

SPORTS THROW PILLOWS

CROCHET



SKILL LEVEL:

Easy

FINISHED SIZE:

Round Pillows: Approx 10" (25cm) dia.

Football Pillow: Approx 12" (30cm) long, 7" (17.8cm) dia.

MATERIALS:

- Worsted Weight Yarn
 - White (10 oz/284g): Color **A**
 - Red (5 oz/142g): Color **B**
 - Rust (10 oz/284g): Color **C**
 - Brown (10 oz/284g): Color **D**
 - Black (15 oz/142g): Color **E**



YOU WILL NEED:

- Size G-6 (4mm) crochet hook or size to obtain gauge
- Three 14" pillow forms
- Fiberfill
- Tapestry needle

GAUGE:

4 sc rows = 1" (2.5cm); 5 hdc rows = 2" (5cm)
Hexagons = 2½" (6.4cm) dia.

Exact gauge is essential for your project to be proper size. As you begin your project, make a sample swatch per the instructions using the recommended yarn and hook. After you complete the swatch, measure it, counting your stitches and rows carefully. If your swatch is larger or smaller than specified, change the hook size and make another swatch to get the correct gauge. Keep trying until you find the hook size that will give you the specified gauge.

STITCH GUIDE:

Chain (**ch**), slip stitch (**sl st**), single crochet (**sc**), half double crochet (**hdc**), double crochet (**dc**)

sc2tog (single crochet 2 together): (Insert hook in next st, yo, pull lp though) twice, yo, pull through all lps on hook.

cfc (chain in foundation chain): Refers to any ch st in the foundation ch (to differentiate this from any ch st in the vertical lacing).

rotate-down: With RS facing, rotate the work clockwise until the Topside Vertical Lacing hangs below the foundation chs.

rotate-up: With RS facing, rotate the work clockwise until the Topside Vertical Lacing is above the foundation chs.

SSS (Special Slip Stitch): At the place where the vertical lacing crosses the foundation ch, insert hook from front to back through that intersection, yo, make sl st.

TVL (Topside Vertical Lacing): In next cfc, (sl st, ch 3, sl st in second ch from hook, sl st in next ch, sl st in same cfc), mark this as the top side of the lacing to avoid twisting the lacing.

OVL (Other side Vertical Lacing): In unused lp of next cfc, (sl st, ch 3, sl st in second ch from hook, sl st in next ch, SSS in same cfc).

DIRECTIONS:

Basketball Pillow (make 2):

Rnd 1: With Color **D**, ch 2, 12 hdc in second ch from hook; join with sl st in top of first hdc. (12 hdc)

Rnd 2: Ch 2, hdc in same st as join, 2 hdc in each hdc around; join with sl st in top of ch 2. (24 hdc)

Rnd 3: Ch 2, hdc in same st as join, hdc in next hdc, *2 hdc in next hdc, hdc in next hdc; rep from * around. Join with sl st in top of ch 2. (36 hdc)

Rnd 4: Ch 2, hdc in same st as join, hdc in each of next 2 hdc, *2 hdc in next hdc, hdc in each of next 2 hdc; rep from * around. Join with sl st in top of ch 2. (48 hdc)

Rnd 5: Ch 2, hdc in same st as join, hdc in each of next 3 hdc, *2 hdc in next hdc, hdc in each of next 3 hdc; rep from * around. Join with sl st in top of ch 2. (60 hdc)

Rnd 6: Ch 2, hdc in next hdc, *2 hdc in next hdc, hdc in each of next 4 hdc; rep from * 11 times, hdc in each of final 2 hdc. Join with sl st in top of ch 2. (72 hdc)

Rnd 7: Ch 2, hdc in same st as join, hdc in each of next 5 hdc, *2 hdc in next hdc, hdc in each of next 5 hdc; rep from * around. Join with sl st in top of ch 2. (84 hdc)

Rnd 8: Ch 2, hdc in each hdc around; join with sl st in top of ch 2.

