Pinwheel Pillow

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INTERMEDIATE

Pillow measures 16" x 16".

RED HEART® "Super Saver®": 1 skein each 319 Cherry Red **A**, 316 Soft White **B**, and 312 Black **C**.

Crochet Hook: 5.5mm [US I-9].
Yarn needle; purchased black fabric-covered 16" square pillow; black sewing needle and thread.

GAUGE: Motif = 6½" across. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.**

Special Technique
Do not cut colors but drop to wrong side; pick up and resume working with colors as required.

PILLOW TOP
Square (Make 4)
With **A**, ch 4; join with a slip st to form a ring.
Round 1 (Right Side): Ch 3, 2 dc in ring, ch 2, 3 dc in ring, ch 2, drop **A** to wrong side, with **B** 3 dc in ring, ch 2, drop **B** to wrong side, with **C** 3 dc in ring, ch 2; join with a

slip st in top of ch-3; TURN.

Round 2 (Wrong Side): With **C** (slip st, ch 3, 2 dc) all in first ch-2 space, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-2 space, ch 2, drop **C**, with **B** 3 dc in same space, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-2 space, ch 2, drop **B**, with **A** 3 dc in same space, ch 1, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) all in next ch-2 space, ch 1, 3 dc in first ch-2 space, ch 2; join with a slip st in top of ch-3; TURN.

Round 3 (Right Side): With **A**, (slip st, ch 3, 2 dc) all in first ch-2 space, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-1 space, ch 1, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) all in next ch-2 space, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-1 space, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-2 space, ch 2, drop **A**, with **B** 3 dc in same space, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-1 space, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-2 space, ch 2, drop **B**, with **C** 3 dc in same space, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-1 space, ch 1, 3 dc in first ch-2 space, ch 2; join; TURN.

Round 4 (Wrong Side): With **C** (slip st, ch 3, 2 dc) all in first ch-2 space, [ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-1 space] twice, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-2 space, ch 2, drop **C**, with **B** 3 dc in same space, [ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-1 space] twice, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-2 space, ch 2, drop **B**, with **A** 3 dc in same space, [ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-1 space] twice, ch 1, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) all in next ch-2 space, [ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-1 space] twice, ch 1, 3 dc in first ch-2 space, ch 2; join; TURN.

Round 5 (Right Side): With **A** (slip st, ch 3, 2 dc) all in first ch-2 space, [ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-1 space] 3 times, ch 1, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) all in next ch-2 space, [ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-1 space] 3 times, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-2 space, ch 2, drop **A**, with **B** 3 dc in same space, [ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-1 space] 3 times, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-2 space, ch 2, drop **B**, with **C** 3 dc in same space, [ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-1 space] 3 times, ch 1, 3 dc in first ch-2 space, ch 2; join. Fasten off.

Assembly
Arrange squares, right side up, being sure that colors form a pinwheel as shown. Join squares as follows: Holding 2 squares at a time with right sides together and working through both layers, join **C** in a corner ch-space with an sc; * [ch 3, sc in next ch-space] 5 times *, ch 2, pick up next pair of squares, sc in corner ch-space; repeat from * to * once more. Fasten off. Repeat across squares so that they are joined both vertically and horizontally.

Border
Round 1: With right side facing, join **C** in any corner ch-2 space; ch 1, * (sc, ch 3, sc) all in corner space, [ch 3, sc in next space] 10 times, ch 3; repeat from * around; join with a slip st in first sc.

Round 2: Slip st into corner space, (ch 3, 2 dc, 3 dc) all in same space, * [3 dc in next space] 11 times **, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) all in next corner space; repeat from * around, end at **; join in top of ch-3 – 39 dc on each side between corner spaces. Fasten off.

Round 3: Join **A** in any ch-2 space; ch 1, [3 sc in ch-2 space, sc in each dc to next ch-2 space] 4 times; join – 41 sc between center corner sc. Fasten off.

Round 4: Join **B** in center sc of any corner; ch 1, [3 sc in center corner sc, sc in each sc to next center corner sc] 4 times; join – 43 sc between center corner sc. Fasten off.

Round 5: Repeat Round 4 with A increasing 1 sc at center of each side – 46 sc between center corner sc.

Round 6: Join **C** in center sc of any corner; ch 3, (dc; ch 3; sc in top of dc just made – picot made; 2 dc) all in center corner sc, * dc in next sc, picot, [dc in next 3 dc, picot] 15 times **, (2 dc, picot, 2 dc) all in next center corner sc; repeat from * around, end at **; join. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

FINISHING
Center Pillow Top on purchased pillow. Sew in place with sewing needle and thread.

ABBREVIATIONS: A, B, C = colors A, B, C; **ch** = chain; **dc** = double crochet; **mm** = millimeters; **sc** = single crochet; *** or **** = repeat whatever follows the * or ** as indicated; **[ ]** = work directions in brackets the number of times specified.

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