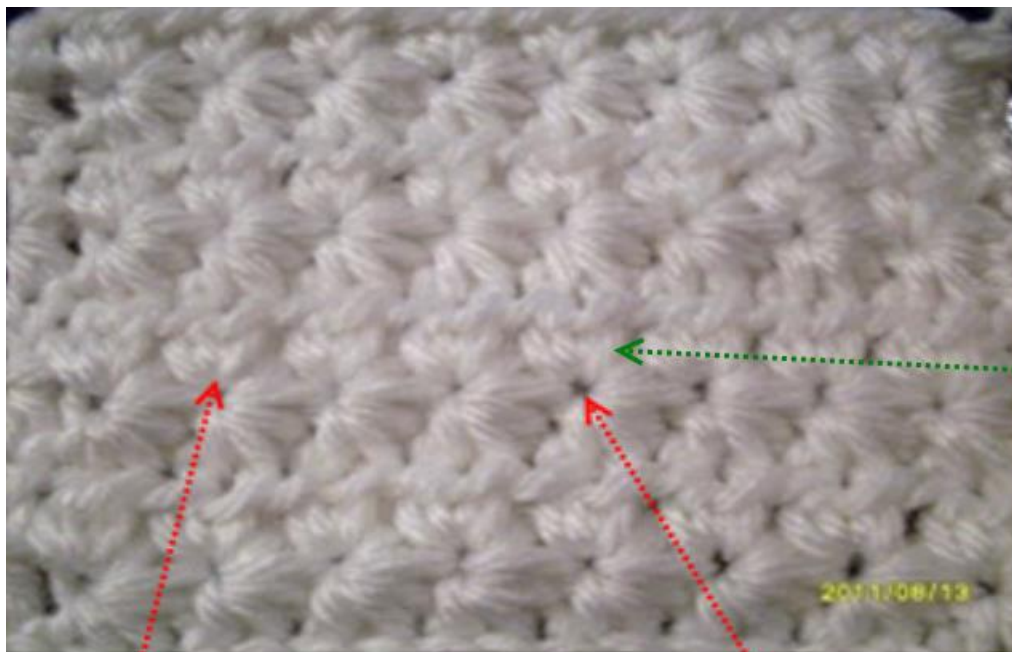


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*Note: Some crochet instructions use front loop of #3 above and some use back loop of #3 above. I use the front loop as it is easier to access.*

### Return row of FULL STAR STITCH

Ch2, make 2 hdc in the ch-1 spaces from the previous row. Do not hdc in the loop spaces that form the top of the star, only the ch-1 spaces. Make final hdc in the top ch from the previous row.



2 hdc in eye of star

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Eye of Star

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