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RED HEART

CROCHET SKILL LEVEL
INTERMEDIATE

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What you will need:

RED HEART® Super Saver®:
2 skeins 311 White **A**, 1 skein each 319 Cherry Red **B** and 385 Royal **C**

Susan Bates® Crochet Hook:
5mm [US H-8] and 6.5mm [US K-10½]

18″ [46 cm] pillow form, stitch markers, yarn needle

GAUGE: 17 sts = 4″ [10 cm]; 11 rows = 4″ [10 cm] in Heart pattern stitch. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.**

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RED HEART® Super Saver®, Art. E300 available in solid color 7 oz (198 g), 364 yds (333 m); stripes, prints, multis and heathers 5 oz (141 g), 236 yds (215 m); flecks 5 oz (141 g), 260 yds (238 m) skeins

SHOP KIT

Patriot Heart Pillow

Crochet a pillow that is a true reflection of your American love and pride. Veterans, patriots and families of those serving our country will enjoy this heart-warming design.

Pillow measures 18″ [46 cm] x 18″ [46 cm].

NOTES
Pillow cover is worked in continuous rounds with right side facing throughout. Cover is slightly smaller than pillow form so it fits snugly. Heart is worked separately and sewn on cover when finished. Heart appliqué is worked back and forth in rows alternating 1 row of single crochet with 1 row of double crochet. Stars are worked separately and sewn onto Heart.

SPECIAL ABBREVIATIONS
sc2tog: [Draw up a loop in next st] twice, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

SPECIAL TECHNIQUE
Adjustable loop ring: Holding yarn a few inches [cms] from end, wrap around your finger. Do not remove wrap from finger, insert hook into wrap and draw up a loop of working yarn. Chain one to secure loop and remove ring from finger. Work stitches of first round in ring. Pull gently, but firmly, on tail to tighten ring

PILLOW COVER
With **A**, ch 120, leaving a long tail for sewing seam closed, slip st in first ch to form ring, being careful not to twist sts. Place marker for beginning of round.
Round 1: Ch 1, sc in each ch around – 120 sc.
Round 2: [Sc in next sc, sc in back loop only of next sc] around.
Round 3: [Sc in back loop only of next sc, sc in next sc] around.
Repeat Rounds 2-3 until piece measures 17″ [43 cm], tugging from side to side to settle sts before measuring, slip st in first st on last round to join. Fasten off.

HEART
Row 1 (Right Side): With **B**, ch 4 (skipped 3 ch count as first dc), work 4 dc in 4th ch from hook – 5 dc.
Row 2: Ch 1, turn, sc in first 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in last 2 sc – 6 sc.
Row 3: Ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), turn, dc in same st as ch 3, dc in each st to last st, 2 dc in last st – 8 dc.
Row 4: Ch 1, turn, sc in first 3 sts, [2 sc in next st] twice, sc in last 3 sts – 10 sc. Fasten off.
Row 5: With right side facing, join **A** in first sc with slip st, repeat Row 3 – 12 dc.
Row 6: Ch 1, turn, sc in first 5 sts, [2 sc in next st] twice, sc in last 5 sts – 14 sc.
Row 7: Repeat Row 3 – 16 dc.
Row 8: Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across. Fasten off.
Row 9: With right side facing, join **B** in first sc with a slip st, repeat Row 3 – 18 dc.
Row 10: Ch 1, turn, sc in first 8 sts, [2 sc in next st] twice, sc in last 8 sts – 20 sc.
Row 11: Repeat Row 3 – 22 dc.
Row 12: Ch 1, turn, sc in first st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts, [2 sc in next st] twice, sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in last st – 26 sc. Fasten off.
Row 13: With right side facing, join **A** in first sc with a slip st, repeat Row 3 – 28 dc.
Row 14: Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across.
Row 15: Repeat Row 3 – 30 dc.
Row 16: Repeat Row 14. Fasten off.
Row 17: With right side facing, join **B** in first sc with a slip st, repeat Row 3 – 32 dc.

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Row 18: Ch 1, turn, sc in first 5 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts, [2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts] twice – 36 sc.
Row 19: Repeat Row 3 – 38 dc.
Row 20: Ch 1, turn, sc in first st, 2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 34 sts, 2 sc in next sc, sc in last st – 40 sc. Fasten off.
Rows 21-24: Repeat Rows 13-16 – 44 sc on last row worked.
Rows 25-27: With **B**, repeat Rows 13-15 – 48 dc on last row worked.
Row 28: Ch 1, turn, sc in first st, 2 sc in next st, [sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st] 4 times, sc in last 2 sts – 53 sc. Fasten off.
Row 29: With right side facing, join **C** in first st with a slip st, ch 3, dc in each st across – 53 dc.
Row 30: Repeat Row 14.
Row 31: Ch 3, turn, dc in next 25 sts, ch 2, slip st in next st, ch 2, dc in each st to end – 52 dc and 2 ch-2 spaces.

First Heart Side

Row 32: Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in next 23 sts, sc2tog over last dc and ch-2 space, leave remaining sts unworked – 25 sc.
Row 33: Ch 3, turn, dc in each st across – 25 dc.
Row 34: Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in next 10 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 9 sts, sc2tog – 22 sc.
Row 35: Repeat Row 33.
Row 36: Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in next 18 sts, sc2tog – 20 sc.
Row 37: Repeat Row 33.
Row 38: Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, [sc in next 7 sts, sc2tog] twice – 17 sc.
Row 39: Ch 1, turn, skip first st, hdc in next st, dc in next st, tr in next 10 sts, dc in next st, hdc in next st, ch 1, skip next st, slip st in last st – 2 hdc, 2 dc, and 10 tr. Fasten off.

Second Heart Side

Row 32: With wrong side facing and working across unworked sts, join **C** in unworked ch-2 space of Row 33 with a slip st, ch 1, sc2tog over ch-2 space and first dc, sc in next 23 sts, sc2tog – 25 sc.
Rows 33-39: Repeat Rows 33-39 as for First Heart Side.

Edging

With right side facing, join **B** in top edge of top red stripe with a slip st, sc evenly spaced around all red and white edges, change to **C**, sc evenly around blue edge, slip st in first sc to join. Fasten off.

Star (make 6)

With **A**, make an adjustable loop ring, leaving long end for sewing, [ch 2, dc, ch 2, slip st in 2nd ch from hook, ch 2, slip st in slip ring] 5 times. Fasten off.

FINISHING

Flatten Cover and sew one end closed. Insert pillow form. Sew opposite end closed.

Sew stars in blue sections of Heart. Sew Heart in center of Pillow Cover. Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

A, B, C = Color A, B, C; **ch** = chain; **cm** = centimeters; **dc** = double crochet; **hdc** = half double crochet; **mm** = millimeters; **sc** = single crochet; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **tog** = together; **tr** = triple or treble crochet; **[ ]** = work directions in brackets the number of times specified.