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## What you will need:

**RED HEART® Soft®:** 2 balls each 9870 Deep Sea A and 4420 Guacamole B, 6 balls 9010 Charcoal C, and 1 ball 4601 Off White D

**Susan Bates® Crochet Hook:** 5mm [US H-8] and 6.5mm [US K-10.5]

Yarn needle, locking stitch markers, 21" x 21" x 21" (53.5 x 53.5 x 53.5 cm) bean bag (sample used Model 96704 by Ace Bayou)

**GAUGE:** 9 sts = 3" (7.5 cm); 6 rows = 3" (10 cm), in half-double crochet with larger hook and 2 strands held together. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE.** Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.



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# Argyle Bean Bag Ottoman

*Perfect for anywhere you need an extra seat or place to rest your tired feet, this ottoman can be used in any living area or playroom. Crochet it with colors that fit your decorating style and fill it with an inexpensive bean bag chair.*

**Ottoman** measures 13½" high at side panel x 27" diameter x 87" circumference (34.5 x 68.5 x 221 cm), assembled.

**Square** measures 7" x 7" (18 x 18 cm), before assembly.

**Triangle** measures 5¼" tall x 7" across short side x 9¾" across long side (13.5 x 18 x 25 cm), before assembly.

**Top or Bottom Panel** measures 18½" diameter (45.5 cm), before assembly.

## Special Stitches

**beg hdc2tog in blf** (beginning half double crochet 2 together in back loop first) = Yarn over, insert hook in back loop only of first stitch, yarn over and pull up loop; yarn over, insert hook in front loop only of next stitch, yarn over and pull up loop, yarn over and draw through all 5 loops on hook.

**beg hdc2tog in flf** (beginning half double crochet 2 together in front loop first) = Yarn over, insert hook in front loop only of first stitch, yarn over and pull up loop; yarn over, insert hook in back loop only of next stitch, yarn over and pull up loop, yarn over and draw through all 5 loops on hook.

**hdc2tog in blf** (half double crochet 2 together in back loop first) = Yarn over, insert hook in back loop only of next stitch, yarn over and pull up loop; yarn over, insert hook in front loop only of next stitch, yarn over and pull up loop, yarn over and draw through all 5 loops on hook.

**hdc2tog in flf** (half double crochet 2 together in front loop first) = Yarn over, insert hook in front loop only of next stitch, yarn over and pull up loop; yarn over, insert hook in back loop only of next stitch, yarn over and pull up loop, yarn over and draw through all 5 loops on hook.

**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

- Ottoman is made from top and bottom panels worked in rounds and a side panel made from 6 squares and 12 triangles worked in rows.
- Squares, triangles, and panel pieces are made with 2 strands of yarn held together.
- The assembled pieces will appear to be too small to accommodate the bean bag but the yarn will stretch. The ottoman cover is intended to fit snugly around the bean bag.
- Beginning chain of each row and round does not count as a stitch.

## OTTOMAN

**Square** (make 6 – 3 with **A** and 3 with **B**)  
With larger hook and 2 strands held together, ch 22.

**Row 1 (right side):** Working in back bumps only, hdc in 2nd ch from hook (beginning ch does not count as a st) and in each ch across, turn—21 sts.

**Rows 2–14:** Ch 1, \*hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st; repeat from \* to last st, hdc in both loops of last st, turn.

Fasten off.

## Triangle (make 12)

With larger hook and 2 strands of **C** held together, ch 31.

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**Row 1:** Working in back bumps only, hdc in 2nd ch from hook (beginning ch does not count as a st) and in each ch across, turn—30 sts.

**Row 2 (right side):** Ch 1, skip first st, hdc2tog in flf, \*hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st; repeat from \* to last 3 sts, hdc2tog in flf; leave remaining st unworked, turn—26 sts.

**Row 3:** Ch 1, beg hdc2tog in flf, \*hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st; repeat from \* to last 2 sts, hdc2tog in flf, turn—24 sts.

**Row 4:** Ch 1, skip first st, hdc2tog in blf, \*hdc in back loop only of next st, hdc in front loop only of next st; repeat from \* to last 3 sts, hdc2tog in blf; leave remaining st unworked, turn—20 sts.

**Row 5:** Ch 1, beg hdc2tog in blf, \*hdc in back loop only of next st, hdc in front loop only of next st; repeat from \* to last 2 sts, hdc2tog in blf, turn—18 sts.

**Rows 6–9:** Repeat Rows 2–5—6 sts.

**Row 10:** Ch 1, beg hdc2tog in blf, [hdc2tog in blf] twice, turn—3 sts.

**Row 11:** Ch 1, beg hdc2tog in flf, hdc in front loop only of last st, turn—2 sts. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

### Side Panel

With right sides facing and using assembly diagram as a guide, align short sides of triangles with sides of squares to form an argyle motif. With locking stitch markers, pin corners of triangles and squares together and, with tails of triangles and working across ends of rows, whipstitch pieces together to form a cylinder.

