



CROCHET  
SKILL LEVEL  
EASY

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## What you will need:

### RED HEART® Super Saver®:

1 skein each 334 Buff A, 311 White B, 381 Light Blue C, 313 Aran D, 512 Turqua E, 320 Cornmeal F, 256 Carrot G, 360 Café Latte H, and 400 Grey Heather I. Note Only a small quantity of I is needed for this project

### Susan Bates® Crochet Hook:

3.5mm [US F-5] and 5mm [US H-8]

Yarn needle, 16" (40.5 cm) square pillow form, black embroidery floss (for facial features), red crayon (to shade cheeks)

**GAUGE:** 16 sts = 5" (12.5 cm); 16 rows = 4" (10 cm), with larger hook. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.



RED HEART® Super Saver®, Art. E300 available in solid color 7 oz (198 g), 364 yd (333 m); multicolor, heather and print 5 oz (141 g), 244 yd (223 m), flecks 5 oz (141 g), 260 yds (238 m) skeins

SHOP KIT

# By the Sea Pillow

*Here's the perfect pillow for the beach house or for anyone who has memories of happy days at the shore! This charming girl has befriended a sea gull who takes flight on the back of the pillow.*

Pillow measures 16" x 16" (40.5 x 40.5 cm)

## Special Stitch

**sc2tog** = [Insert hook in next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop] twice, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

## Special Technique

**Join with sc:** Place a slip knot on hook, insert hook in indicated stitch, yarn over and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through both loops on hook.

## Notes

1. Pillow is made from 2 sides worked back and forth in rows.
2. All pieces for girl and birds are worked separately and sewn to sides of pillow.
3. To change color, work last stitch of old color to last yarn over. Yarn over with new color and draw through all loops on hook to complete stitch. Proceed with new color and carry color not in use up wrong side of piece until next needed unless otherwise instructed.

## PILLOW

### Sides (make 2)

With larger hook and **A**, ch 52.

**Row 1 (right side):** Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across, turn—51 sc.

**Rows 2–17:** Ch 1, sc in each st; change to **B** in last st of Row 17, turn. Cut **A**.

**Row 18:** Ch 1, slip st in first st, \*dc in next st, slip st in next st; repeat from \* across; change to **C**, turn—26 slip sts and 25 dc. Carry **B** up edge of wrong side.

**Row 19:** Ch 1, sc in each st, turn—51 sts.

**Row 20:** Ch 2 (counts as first dc here and throughout), dc in each st; change to **B**, turn. Carry **C**.

**Row 21:** Ch 1, sc in each st, turn.

**Rows 22–29:** Repeat Rows 18–21 twice.

**Row 30:** Repeat Row 18. Cut **B**.

**Rows 31–56:** Ch 1, sc in each st, turn.

**Round 57:** Ch 1, 3 sc in first st (corner made), sc in each st to last st, 3 sc in last st (corner made); work 50 sc evenly across ends of rows of first side; working across opposite side of foundation ch, 3 sc in first ch (corner made), sc in each ch to last ch, 3 sc in last ch (corner made); work 50 sc evenly across ends of rows of other side; join with slip st in first st. Fasten off.

## GIRL

### Head

Beginning at top of head, with smaller hook and **D**, ch 7.

**Row 1 (right side):** Sc in 2nd ch from hook and each ch across, turn—6 sc.

**Rows 2–5:** Ch 1, sc in first st, 2 sc in next st, sc in each st to last 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in last st, turn—14 sc.

**Rows 6–11:** Ch 1, sc in each st, turn.

**Row 12–15:** Ch 1, sc in first st, sc2tog, sc in each st to last 3 sts, sc2tog, sc in last st, turn—6 sc.

**Row 16:** Ch 1, sc in first 2 sts, sc2tog, sc in last 2 sts, turn—5 sc.

**Rows 17 and 18:** Ch 1, sc in each st, turn.

**Row 19:** Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in each st to last st, 2 sc in last st, turn—7 sc.

### Body

**Rows 20 and 21:** Ch 4, 2 sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 2 ch, sc in each st, turn—15 sc.

**Row 22:** Repeat Row 19—17 sc.

**Rows 23 and 24:** Ch 1, sc in each st, turn.

### First Arm

**Row 1 (right side):** Ch 1, sc in first 3 sts; leave remaining sts unworked, turn—3 sc.

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**Rows 2–10:** Ch 1, sc in each st, turn.  
Fasten off.

