

Break of Dawn

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SKILL LEVEL

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FINISHED SIZE

32 x 52 inches

MATERIALS

- Medium (worsted) weight yarn:
 - 16 oz/800 yds/453.6g white
 - 8 oz/400 yds/226.8g royal
 - 4 oz/200 yds/113.4g black
 - 4 oz/200 yds/113.4g red
- Size H/8/5mm afghan crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Sizes B/1/2.25mm and F/5/3.75mm crochet hooks
- 26 (18mm) star flake crystal beads (optional)
- Tapestry needle

GAUGE

With afghan hook, 5 afghan sts = 1 inch; 5 rows afghan st = 1½ inches
Check gauge to save time.

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join rnds with a sl st unless otherwise stated.

Hook size B is used for optional crocheted white stars.

Suggestion: Instead of use as an afghan, adopt as a wall hanging.

Do not carry yarn colors across back of afghan; use separate ball of yarn for each color change.

AFGHAN STITCH

Row 1: Ch indicated number in pattern, insert hook in 2nd ch from hook, yo, draw up a lp, [insert hook in next ch, yo, draw up a lp] rep across, leaving all lps on hook, do not turn; to work lps off hook, yo, draw through 1 lp on hook, [yo, draw through 2 lps on hook] rep across, leaving 1 lp on hook at end of row.

Row 2: Sk first vertical bar, [insert hook under next vertical bar, yo, draw up a lp] rep across retaining all lps on hook to last st, for last st, insert hook under last bar and st directly behind it, yo, draw up a lp, to work

lps off hook, yo, draw through 1 lp on hook, [yo, draw through 2 lps on hook] rep across, leaving 1 lp on hook at end of row.

Rep Row 2 for pattern.

AFGHAN

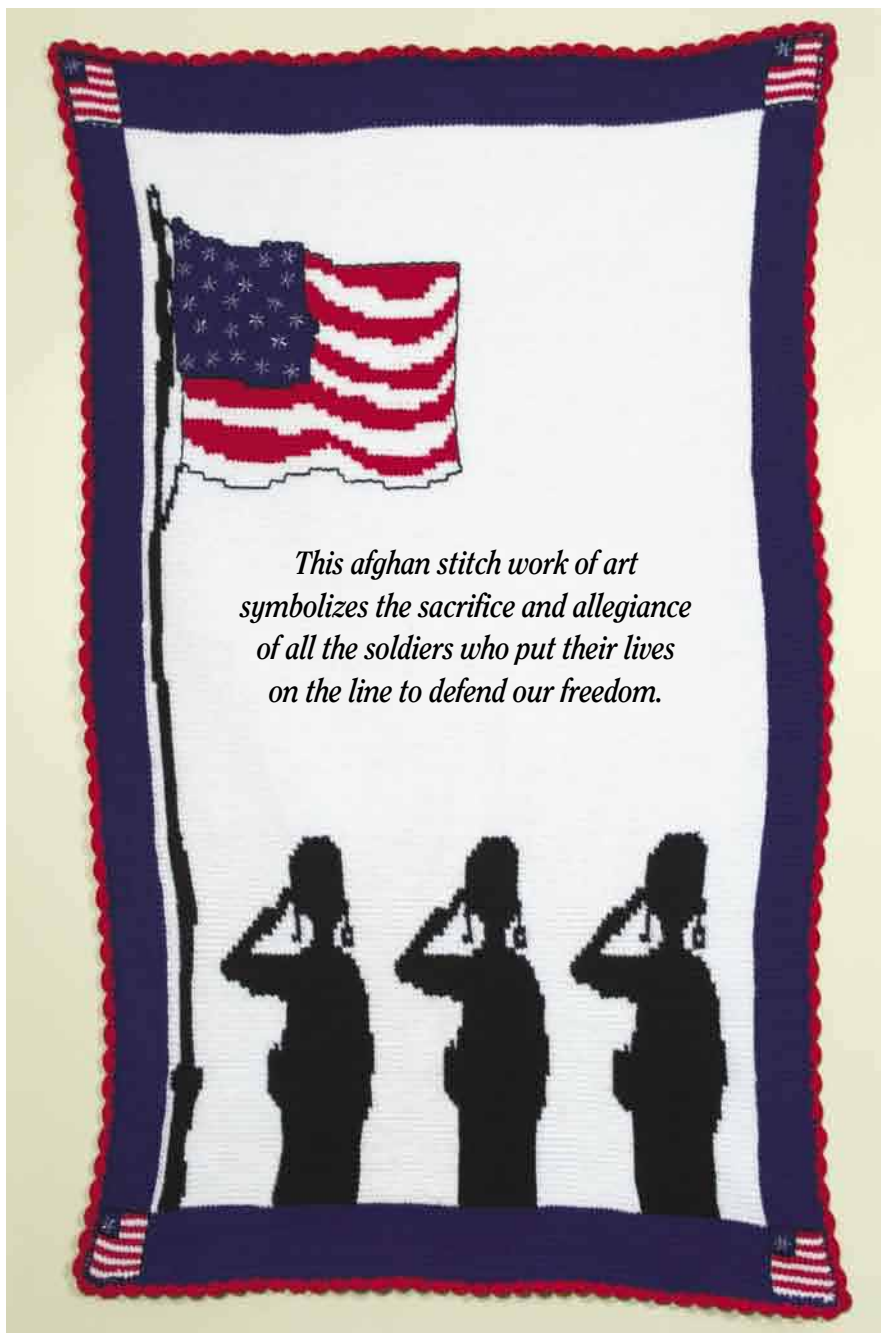
Row 1: With afghan hook and royal, ch 144, drop royal to WS, pick up white, ch 1 (145 chs), working in pattern of Row 1 of afghan st, first white ch counts as first st, with white, draw up a lp in next 10 chs (11 white), drop white, with royal, draw up a lp in each of next 123 chs, drop royal, with white, draw up a lp in each of next 11 chs (145 lps

