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**FREE  
CHRISTMAS  
BLANKETS**

*Holiday  
Collection*





## INTRODUCTION

Christmas can be one of the most stressful occasions of all. I remember as a kid circling the mall trying to find gifts for my parents. ***What do you get someone that pretty much seems to be happy with everything they already have?*** I hear the Christmas music over the speakers. I'm lost and let's face it, it's not a fun festive feeling as there is an expectation that we will let down people.

Christmas to me is more about relationships than anything. It's the people we surround ourselves with. One year, we did a Team Christmas vacation together. As an adult, it was one of the most magical moments to behold.

Just our friends was all that was needed. We were made our entire vacation about Christmas, though we were a bit early. Diann even brought a light up Christmas Tree with her! Who brings a Christmas tree to a cruise ship? Diann does!

Crochet brought all of these relationships together but it's the laughter and story telling between each other that keeps us connected.

The art of making items gives us the instant ice breaker when there's not much to say. On the vacation, we were tucked away hooking out projects just because we love crochet so much.

I would prefer a handmade gift over anything else. The person took the time to make the item with me in mind. The trick is for that person to know me well enough to know my preferred colours and decor sense in my home.

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## HOLIDAY COLLECTION

***The Christmas season means something different for everyone. I feel it's personal on how we partake in this occasion. Some of us go all out with decor, while others are minimal in their approach. I enjoy making projects where I can bring it out from the past and have fond memories. Yes, I tend to forget I make things until it comes back out. It makes me smile.***

# HOLIDAY PREFERENCES

There are many different themes of Christmas when you glance in the stores. Everything from sugar plum faires, hockey, Disney, traditional, glitter extreme and modern to name a few. In my lifetime, I have seen Christmas transform into so many themes. Some of it really nice but some of it, at least to me, is outright gawdy. You know what I am talking about.

Like yarn, we all have our preferences on what we like versus others that don't suit our personal taste. While some people will completely transform their decor, others like me, will just add accessories to give it the Christmas feel to our home.



Somewhere along the line, I got turned off of the conventional Christmas colours of red and white.

Originally, red and green together were the colours of Christmas but in 1931, the Coca-Cola Company did a rendering of Santa wearing red and white. The red in the outfit matched exactly the logo colour of Coco-Cola. Adding the green for the fonts. His outfit was white fur trim with the perfectly matching white beard. His boots, still traditional brown.

Originally named as St. Nicholas and then transformed early on in the USA to Kris Kringle. Both names together would become Sinterklaas and then later on would become what we know it today here in North America as Santa Claus.

I refer to this colouring, the **Coco-Cola Christmas**. It's the image of a drawing that would shape the Christmas colours of the future.

The **St. Nicholas colours of Christmas** is what I prefer as it's classic and dates back much fur-

ther. I feel like it's honouring the tradition of the original St. Nicholas.

One of the biggest reasons why I prefer the Victorian approach of decor colours is that I can leave up the decorations longer. I'm almost more likely to leave out projects well after Christmas has past because it matches my decor and represents the season more than a specific calendar date.



I like the deep burgandies, browns, muted blues, near blacks and neutrals. Like the brown fur of St Nicholas' outfit to the more well-used. Not so crisp and bright. This colour palette lends itself so well to wooden decorations, plaid, golden shimmerers and candles.

The **Toy Box Christmas** is my second most favourite theme of Christmas. I discovered this by accident one year.

I did a tutorial for the [Jingle Bells Door Hanger](#) and really thought the blue was unexpected. I used a lighter blue, very much like the front cover of this eBook. I was hooked.



Whatever theme is your favourite, crochet your projects to meet your wishes. Life is short, enjoy the ride. However you choose to observe this occasion, let's support each other.

# 1

## PEPPERMINT THROW

*I remember when I saw this for the first time before it went out to the public. I flipped out as I had this original sample in my house and was so excited. I was asked to teach this design and it was so visually interesting. Designed by Bendy Carter.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 47" wide x 55" long. Designed with **Red Heart® Soft™**.