### Edging

**Round 1 (right side):** With right side facing, larger hook, and holding 2 strands together, join **C** with slip st in any st of any triangle, ch 1, hdc in front loop only of same st as join, hdc in back loop only of next st, \*hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st; repeat from \* 88 times; join with slip st in first hdc, turn—180 hdc.

**Rounds 2 and 3:** Ch 1, hdc in front loop only of first st, hdc in back loop only of next st, \*hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st; repeat from \* around; join with slip st in first hdc, turn. Fasten off.

Repeat Rounds 1–3 on bottom edge of side panel.

### Top Panel

With larger hook and 2 strands of **B** held together, ch 2.

**Round 1 (right side):** Work 8 hdc in 2nd ch from hook; join with slip st in first hdc, turn—8 hdc.

**Round 2:** Ch 1, hdc in front loop only of first st, hdc in back loop only of same st, \*hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of same st; repeat from \* 6 times; join with slip st in first hdc, turn—16 hdc.

**Round 3:** Ch 1, hdc in front loop only of first st, hdc in back loop only of same st, \*hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st, hdc in front loop only of same st, hdc in back loop only of next st\*\*, hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of same st; repeat from \* 3 times ending at \*\*; join with slip st in first hdc, turn—24 hdc.

**Round 4:** Ch 1, hdc in front loop only of first st, hdc in back loop only of same st, hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st, \*hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of same st, hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of

next st; repeat from \* 6 times; join with slip st in first hdc, turn—32 hdc.

**Round 5:** Ch 1, hdc in front loop only of first st, hdc in back loop only of same st, \*hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st, hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st, hdc in front loop only of same st, hdc in back loop only of next st, hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st\*\*, hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of same st; repeat from \* 3 times ending at \*\*; join with slip st in first hdc, turn—40 sts.

**Round 6:** Ch 1, hdc in front loop only of first st, hdc in back loop only of same st, [hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st] twice, \*hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of same st, [hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st] twice; repeat from \* 6 times; join with slip st in first hdc, turn—48 hdc. Fasten off.

**Round 7:** With 2 strands held together, join **A** with slip st in any st, ch 1, hdc in front loop only of first st, hdc in back loop only of same st, \*hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st] twice, hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st, [hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st] twice, hdc in back loop only of next st, hdc in front loop only of same st, [hdc in back loop only of next st, hdc in front loop only of next st] twice, hdc in back loop only of next st\*\*, hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of same st; repeat from \* 3 times ending at \*\*; join with slip st in first hdc, turn—56 hdc.

**Round 8:** Ch 1, hdc in front loop only of first st, hdc in back loop only of same st, [hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st] 3 times, \*hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of same st, [hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st] 3 times; repeat from \* 6 times; join with slip st in first hdc, turn—64 hdc.

**Round 9:** Ch 1, hdc in front loop only of first st, hdc in back loop only of same st, \*[hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st, hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st, hdc in front loop only of same st, [hdc in back loop only of next st, hdc in front loop only of next st] 3 times, hdc in back loop only of next st\*\*, hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of same st; repeat from \* 3 times ending at \*\*; join with slip st in first hdc, turn—72 hdc. Fasten off.

**Round 10:** With 2 strands held together, join **C** with slip st in any st, ch 1, hdc in front loop only of first st, hdc in back loop only of same st, [hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st] 4 times, \*hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of same st, [hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st] 4 times; repeat from \* 6 times; join with slip st in first hdc, turn—80 hdc.

**Round 11:** Ch 1, hdc in front loop only of first st, hdc in back loop only of same st, \*[hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st] 4 times, hdc in front loop only of next st, [hdc in back loop only of next st, hdc in front loop only of next st] 4 times, hdc in back loop only of next st\*\*, hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of same st; repeat from \* 3 times ending at \*\*; join with slip st in first hdc, turn—88 hdc.

**Round 12:** Ch 1, hdc in front loop only of first st, hdc in back loop only of same st, [hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st] 5 times, \*hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of same st, [hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st] 5 times; repeat from \* 6 times; join with slip st in first hdc, turn—96 hdc.

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**Round 13:** Ch 1, hdc in front loop only of first st, hdc in back loop only of same st, \*[hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st] 5 times, hdc in front loop only of next st, [hdc in back loop only of next st, hdc in front loop only of same st, [hdc in back loop only of next st, hdc in front loop only of next st] 5 times, hdc in back loop only of next st\*\*, hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of same st; repeat from \* 3 times ending at \*\*; join with slip st in first hdc, turn—104 hdc.

**Round 14:** Ch 1, hdc in front loop only of first st, hdc in back loop only of same st, [hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st] 6 times, \*hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of same st, [hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st] 6 times; repeat from \* 6 times; join with slip st in first hdc, turn—112 hdc.