on hook), using same color for each st, work off lps.

Row 2: Draw a lp of red through rem st on hook for first st, draw up a lp of red in each of next 10 sts (11 red sts), drop red, with royal, draw up a lp in each of next 123 sts, drop royal, with red, draw up a lp in each of next 11 sts (145 lps on hook), using same color for each st across, work off lps.

Rows 3–180: Following graph, changing colors as indicated, work in afghan st pattern Row 2. At the end of Row 180, fasten off all yarns except royal.

Note: The white spots on the blue por-



tion of the flag are only suggested areas to place crystal beads. Work complete blue section of flag with royal yarn.

Row 181: [Insert hook under next vertical bar, yo, draw up a lp and draw through st on hook] rep across, fasten off.

BORDER

Rnd 1: With hook size F, attach royal in any st on outer edge, ch 1, sc evenly sp around outer edge of afghan, join in beg sc, fasten off.

Rnd 2: Attach red in corner, ch 1, sc in corner st, sk next st, 5 dc in next st, sk next st, [sc in next st, sk next st, 5 dc in next st, sk next st] rep

around outer edge, adjusting sts as needed to work a sc in each corner of afghan, join in beg sc, fasten off.

BEADWORK

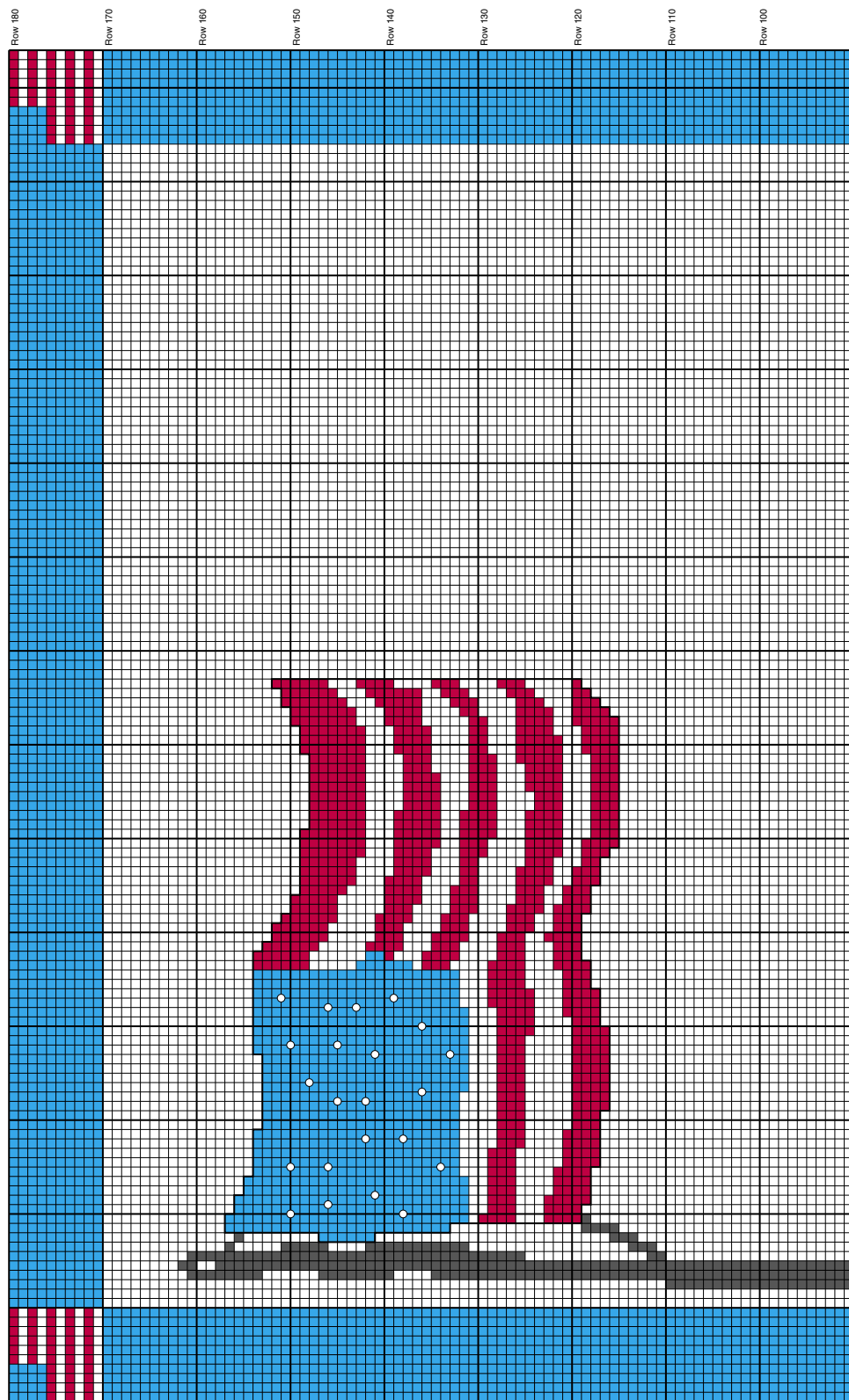
With length of royal yarn, sew 1 bead to the center of each royal section of each corner flag. Sew beads as desired

over blue section of flag.

STAR

Note: The crocheted stars (instead of the beads) are optional. Sew a star in each center of corner flags and as many as desired over the royal portion.