**Level:** Experienced but there is a tutorial to help people along the way. There are ways to improvise the design instead of having multiples of motifs.

This project has interlocking stitch crochet which is breaking up the colors. I have seen this afghan done in greens and assorted other colours too. This is the Coco-Cola Christmas theme.

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# 2

## POINSETTIA THROW

*This throw uses the idea of really traditional motifs with a combination of solid stripes. All of the poinsettia and white arrow-like design, with exception to the motifs are cross stitched into the afghan. Designed by Michele Thompson.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 50" wide x 60" long. Designed with **Red Heart® Super Saver™**.

**Level:** It's classified as easy level as the cross stitch is just following the provided chart. Make no mistake, this does take time to do. It's definitely

something worthy of a ribbon, preferably blue if you were to submit this for the county fair. This is conventional Christmas theme colours.

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## CHRISTMAS MORNING

*This is a stitch sampler blanket that really can lend itself to pretty much any colour combination. For my tutorial, switched the white for grey and used pink and purples for the granite stitch. It was so nice. Designed by Marianne Forrestal.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 45" wide x 55" long. Designed with **Red Heart® Super Saver™**.

**Level:** This is an easy level project and also a project where you can learn new stitch combinations. I provided some extra crochet diagrams

with this one to show you how it looks. This matches my Toy Box Christmas concept that I talked about earlier.

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## WINTER BLIZZARD

*From the centre of the snowflake outward. Using Jacob's Ladder concept as the colours transition from the white to the dark blues. Then finished with random crochet spiked stitches to be like iceicles. This was a collabouration design with Mikey and Diva Dan.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 55" wide x 60" long. Designed with **Bernat® Super Value™**.

**Level:** This is an intermediate level and was designed with the snowflake being the focal point. We have seen this afghan done up in red and pur-

ples. Some chose to leave off the iceicles which makes this look completely different.

This is just a winter theme concept.

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## SNOW WINDOW

*The Winter Blizzard is the prototype to this design. Taking the snowflake motif and transforming it to square. Again using Jacob's Ladder and using variegated to soften it up. This was designed by Michael Sellick.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 65" wide x 65" long. Designed with **Bernat® Blanket™**.

**Level:** This is an intermediate level project. Using only 9 square motifs, this was crocheted over a weekend. It's generous in sizing and can lend itself to many different colour ways.

This is just a winter theme concept with a touch of texture. It's heavy as well, so it would be a good weighted blanket.

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## JOYOUS THROW

*This blanket is deceptive as the variegated throws off the eye. In fact, the actual pattern is incredible an easy to do. With textured ribbing, for the holidays or any time of year, this is a winner. This was designed by Marianne Forrestal.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 44" wide x 56" long. Designed with **Red Heart® Super Saver™**.

**Level:** This is definitely and easy level project and can be very playful with the colouring. It does have textured with front post triple trebles. Easy

to maintain the pattern without much reference back to the pattern too. This colouring matches the conventional Christmas theme. I did my swatch in Toy Box and it even better.

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## CHRISTMAS WREATH

*The Wreath is made up of motifs that give the illusion of the wreaths shown. It requires sewing but it really does give a beautiful look over all.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 67" wide x 61" long. Designed with **Red Heart® Super Saver™**.

**Level:** This is made up of different types of granny motifs. Some motifs full colour while others are half and half. How you sew it together makes

this throw. It's generous in size too.

This is just a conventional Christmas theme.

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## HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

*Daniel suggested to Mikey that he create a three dimensional wreath afghan. I looked at the front door of our home as I associate wreaths to the from door. I figured out how to do the crocodile stitch as an overlay for this beauty.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 58" wide x 58" long. Designed with **Caron@ Simply Soft™**.

**Level:** Due to the crocodile stitch overlay, it becomes an intermediate pattern. However, once you view the tutorial, I think it could scale back to easy level.

