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## Star Stitch Border Edging (Crochet)

with YouTube Help Video

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The crochet star stitch border edging is easy to make and looks nice on blankets, scarves, shawls, and other handmade items. Check out the how-to video on the Naztazia Facebook page here: <u>https://facebook.com/naztazia</u> or the Naztazia YouTube channel here: <u>https://youtube.com/naztazia</u> And feel free to Pin photos or check out other info at: <u>https://naztazia.com</u>

Terminology:		
CH = Chain	HDC = Half Double Crochet	RPT = Repeat
SC = Single Crochet	SLST = Slip Stitch	SP = Space
ST = Stitch	YO = Yarn Over	

## Instructions:

This pattern is for a border that goes around an entire item (working in RNDs) as well as just along one edge (working in ROWs). This requires an odd number of existing stitches. Place **1R** (ROW or RND) of a SC border first. If working in RNDs, 3 SC in each corner.

**R2:** Place a slipknot on hook and SLST to the first corner. CH 3. Draw up 1 loop in the second and third CH. Draw up 1 loop at the base ST of the CH. Draw up 1 loop in the next 2 STs. YO and draw through all 6 loops on the hook. CH 1. For each subsequent star: Draw up a loop from the CH-1, the side of the last ST, the base of the last ST, and the next 2 STs. YO and draw through all 6 loops on the hook. Continue until the end of the side.

If working on one side (ROW), CH 1, and turn. Proceed to R3. If working along the entire work (RND), continue with CORNER: **CORNER:** As you approach a corner, it's suggested to make 2 or 3 modified stars in each corner. The modification eliminates drawing up a loop from another ST on the bottom, allowing more stars to fill out the corner. You can make 2 or 3 stars. 2 stars create a rounded corner while 3 stars create a more pointed corner. For this modified star, draw up a loop from the CH-1, the side of the last ST, the base of the last ST, YO and draw up a loop from just the next ST. YO and draw through all 6 loops on the hook. (The YO creates the extra needed loop).

Once the corner has been completed, continue with the same pattern as R2. Once all 4 sides and 4 corners have been completed, SLST to the top of the first star. SLST to the center of the first star. CH 1 (not counted as a ST). Proceed to R3.

**R3:** In the center of the star, make 2 HDC in it. Continue making 2 HDC in the center of each star across.

If working on one side (ROW), SLST to the edge to complete. Proceed to R4. If working along the entire work (RND), proceed to CORNER-R3.

**CORNER R3:** Find the star that is located as close to the corner as possible. Instead of 2 HDC in the center, make 5 HDC in it. Once completed, proceed working along each side with 2 HDC in each center. Make 5 HDC in the remaining corners. Once completed, proceed to R4.

**R4:** Place an optional SC border in each HDC from R3. Fasten off and weave in all ends.



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