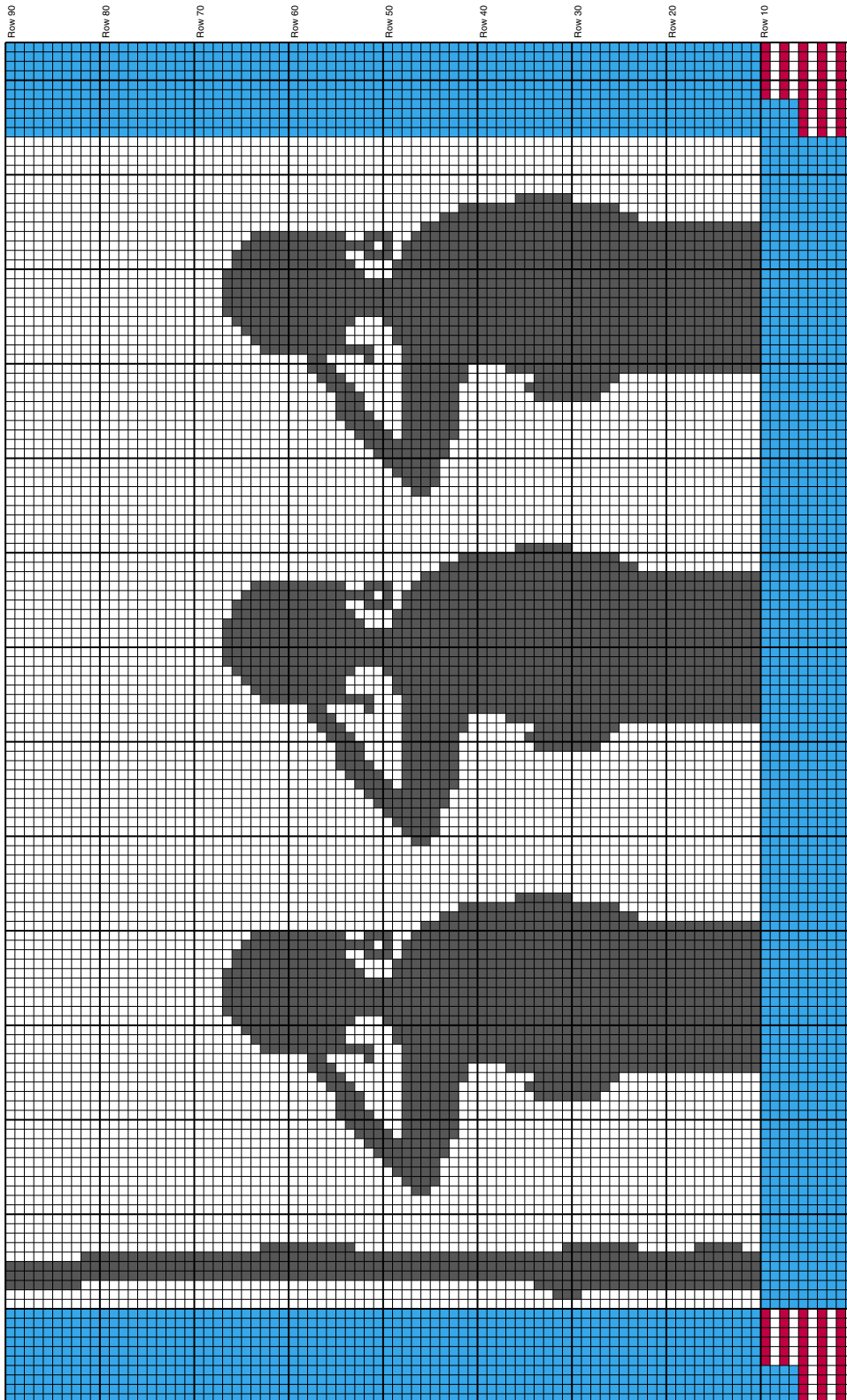
Rnd 1: Separate a length of white



Break of Dawn Chart
Top

yarn into 2 plies. With 2 plies of white yarn and hook size B, leaving a 3-inch length at beg, ch 2, sc in 2nd ch from hook, *ch 4, sl st in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next ch, hdc in next ch **, sc in original 2nd ch from hook, rep from *

4 times, ending last rep at **, join in beg sc, leaving a length of yarn, fasten off. Draw rem beg length tightly to close center opening, knot to secure and fasten off. Use rem ending length to sew star to afghan. ✂



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