Rnd 9: Ch 2, hdc in same st as join, hdc in each of next 6 hdc, *2 hdc in next hdc, hdc in each of next 6 hdc; rep from * around. Join with sl st in top of ch 2. (96 hdc)

Rnd 10: Ch 2, hdc in each hdc around; join with sl st in top of ch 2.

Rnd 11: Ch 2, hdc in same st as join, hdc in each of next 15 hdc, *2 hdc in next hdc, hdc in each of next 15 hdc; rep from * around. Join with sl st in top of ch 2. (102 hdc)

Rnds 12-16: Ch 2, hdc in each hdc around; join with sl st in top of ch 2.

Note: For First Half, fasten off at end of Rnd 16. For Second Half, do not fasten off at end of Rnd 16, continue to crochet the 2 halves tog. Pillow form is bigger to make pillow rnd.

Join Halves:

With WS tog, ch 1, *(insert hook in front lp of edge of first half and in back lp of edge of second half, make sl st)** halfway around, insert pillow form bet halves; rep from * to ** around. Join with sl st in first sl st, fasten off.

Finishing:

With yarn needle and Color **B**, backstitch the appropriate basketball lines onto the pillow, referring to photo for placement. (This is easier to do after the pieces have been joined tog.)

Baseball Pillow:

With Color **A**, rep Rnds 1-16 of Basketball Pillow.

Finishing:

With Color **B**, backstitch the lines on the baseball. With Color **C**, backstitch the lacing on the baseball using image as guide.

Football Pillow:

Note: This pillow is made in the rnd from one end of the Football to the other, adding the stuffing after the second white stripe before closing the end. Work the pillow

with the RS facing out. Then make the lacing and whipstitch it into place. Join at ends of Rnds 7-11 and 44-48. Otherwise, do not join at ends of rnds.

Rnd 1: With Color **D**, ch 2, make 6 sc in second ch from hook. Do not join. (6 sc)

Rnds 2-4: *2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc; rep from * around. Do not join. (21 sc at end of Rnd 4)

Rnd 5: 2 sc in next st, *sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st; rep from * twice, sc in last 2 sts. (25 sc)

Rnd 6: *2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 4 sc; rep from * 4 times. Do not join. (30 sc)

Rnd 7: *2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 9 sc; rep from * twice. Join with sl st in top of first sc. (33 sc)

Rnd 8: Change to Color **A**, ch 1, sc in each sc around; join with sl st in top of ch 1.

Rnd 9: Ch 1, *2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 10 sc; rep from * twice. Join with sl st in top of ch 1. (36 sc)

Rnd 10: Ch 1, *2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 11 sc; rep from * twice. Join with sl st in top of ch 1. (39 sc)

Rnd 11: Ch 1, sc in each of next 6 sc, *2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 12 sc; rep from * once, 2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 6 sc. Join with sl st in top of ch 1. (42 sc)

Rnd 12: Change to Color **D**, *2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 13 sc; rep from * twice. Do not join rnds until Rnd 44. (45 sc)

Rnd 13: Sc in each of next 7 sc, *2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 14 sc; rep from * once, 2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 7 sc. (48 sc)

Rnd 14: *2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 15 sc; rep from * twice. (51 sc)

Rnd 15: Sc in each of next 8 sc, *2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 16 sc; rep from * once, 2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 8 sc. (54 sc)

Rnd 16: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 17: *2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 26 sc; rep from * once. (56 sc)

Rnd 18: Sc in each of next 13 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 27 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 14 sc. (58 sc)

Rnd 19: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 20: Sc in each of next 14 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 28 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 14 sc. (60 sc)

Rnd 21: *2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 29 sc; rep from * once. (62 sc)

Rnd 22: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 23: Sc in each of next 15 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 30 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 15 sc. (64 sc)

Rnd 24: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 25: *2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 31 sc; rep from * once. (66 sc)