**Round 15:** Ch 1, hdc in front loop only of first st, hdc in back loop only of same st, \*[hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st, hdc in front loop only of same st, [hdc in back loop only of next st, hdc in front loop only of next st] 6 times, hdc in back loop only of next st, hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st, hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st\*\*], hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of same st; repeat from \* 3 times ending at \*\*; join with slip st in first hdc, turn—120 hdc.

**Round 16:** Ch 1, hdc in front loop only of first st, hdc in back loop only of same st, [hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st] 7 times, \*hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of same st, [hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st] 7 times; repeat from \* 6 times; join with slip st in first hdc, turn—128 hdc.

**Round 17:** Ch 1, hdc in front loop only of first st, hdc in back loop only of same st, \*[hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st] 7 times, hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st, hdc in front loop only of same st, [hdc in back loop only of next st, hdc in front loop only of next st] 7 times, hdc in back loop only of next st\*\*, hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of same st; repeat from \* 3 times ending at \*\*; join with slip st in first hdc, turn—136 hdc.

**Round 18:** Ch 1, hdc in front loop only of first st, hdc in back loop only of same st, [hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st] 8 times, \*hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of same st, [hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st] 8 times; repeat from \* 6 times; join with slip st in first hdc, turn—144 hdc.

**Round 19:** Ch 1, hdc in front loop only of first st, hdc in back loop only of same st, \*[hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st, hdc in front loop only of same st, [hdc in back loop only of next st, hdc in front loop only of next st] 8 times, hdc in back loop only of next st\*\*, hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of same st; repeat from \* 3 times ending at \*\*; join with slip st in first hdc, turn—152 hdc.

**Round 20:** Ch 1, hdc in front loop only of first st, hdc in back loop only of same st, [hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st] 9 times, \*hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of same st, [hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st] 9 times; repeat from \* 6 times; join with slip st in first hdc, turn—160 hdc.

**Round 21:** Ch 1, hdc in front loop only of first st, hdc in back loop only of same st, \*[hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st] 9 times, hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of next st, hdc in front loop only of same st, [hdc in back loop only of next st, hdc in front loop only of next st] 9 times, hdc in back loop only of next st\*\*, hdc in front loop only of next st, hdc in back loop only of same st; repeat from \* 3 times ending at \*\*; join with slip st in first hdc, turn—168 hdc. Fasten off.

### Bottom Panel

Work same as Top Panel with changes in color as follows: work Rounds 1–6 with **A**, Rounds 7–9 with **B**, and Rounds 10–21 with **C**.

## FINISHING

### Top Edge Piping

With wrong sides held together, place a marker on any stitch on each of the top and side panels. With locking stitch markers, pin panels together, joining every 12th stitch of the top panel to every 13th stitch of the side panel.

With larger hook and 2 strands of **D** held together, join yarn with sc in inside loops (back loop of side panel and front loop of top panel).

**Round 1:** Ch 1, \*working in inside loops (back loop of side panel and front loop of top panel), sc in next 11 sts, sc2tog working first “leg” in back loop of side panel and front loop of top panel of next st and 2nd “leg” in back loop only of next st of side panel; repeat from \* around; join with slip st in first sc, turn—168 sc.

**Note:** Stitches made in Round 1 will not be visible under stitches of Round 2. This is intentional and creates a thick piping.

**Round 2:** Ch 1, working in unworked outer loops (front loop of top panel and back loop of side panel) of previous round, sc in each sc around; join with slip st in first sc. Fasten off.

### Bottom Edge Piping

Stuff bean bag in piece. With side panel and bottom panel, work same as top edge piping.

### Diamond Accent (make 2)

With smaller hook and single strand of **D**, ch 390. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. Place stitch marker on every 65th stitch.

**Using photograph as a guide and starting at the midpoint on the long edge of any lower triangle, make diamond accent on side panel as follows:** position and sew accent diagonally across the next square securing the first marked stitch at the midpoint on the long edge of the next upper triangle. \*Changing the direction of the diagonal, sew accent across next square, securing the next marked stitch at the midpoint of the next lower triangle.\*\*

Changing the direction of the diagonal, sew accent across next square, securing the next marked stitch at the midpoint of the next upper triangle. Repeat from \* around, ending at \*\* and sewing last chain to first chain. Secure and fasten off.

Beginning at the midpoint on the long edge of any upper triangle, work 2nd strand of accent same as first with diagonals positioned opposite to and crossing over the first accent chains.

### Top Panel Diamond Accent

With smaller hook and **D**, ch 180. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing. Place stitch marker on every 30th stitch. Using photograph as a guide, position chains as joined diamonds with marked stitches as top and bottom points and sew in place.

### Bottom Panel Circle Accents

**Small circle:** With smaller hook and **D**, ch 88; join with slip st in first ch. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

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**Large circle:** With smaller hook and **D**, ch 130; join with slip st in first ch. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Sew small circle at outer edge of Round 6; sew large circle at outer edge of Round 9.

Weave in ends.

**ABBREVIATIONS**

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

**Side Panel Assembly**

