Christmas Star Throw and Pillow

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Throw measures 42” x 57½”.
Pillow measures 15” x 15½”.

RED HEART® “Super Saver®”: 7 skeins 4313 Aran Fleck A; 2 balls each 376 Burgandy B and 633 Dark Sage C; 1 Ball 631 Light Sage D.

Afghan Crochet Hook: 6mm [US J-10].
Yarn needle, 16” pillow form.

GAUGE: 13 sts = 3” 10 rows = 3” in Afghan st. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.

NOTES: Use separate ball of yarn for each large block of color. Pick up new yarn from under old to twist yarns and prevent holes.

THROW
Block (Make 20)
With Afghan hook and A, ch 31.
Row 1: First Half: Insert hook in 2nd ch from hook, yo, draw yarn through st, *insert hook in next ch, yo, draw yarn through st; repeat from * across – 31 loops on hook;
Second Half of Row: Yo, draw yarn through first loop on hook, *yo, draw yarn through 2 loops on hook; repeat from * across until 1 loop remains on hook, (counts as first loop of next row).
Rows 2-29: Beginning with Row 2, follow Chart through Row 29.
Row 30: Slip st in each vertical st across.
Fasten off.

Block Border
With right side facing and crochet hook, join A in upper right hand corner st.
Round 1: Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in corner st, dc in next 2 sts, [skip next st, dc in next 3 sts] across to 3 sts from corner, skip next st, dc in next st, 2 dc in next st, ch 2, turn to work along side edge, 2 dc in edge of first row, dc in edge of each row to last row, 2 dc in last row, ch 2, turn to work along opposite edge of foundation ch, dc in next st, dc in next 2 sts, [skip next st, dc in next 3 sts] across to 3 sts before next corner, skip next st, dc in next st, 2 dc in next st, ch 2, turn to work along side edge, 2 dc in edge of first row, dc in edge of each row to last row, 2 dc in last row, ch 2, slip st in top of beginning ch.
Fasten off.

FINISHING
Arrange Blocks, 4 Blocks wide by 5 Blocks long, for Throw. Holding wrong sides together, join A in one Block with crochet hook, working through sts of two Blocks, slip st Blocks together. Repeat until all Blocks are joined.

Border
Round 1: With right side facing and crochet hook, join A in upper right hand corner dc, ch 3 (counts as first dc), dc in each dc and ch-space around, working (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in each corner ch-2 space, join with slip st to top of beginning ch.
Round 2: Ch 1, sc in each dc around, working (2 sc, ch 2, 2 sc) in each corner ch-2 space, join with slip st to first sc.
Round 3: Ch 3 (counts as first dc), dc in each sc around, working (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in each corner ch-2 space, join with slip st to top of beginning ch.
Round 4: Ch 1, sc in each dc around, working 4 sc in each corner ch-2 space, join with slip st to first sc.
Round 5: Ch 3 with B, [dc with D in next sc, dc with B in next sc] around, end with D, join with slip st in top of beginning ch.
Cut B.
**PILLOW**

**Back**
With Afghan hook and A, ch 51.

**Row 1:** **First Half:** Insert hook in 2nd ch from hook, yo, draw yarn through st; *insert hook in next ch, yo, draw yarn through st; repeat from * across – 51 loops on hook;

**Second Half of Row:** Yo, draw yarn through first loop on hook, *yo, draw yarn through 2 loops on hook; repeat from * across until 1 loop remains on hook; (counts as first loop of next row).

Repeat Row 1 until 41 rows have been worked.

**Last Row:** Slip st in each vertical st across.
Fasten off.

**Front**
With Afghan hook and A, ch 51.

**Row 1:** **First Half:** Insert hook in 2nd ch from hook, yo, draw yarn through st; *insert hook in next ch, yo, draw yarn through st; repeat from * across – 51 loops on hook;

**Second Half of Row:** Yo, draw yarn through first loop on hook, *yo, draw yarn through 2 loops on hook; repeat from * across until 1 loop remains on hook; (counts as first loop of next row).

Repeat Row 1 until 8 rows have been worked.

Begin Chart

**Next Row:** Work 5 sts, beginning with Row 3, work Chart across 31 sts, work 5 sts.

Continue to work Chart as established until 29 rows have been worked.

Repeat Row 1 for 6 rows.