Rnds 26-30: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 31: *Sc2tog over next 2 sc, sc in each of next 31 sc; rep from * once. (64 sc)

Rnd 32: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 33: Sc in each of next 15 sc, sc2tog over next 2 sc, sc in each of next 30 sc, sc2tog over next 2 sc, sc in each of next 15 sc. (62 sc)

Rnd 34: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 35: *Sc2tog over next 2 sc, sc in each of next 29 sc; rep from * once. (60 sc)

Rnd 36: Sc in each of next 14 sc, sc2tog over next 2 sc, sc in each of next 28 sc, sc2tog over next 2 sc, sc in each of next 14 sc. (58 sc)

Rnd 37: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 38: Sc in each of next 13 sc, sc2tog over next 2 sc, sc in each of next 27 sc, sc2tog over next 2 sc, sc in each of next 14 sc. (56 sc)

Rnd 39: *Sc2tog over next 2 sc, sc in each of next 26 sc; rep from * once. (54 sc)

Rnd 40: Sc in each sc around.

Rnd 41: Sc in each of next 8 sc, *sc2tog over next 2 sc, sc in each of next 16 sc; rep from * once, sc2tog over next 2 sc, sc in each of next 8 sc. (51 sc)

Rnd 42: *Sc2tog over next 2 sc, sc in each of next 15 sc; rep from * twice. (48 sc)

Rnd 43: Sc in each of next 7 sc, *sc2tgo over next 2 sc, sc in each of next 14 sc; rep from * once, sc2tog over next 2 sc, sc in each of next 7 sc. (45 sc)

Rnd 44: *Sc2tog over next 2 sc, sc in each of next 13 sc; rep from * twice. Join with sl st in top of first sc. (42 sc)

Rnd 45: Change to Color **A**, ch 1, sc in each of next 6 sc, *sc2tog over next 2 sc, sc in each of next 12 sc; rep from * once, sc2tog over next 2 sc, sc in each of next 6 sc. Join with sl st in top of ch 1. (39 sc)

Rnd 46: Ch 1, *sc2tog over next 2 sc, sc in each of next 11 sc; rep from * twice. Join with sl st in top of ch 1. (36 sc)

Rnd 47: Ch 1, *sc2tog over next 2 sc, sc in each of next 10 sc; rep from * twice. Join with sl st in top of ch 1. (33 sc)

Rnd 48: Ch 1, sc in each sc around; join with sl st in top of first sc.

Rnd 49: Change to Color **D**, *2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 9 sc; rep from * twice. Do not join this rnd or further rnds through Rnd 55. (30 sc)

Beg stuffing pillow. Be sure to add enough extra stuffing to plump out the 6 final rnds of the pillow.

Rnd 50: *Sc2tog, sc in each of next 4 sc; rep from * 4 times. (25 sc)

Rnd 51: *Sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts; rep from * twice, sc2tog, sc in next 5 sts. (21 sc)

Rnd 52: *Sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts; rep from * 4 times, sc in last st. (16 sts)

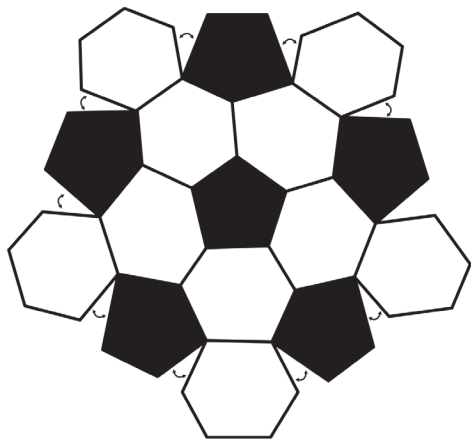
Rnd 53: *Sc2tog, sc in next st; rep from * 4 times, sc in last st. (11 sts)

Rnd 54: (Sc2tog) 5 times, sc in last st. (6 sts)

Rnd 55: Sc in each sc around. Cut yarn, leaving an 8" tail. Weave tail through each sc, pull to tighten and close end. Fasten off.

