

Vintage Touches Apron Edging



Materials

Cotton Apron: a purchased one, or make one yourself (see [Apron Tutorial](#))

Size 10 crochet cotton in a color to match apron (A) and a contrasting color (B); I used Red Heart Cotton Classic Crochet Thread (100% mercerized cotton, 300 yds [274 m] in #420 Cream and #493 Burgundy)

Size B (2.25 mm) crochet hook

Embroidery needle

2 stitch markers

Abbreviations & Special Stitches

ch: chain

picot-3: Ch 3, slip st in third ch from hook.

rep: repeat

RS: right side

sc: single crochet

st(s): stitch(es)

standing sc: Beginning with slip knot on hook, insert hook into stitch or space indicated, yarn over and pull up a loop, yarn over and pull through 2 loops.

WS: wrong side

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Prep Row: On a pre-shrunk apron, with embroidery needle and A, blanket stitch around three edges of apron. Place stitches evenly spaced around, approximately 1/3" apart and 3/8" deep. If possible, use the hem stitches of the apron or the fabric print to help space the blanket stitches evenly.

Blanket Stitch Tutorial

Secure A with a few stitches on WS and cut A.

Base Row (RS): Read instructions for this row all the way through before proceeding. With RS facing, crochet hook, and A, standing sc into top strand of first blanket stitch, then sc evenly across all three edges, placing 3-4 sc sts into each top strand of the blanket stitch, and a single corner sc at each of the two corners. Along the way, adjust the stitch count so that you have a multiple of 4 sts along each side edge, a multiple of 4 sts plus 3 on the bottom edge, plus the 2 corner sts. Do not turn.

TIP: If you find that getting the correct multiple on the base row is too difficult, don't fret. You can fudge a bit on the next row.

Fasten off A and place a marker in each corner st.

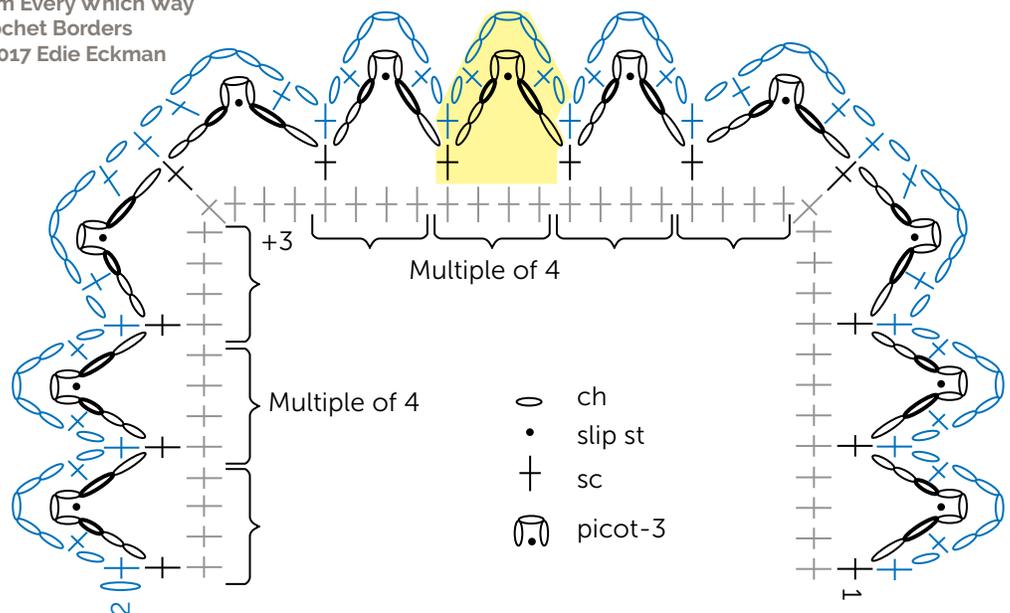
Row 1: With RS facing and B, standing sc in first sc, *ch 2, picot-3, ch 3, skip 3 sc, sc in next sc; rep from * to end. turn.

ABOUT FUDGING: If your stitch multiples were correct, you'll work a single crochet on each marked corner stitch. If they weren't correct, you'll have to skip a stitch or two as you approach the corner, so you can work a single crochet right on the marked corner st.

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in first sc, *ch 1, skip 2 ch, sc in next ch, ch 5, skip picot-3, sc in next ch, ch 1, sc in next sc; rep from * to end. Fasten off.

Weave in ends.

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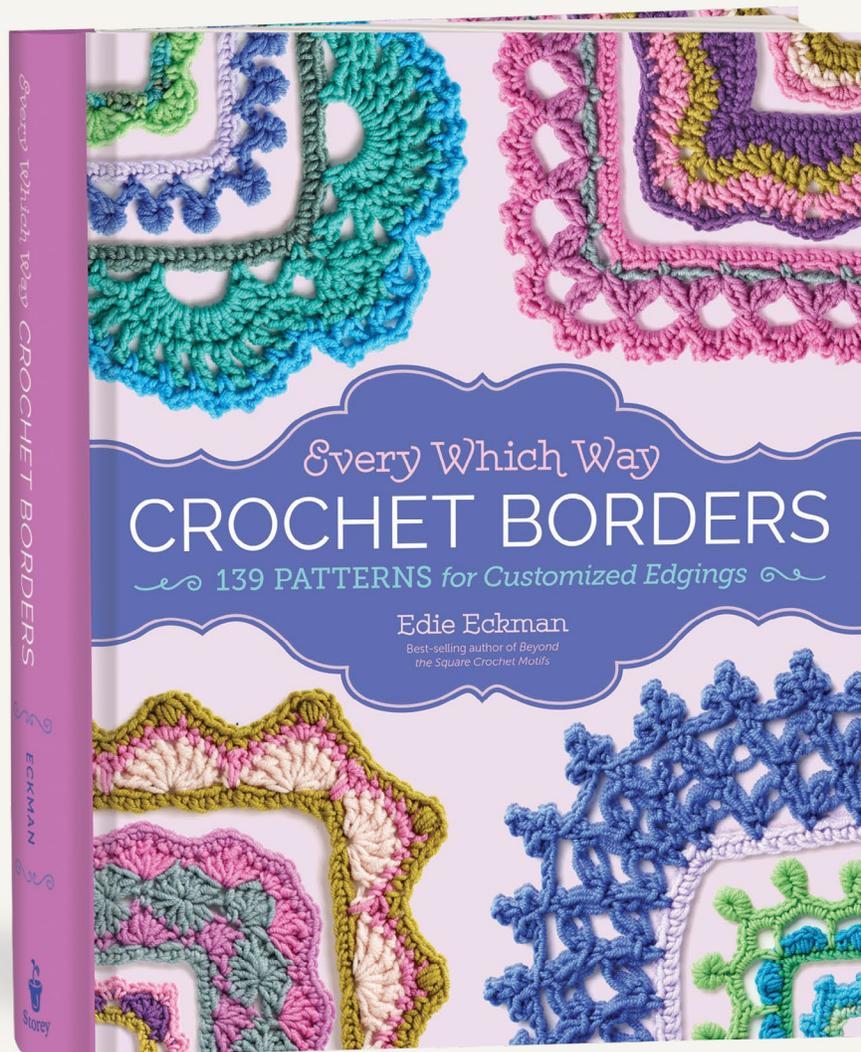


On Row 2, work sc sts into the chain indicated, NOT into the ch-space.



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