Yarnspirations suggested I use Caron Simply Soft for a better look and drape. They were right.

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## WOODLAND AFGHAN

*Originally designed by Mikey when Red Heart joined Yarnspirations. Our first ever project for Red Heart was the Octagon and Squares blanket. This was a tribute to the beginning by looking back. I looked into the backyard of our home and these are the colours I saw.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 54" wide x 68" long. Designed with **Red Heart® Super Saver™**.

**Level:** Easy level with visual breaks of spaces in the octagons. A bit of texture at the centre points of the motifs. This design lends itself to colour in-

terpretation to make it your own style.

I enjoyed designing this one and giving it out to you as a free pattern.

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## REINDEER CHRISTMAS

*Designed by Sarah from Repeat Crafter Me. These rectangular shaped motifs puzzle together. You have Rudolf in the middle surrounded by 8 reindeer. It's also backed with a fleece lining as an option too. It's very cheerful.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 33" wide x 36" long. Designed with **Bernat® Super Value™**.

**Level:** It's considered an easy level. There is also crochet diagrams used in the pattern to assist with the rounds used in the granny squares. There are

safety eyes used in the reindeer faces in this creative Christmas kid-size throw.

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## RETRO ORNAMENT

*Designed by Jessie Rayot. Jessie has impeccable colour tastes in her projects. This afghan is modern with a nod back to the past in the shape of traditional ornaments. It's a show-stopping example of creativity.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 45" wide x 55" long. Designed with **Red Heart® Super Saver™**.

**Level:** Intermediate for sure. This pattern when using oval shaping requires extra attention to the counting and attaching process.

Jessie has laid out this pattern beautifully in the instructions. Give it a go to create a festive afghan to use year after year.

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## DUSTY SNOWFLAKE

*Designed by Tammy Hildebrand. A clever approach to the overlays for this wonderful example of a snowy evening. From the small motifs and variegated yarn being used. It's a favourite by many crocheters as a winter-based throw.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 45" wide x 52.5" long. Designed with **Red Heart® Super Saver™**.

**Level:** Considered an easy level with the attaching of the motifs to be done at the end. Work like an assembly line with this project and boost yourself

forward by working on each motif at the same area so you don't have to review the pattern as much.

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## BOHO ORNAMENT

*Designed by Mikey and inspired by the Victorian Ornaments Afghan. With 3D texture applied and use of bobbles and moss stitching. It's random in many ways but strategic in other ways. It's a great scrapghan project.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 66" wide x 55" long. Designed with **Caron® One Pound™**.

**Level:** An intermediate level pattern. This is a big pattern and was used in a stitch along. The pattern is a mini booklet unto itself. The usage of the colours can be matched to your own

theme for the festive season. Depending on colours, you could have this for year round decor too.

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## VICTORIAN

*Designed by Kate Steinke. It's a tribute to Victorian Ornament Decorations on a tree. The colour possibilities are endless. If you look closely, you see small motifs between the joins of the large motifs. The idea of this afghan inspired Mikey to think about shaping and texture.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 50" wide x 74" long. Designed with **Caron@Simply Soft™**.

**Level:** Considered an Intermediate Level but I have attempted this pattern and consider this to be advanced level. It really does require extra attention to the counting and it's a la-

bour of love.

The colours are subjective to your personal tastes to change out as well.

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## FESTIVE THROW

*Designed by Katherine Eng. A wonderfully thought out granny square design that has a bit of texture at the centres. It puzzles together without sewing and the border was super easy. The yarn used is discontinued... just substitute.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 47" wide x 55" long. Designed with **Red Heart® Celebration™**.

**Level:** Intermediate level and I learned some new techniques with this fine example of unleashed creativity. I would dare to say this is easy level

but the joining can be a challenge for those just starting out. I enjoyed making a test swatch of this one.