### Sun Suit

**Row 1 (right side):** With right side of Row 24 facing, skip first unworked st, join **E** with sc in next unworked st, sc in next 8 sts; leave remaining sts unworked (for 2nd arm), turn—9 sc.

**Rows 2–10:** Ch 1, sc in each st, turn.  
Fasten off.

### Second Arm

**Row 1 (right side):** With right side of Row 24 facing, skip next unworked st, join **D** with sc in next unworked st, sc in remaining sts, turn—3 sc.

**Rows 2–10:** Ch 1, sc in each st, turn. Do not fasten off.

### Edging

**Round 1:** With right side facing, ch 1, sc evenly around working 3 sc in each outer corner and changing color as needed to match head, body, sun suit, and arms; join with slip st in first st. Fasten off.

### Sun Suit Straps

With smaller hook and **F**, ch 11.

**Row 1 (right side):** Sc in 2nd ch from hook and each ch across, turn—10 sc.

**Row 2:** Ch 1, slip st in first 2 st, ch 6, slip st in 2nd ch from hook and in next 4 ch, slip st in next 6 sts, ch 6, slip st in 2nd ch from hook and in next 4 ch, slip st in last 2 sts. Fasten off, leaving long tail for sewing. Position first row of straps at top edge of sun suit and sew to body. With **G**, embroider 16 French knots (or as many as desired) on straps.

### EAR (make 2)

With smaller hook and **D**, ch 3.

**Row 1:** Work 5 hdc in 3rd ch from hook—.  
Fasten off, leaving long tail for sewing.

### FLOWER

With smaller hook and **G**, ch 4; join with slip st in first ch to form a ring.

**Round 1:** [(Slip st, ch 2, dc, slip st) in ring] 4 times; join with slip st in first slip st. Fasten off, leaving long tail for sewing. With right side facing, center flower on sun suit and sew in place. With **F**, embroider a French knot in center of flower.

### HAT

With smaller hook and **G**, ch 7.

**Row 1:** Work 2 sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each ch to last ch, 2 sc in last ch, turn—8 sc.

**Row 2:** Ch 1, sc in each st, turn.

**Rows 3 and 4:** Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in each st to last st, 2 sc in last st, turn—12 sc.

**Row 5:** Ch 1, sc in each st, turn.

**Rows 6–8:** Repeat Rows 3–5—16 sc.

**Row 9:** Ch 1, sc in each st, turn.

**Row 10:** Ch 1, working in front loops, 2 sc in each st, turn—32 sc.

**Row 11:** Ch 1, sc in each st. Do not turn.

**Round 12:** Ch 1, sc evenly around working 3 sc in each bottom corner and adding sc as needed to keep piece flat; join with slip st in first st. Fasten off.

### Hat Band

With smaller hook and **F**, ch 26.

**Row 1:** Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in next 3 ch (tail made), ch 5, sc in 2nd ch from hook (tail made) and in next 3 ch, sc in remaining 21 ch. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

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## FIRST SEAGULL

Beginning at top of head, with smaller hook and **B**, ch 3.

**Row 1 (right side):** Work 2 sc in 2nd ch from hook and in next ch, turn—4 sc.

**Row 2:** Ch 1, sc in first st, 2 sc in each of next 2 sts, sc in last st, turn—6 sc.

**Rows 3 and 4:** Ch 1, sc in each st, turn.

**Row 5:** Ch 1, sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog, turn—4 sc.

**Row 6:** Ch 9, slip st in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 7 ch, sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in last st, turn—12 sc.

**Row 7:** Ch 1, sc in each sc; leave slip st unworked, turn.

**Row 8:** Ch 1, slip st in first st, sc in each st, turn—11 sc.

**Row 9:** Ch 1, sc in first 10 sts; leave remaining sts unworked, turn—10 sc.

**Rows 10–12:** Ch 1, sc2tog, sc in each st to last 2 sts, sc2tog, turn—4 sc.

**Round 13:** Ch 1, sc evenly around; join with slip st in first st. Fasten off.

With black embroidery floss, embroider French knot on head for eye.

## Tail Feathers

With smaller hook and **B**, ch 6.