Lacing:

With Color **A**, ch 25 to make foundation ch, sl st in second cfc from hook, *TVL, rotate-down, OTL, rotate-up**, sl st in each of next 2 cfc; rep from * 7 times. Sl st in final cfc. Fasten off, leaving a 30" tail. Sew lacing onto Football Pillow, using photo for placement.



Soccer Ball Pillow:

White Hexagon (make 20):

Rnd 1: With Color **A**, ch 2, 6 hdc in second ch from hook; join with sl st in top of first hdc. (6 hdc)

Rnd 2: Ch 1, 3 hdc in each hdc around; join with sl st in top of first hdc. (18 hdc)

Rnd 3: Ch 2 (counts as hdc), *3 hdc in next hdc, hdc in each of next 2 hdc; rep from * 5 times, 3 hdc in next hdc, hdc in next hdc. Join with sl st in top of ch 2. (30 hdc with 5 hdc per side)

Black Pentagon (make 14):

Rnd 1: With Color **E**, ch 2, 10 hdc in second ch from hook; join with sl st in top of first hdc. (10 hdc)

Rnd 2: Ch 2 (counts as hdc), 3 hdc in same st as join, hdc in next hdc, *4 hdc in next hdc, hdc in next hdc; rep from * 3 times. Join with sl st in top of ch 2. (25 hdc with 5 hdc per side)

Finishing:

Arrange the shapes into two halves in such a way that each Black Pentagon is surrounded by White Hexagons (see diagram). One of the halves should have a White Hexagon in the center, the other should have a Black Pentagon in the center. Join shapes tog as follows: With RS tog, making sure the sides to be joined are aligned at the corners, starting at one corner, insert hook in front lp of shape in front and in back lp of shape in back (so that the unused lps will frame the shape on the RS). Sl st the shapes tog along that side. When the 2 halves have been completed, crochet edgings (to even out the hills and valleys of the edge) on each half as follows.

Edging:

Note: Working the half with White Hexagon in the center.

Rnd 1: Working in back lps only, with RS facing join Color **A** in back lp of any outside corner hdc of any White Hexagon, ch 2, hdc in same st as join, *hdc in each hdc until reaching an outside corner, 2 hdc in hdc of outside corner; rep from * around. Join with sl st in top of ch 2.

Rnd 2: Ch 2, *hdc in each hdc until reaching a "valley" bet shapes, dc in each of lowest 4 hdc in "valley" bet shapes; rep from * around.

Rnd 3: Working in both lps, ch 2, hdc in each st around; join with sl st in top of first hdc. Fasten off.

Edging:

Note: Working the half with Black Pentagon in the center:

Rnd 1: Working in back lps, with RS facing join Color **A** in back lp of upper corner hdc of any White Hexagon; ch 1, *sc in back lp of each hdc across upper edge of White Hexagon to the next corner, hdc in back lp of each of next 2 hdc, dc in back lp of each of next 10 hdc in "valley", hdc in back lp of each of next 2 hdc**, sc in back lp of each of next 8 hdc; rep from * 3 times. Rep from * to **, ending with sc in back lps of each hdc rem. Join with sl st in top of first sc.

Rnd 2: Ch 1, *sc in each sc, hdc in next hdc, dc in next hdc, dc in each dc, dc in next hdc, hdc in next hdc; rep from * around.

Rnd 3: Ch 1, hdc in each st around; join with sl st in ch 1.

Rnd 4: Ch 1, hdc in each st around; join with sl st in ch 1. Do not fasten off. Continue to crochet the 2 halves tog.

Joining:

With WS tog, ch 1, *(sl in front lp of Edge st from first half and in back lp of Edge from second half)** halfway around, insert pillow form bet halves; rep from * to ** around. Join with sl st in first sl st. Fasten off. Weave in all ends.

WASHING INSTRUCTIONS:

Hand wash. Dry flat.

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