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# 16 PEPPERMINT PINWHEEL

*Designed by Mikey using tapestry techniques. The spiral naturally happens when working in the round. Incredible examples of creativity have been showcased. Using Caron Cakes with this has proven to be show stopping results.*



## Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 48" diameter. Designed with **Caron® One Pound™**.

**Level:** The tapestry techniques used here boost this to an intermediate level project. It was designed to keep this pattern to strictly 2 balls of yarn. The colour changing is strategic for

an easy repeat on this throw size.

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# 17

## CHRISTMAS PLAID

*Designed by Marly Bird. Traditional in colouring and completely immersed in festive feelings. Using woven techniques to produce this wonderful cheerful large blanket. The instructions are easy to follow.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 57" wide x 75.5" long. Designed with **Red Heart® Super Saver™**.

**Level:** Definitely and easy level with straight forward instructions on producing the horizontal rows. At the end of the project, you will then weave in

the colours for the cross-overs that produce the plaid look.

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## HOLIDAY STRIPES

*Designed by Katherine Eng. The stripes are neat but the border on this one is absolutely stunning. Using a multiple of colours for the border really showcases how stunning the border can be. I was really shocked on how nice the border defined this blanket.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 42" wide x 57" long. Designed with **Red Heart® Classic™**.

**Level:** The striping is a bit more than you would imagine but still remains an easy level pattern to follow. The striping layout gives the look a some-

what unpredictable pattern.

The border on this blanket is one of the best I have ever seen in crochet.

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## HAPPY HOLIDAYS

*An old by timeless traditional Christmas Blanket. The blanket is sewn in a way where it keeps the squares in a diamond formation. You can, of course, sew them to be sitting with each other like a regular granny blanket.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 47" wide x 65" long. Designed with **Bernat® Happy Holidays™**.

**Level:** An easy level granny square that has a round middle that transitions to a square near the end of the motif.

This can encourage you to be creative on how you sew the motifs together.

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# 20

## HOLIDAY THROW

*Designed by Marianne Forrestal. This is like a traditional large granny square blanket with a bit of front post work that is strategic. Look carefully and you will see it on the front. You can pretty much change the colours to suit your lifestyle.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 47" wide x 47" long. Designed with **Red Heart® Holiday™**.

**Level:** An easy level granny square that has some textured stitches added to this blanket. Look at your your home and see what colours would go

best with your decor. The possibilities of the colour array are limitless.

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# 21

## RIPPLES OF JOY

*Another fine example of cheerful colouring designed by Jessie Rayot. A unique chevron blanket with strategic colour alignment. This blanket has a bit of texture applied which appeals to many crocheters.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 45" wide x 56" long. Designed with **Red Heart® With Love™**.

**Level:** An easy level project that will get you excited about the colouring choices you will make. Choose your colours and assign the letters to

them. Let this play out on your hook and see it come to life.

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## PLAID O'TAD BLANKET

*With Bernat Blanket, this blanket can be a very quick festive blanket to add to your decor. The plaid look is a cross over in one area that gives the illusion of a Christmas Present. It's pretty awesome.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 52" wide x 52" long. Designed with **Bernat@Blanket™**.

**Level:** Definitely an easy pattern to follow. Following the colouring and create the horizontal stripes. There are spaces between each stitch that are leaving room for the few woven

strands that will pass through the stitches in the vertical direction.

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# 23

## HOLIDAY BALLS

*Designed by Ann Regis. This is a strategic granny square that resembles a ball in the middle of the square. The motifs are joined as you go, so no sewing! The border is pretty neat too!*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 58" wide x 58" long. Designed with **Red Heart® Super Soft™**.

**Level:** The join as you go technique boosts this to an intermediate level project. I think this could be coloured very differently for year round blan-

kets or even something unique to match your decor better.

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# 24

## C2C SNOWFLAKE

Designed by Marly Bird. This is a corner to corner, affectionally known as C2C. She has provided the diagram in the pattern to follow and this requires some patience to follow. Grab your highlighters and watch this blanket grow.