**Row 1 (right side):** Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across, [ch 6, sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across] twice.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Sew tail feathers to right edge of seagull.

## Beak

With smaller hook and **F**, ch 5.

**Row 1:** Work 2 sc in 2nd ch from hook, slip st in next 3 ch. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. Sew beak to upper left edge of head.

Do not cut remainder of tail.

## Wing

With smaller hook and **F**, ch 5.

**Row 1:** Work 2 sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 2 ch, 2 sc in last ch, turn—6 sc.

**Row 2:** Ch 1, sc in each st, turn.

**Row 3:** Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in each st to last 2 sts, sc2tog. Fasten off.

Using photograph as a guide and **I**, embroider 3 straight stitches on wing. Sew wing to body.

## SECOND SEAGULL

Beginning at top of head, with smaller hook and **F**, ch 2.

**Row 1 (right side):** Work 3 sc in 2nd ch from hook, turn—3 sc.

**Row 2:** Ch 1, sc in first st, 2 sc in next st, sc in last st, turn—4 sc.

**Row 3:** Ch 1, sc in each st, turn.

**Row 4:** Ch 1, [sc2tog] twice, turn—2 sc.

**Row 5:** Ch 1, 2 sc in each st, turn—4 sc.

**Rows 6–10:** Repeat Row 3.

**Row 11:** Repeat Row 4—2 sc.

**Row 12:** Repeat Row 3.

**Row 13:** Repeat Row 5.

**Rows 14–16 (tail):** Repeat Row 3.

**Round 17:** Ch 1, sc evenly around working 3 sc in first and last sts of Row 16. Fasten off.

Using photograph as a guide and **I**, embroider 4 straight stitches on tail. With black embroidery floss, embroider French knot on head for eye.

## Wing (make 2)

With smaller hook and **F**, ch 12.

**Row 1:** Slip st in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next ch, hdc in next ch, dc in next 2 ch, (dc, tr, dc) in next ch, dc in last 5 ch, turn.

**Row 2:** Ch 1, sc in first 6 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts, slip st in last 2 sts. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Using photograph as a guide and **I**, embroider 3 straight stitches at narrower end of wing.

**Note:** Embroider right side of first wing; embroider wrong side of second wing.

## Beak

Work same as beak of first seagull.



## FINISHING

Hold front and back sides of pillow with right sides facing and **A** section at bottom. Use photograph as a guide for all embroidery and placement of pieces.

Girl's Head and Body With black embroidery floss, embroider a French knot for each eye, straight stitches for eyebrows and nose, and V-shaped couched stitch for mouth. Color cheeks with red crayon. Position head and body

on front side, aligning lower edges of arms and sun suit with Row 1 of front side, and sew in place. Sew ears to each side of head.

## Braid (make 2)

Cut ten 18" (45.5 cm) strands of **H**. Bundle 9 strands together and tie the last strand very tightly around the center of the bundle. Thread the tails of the tying strand through the pillow front at the side of the head above the ear and secure on wrong side. Fold the bundle in half so that you have 18 strands; separate into 3 hanks and braid to 3½" (9 cm) or desired length. Tie a short strand of yarn around the bottom of the braid and trim ends evenly. Tie a bow with **E** around bottom of braid.



## Assembly

Sew hat on head, ensuring that the tops of the braids are covered. Sew hat band on hat, leaving tails unsewn. Position first seagull at top edge of hat and sew in place. Sew beak to front side with remainder of **F** tail.

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Position second seagull body on top **C** section of back side and sew in place. Center each wing on sides of body and sew in place. Sew beak to back side with remainder of **F** tail. Weave in ends.

With wrong sides of pillow sides together and working in back loop of front side sts and front loop of back side sts, join **C** with sc in center st of any corner, 2 sc in same st, sc in each st around 3 sides working 3 sc in center st of each corner; insert pillow form; sc in each remaining st to first st; join with slip st in first st. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

### ABBREVIATIONS

**A, B, C** = Color A, Color B, Color C, etc.; **ch** = chain; **dc** = double crochet; **hdc** = half double crochet; **sc** = single crochet; **sp(s)** = space(s); **st(s)** = stitch(es); **tr** = treble (triple) crochet; **( )** = work directions in parentheses into same st; **[ ]** = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; **\*** = repeat whatever follows the \* as indicated.