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 50" wide x 43" long. Designed with **Red Heart® Super Saver™**.

It's a beautiful example that can be enjoyed year after year.

**Level:** Standard C2C but with colour changing that will require lots of yarn tails to be woven in.

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## HIBERNATE BLANKET

*A proven winner is this moss stitch blanket using grays. Christmas can be exhausting to entertain and some people, like me, just want a life break. This is a blanket to climb under and grab my cell phone and surf the internet while the TV is playing in the background.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 52" wide x 60" long. cooler months.  
Designed with **Bernat® Blanket™**.

**Level:** An easy level, nearly beginner level blanket that allows grey to be the mentally relaxing tones to bring calm to your life. It will be a somewhat weighted blanket and enjoyable in the

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## CABIN HIBERNATE

*The sister of the original Hibernat Blanket is the Cabin Hibernat that is coloured uniquely for the warm browns and plaid looks you may be enjoying for the colder months of the year.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 52" wide x 60" long. Designed with **Bernat® Blanket™**.

**Level:** An easy level, nearly beginner level blanket that allows grey to be the mentally relaxing tones to bring calm to your life. It will be a somewhat weighted blanket and enjoyable in the

cooler months. This is the same pattern as the Hibernat but coloured differently.

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## LUMBERJACK

*The Lumberjack Blanket is strategically coloured for the look of warm work socks. A gender neutral colour palette that could be a conversational piece. This was designed by Erin Black and for the Canada 150th Birthday Celebrations.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 48" wide x 63" long. Designed with **Bernat® Softee® Chunky™**.

**Level:** Beautiful textured stitches with large hook allows this to grow really quickly. It's an easy level project that will leave you feeling proud of your-

self when you are done.

Great gift idea.

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## TRIMMINGS

*Designed by Jeanne Steinhilber. This pattern resembles the look of added trimmings to a fireplace mantle. A unique looking afghan to add to your holiday decor.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 55" wide x 65" long. Designed with **Red Heart® With Love™**.

**Level:** Most likely an intermediate level. it resembles the trim around the holiday decor of a room or fireplace. Jeanne was super excited about this

pattern and it worked out lovely.

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## HOLIDAY CABLES

*Designed by Bonnie Barker, this unique stitch sampler featuring the wonderful Celtic Stitch is terrific. Combined with the free tutorial, this is one of those really special blankets you can keep or give away as a gift.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 45" wide x 66" long. Designed with **Red Heart® With Love™**.

**Level:** Definitely intermediate level with some great examples of stitches to learn. The pattern is well written and with Bonnie's tutorials, you can

follow along with how she crocheted this unique holiday cables throw.

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## HAPPY HOLIDAY

*A real treat and true stitch sampler by Marianne Forrestal. Marianne has done many version of Christmas/Holiday themed afghans. This one is being work as a stitch along with us and I am truly loving how it's turning out.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 50" wide x 60" long. a fabulous stash buster.  
Designed with **Red Heart® Super Saver™**.

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**Level:** An intermediate level with 5 separate distinct sections for learning such as the ripple, cluster stitch, lark-foot, bobble stripes and chevron. It's

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## HOLLY JOLLY MOSAIC

*A mosaic concept that appears like Christmas wrapping paper. Easy repeating design that makes for a lovely blanket you can pull out each festive season.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 50" wide x 59" long. Designed with **Red Heart® Super Saver™**.

**Level:** An intermediate level with interlocking aka mosaic stitching concepts. Beautiful to finish and fabulous for gift giving.

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## CHARACTERS

*Designed by Sarah from Repeat Crafter Me. Initially, this was a Stitch Along for Christmas but the full pattern is now available.*



### Project Details & Clickable Link to Free Pattern

This afghan is 35" wide x 40" long. ably cute.  
Designed with **Bernat® Super Value™**.

**Level:** An easy-level skill that is intended to warm hearts and smiles for children. Sarah has a terrific ability to make the simplest of things so ado-

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