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What you will need:

AUNT LYDIA'S® Baker's Cotton™: 2 balls 621 Green A, 4 balls 529 Turquoise B.

Susan Bates® Crochet Hook: 3.75mm [US F-5]

11 x 16" (28 x 40.5 cm) purchased pillow (or preferred rectangular pillow), sewing needle and matching thread, yarn needle

GAUGE: 18 sts = 4" (10 cm); Rnds 1–5 measure about 5" (12.5 cm) across, slightly stretched. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.

AUNT LYDIA'S® Baker's Cotton, Art. 159 available in 150 yd (147 m) balls

SHOP KIT



Mod Granny Pillow Front

Crochet is done beginning with two strands of green for the center, then one strand each of green and turquoise, and then two strands of turquoise for the outer ends. This gives you a nice shaded effect and a homey room accent.

Special Stitches

small-Cl (2 double crochet cluster) = Yarn over, insert hook in indicated stitch, yarn over and pull up loop, yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook (2 loops remain on hook); yarn over, insert hook in same stitch, yarn over and pull up loop, yarn over and draw through 2 loops, yarn over, draw through all 3 loops on hook.

CI (3 double crochet cluster) = Yarn over, insert hook in indicated stitch, yarn over and pull up loop, yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook (2 loops remain on hook); [yarn over, insert hook in same stitch, yarn over and pull up loop, yarn over and draw through 2 loops] 2 times, yarn over and draw through all 4 loops on hook.

V-st (V-stitch) = (Sc, ch 3, sc) in indicated stitch. dc2tog-over 3 (double crochet 2 stitches together worked over 3 stitches) = Yarn over, insert hook in next cluster, yarn over and pull up loop, yarn over and draw through 2 loops, skip next ch-1 space, yarn over, insert hook in next cluster, yarn over and pull up a loop, yarn over and draw through 2 loops, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook. shell = (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in indicated space.

Notes

- Pattern is for pillow front and is worked with 2 strands of yarn held together throughout, beginning with center motif.
- Center motif is worked in joined rounds beginning at center. Rounds are worked with right side facing at all times. Do not turn rounds.
- End sections are worked back and forth in rows across two opposite side edges of the center motif to form the piece into a rectangle.
- 4. Size of piece can be adjusted to fit size of preferred purchased pillow.

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Center Motif

With 2 strands of **A** held together, ch 8; join with slip st in first ch to form a ring.

Round 1 (right side): Ch 2, small-Cl, [ch 2, Cl in ring] 7 times, ch 2; join with slip st in small-Cl—8 clusters and 8 ch-2 spaces.

Round 2: (Slip st, ch 1, sc) in first ch-2 space, *ch 5, sc in next ch-2 space; repeat from * around, ch 5; join with slip st in first sc—8 sc and 8 ch-5 spaces.

Round 3: (Slip st, ch 1, 3 sc) in first ch-5 space, *ch 2, 3 sc in next ch-5 space; repeat from * around, ch 2; join with slip st in first sc—24 sc and 8 ch-2 spaces.

Round 4: Slip st in next 2 sts, (slip st, ch 2, dc) in first ch-2 space (beginning ch-2 and dc count as first small-Cl), [ch 2, small-Cl in same ch-2 space] twice, *ch 3, (small-Cl, [ch 2, small-Cl] twice) in next ch-2 space; repeat from * around, ch 3; join with slip st in first dc—24 clusters, 16 ch-2 spaces, and 8 ch-3 spaces.

Round 5: Ch 2, dc in same st as joining (beginning ch-2 and dc count as first small-Cl), ch 3, V-st in next small-Cl, ch 3, small-Cl in next small-Cl, *ch 1, small-Cl in next small-Cl, ch 3, V-st in next small-Cl, ch 3, small-Cl in next small-Cl; repeat from * around, ch 1; join with slip st in first dc—16 clusters and 8 V-sts. Fasten off.

Round 6: With right side facing and 1 strand each of A and B held together, draw up a loop in any small-Cl immediately following a V-st, ch 2, dc in next small-Cl (beginning ch-2 and first dc count as first dc2tog-over-3), ch 4, shell in ch-3 space of next V-st, *ch 4, dc2tog, ch 4, shell in ch-3 space of next V-st; repeat from * around, ch 4; join with slip st in first dc—8 shells, and 8 dc2tog-over-3.

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Round 7: (Slip st, ch 1, sc) in first ch-4 space, *ch 4, shell in ch-2 space of next shell, [ch 4, sc in next ch-4 space] twice, ch 4, sc in ch-2 space of next shell, [ch 4, sc in next ch-4 space] twice; repeat from * around omitting last sc; join with slip st in first sc—4 shells and 24 ch-4 spaces.

Round 8: Slip st in first ch-4 space, ch 2 (does not count as a st here and throughout), 4 dc in same ch-4 space, shell in ch-2 space of next shell, *4 dc in each of next 6 ch-4 spaces, shell in ch-2 space of next shell; repeat from * to last 5 ch-4 spaces; Join with slip st in first dc—4 shells and 96 dc (24 dc across each side between corner shells).

Rounds 9 and 10: Ch 2, [dc in each dc to next ch-2 space, shell in next ch-2 space] 4 times, dc in each dc to end of round; join with slip st in first dc—4 shells and 128 dc at the end of Round 10. Fasten off.

Round 11: With right side facing and 2 strands of B held together, draw up a loop in any dc, ch 2, [dc in each dc to next ch-2 space, shell in next ch-2 space] 4 times, dc in each dc to end of round; join with slip st in first dc—4 shells and 144 dc.

With **B**, repeat Round 9 three more times, or as many times as needed to cover width of pillow. Fasten off.

First End Section

Row 1: With right side facing and 2 strands of B held together, draw up a loop in ch-2 space of any corner shell, ch 2 (does not count as a st here and throughout), dc in same ch-2 space, skip next dc, dc in each dc across to 1 dc before next corner ch-2 space, skip next dc, dc in ch-2 space of shell, turn; leave remaining sts unworked.

Row 2: Ch 2, dc in each dc across, turn.

Repeat Row 2 four more times or until piece is long enough to cover one end of pillow, when center motif is placed at center of pillow.

Fasten off.

Second End Section

With right side facing and 2 strands of **B** held together, draw up a loop in ch-2 sp of first unworked shell following first end section, to work across opposite side of center motif. Work second end section same as first end section, but do not fasten off when section is complete.

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If necessary, turn piece so that right side is facing, ch 1, sc evenly spaced around entire outer edge of pillow front, working 2 sc in each corner; join with slip st in first sc. Fasten off.

FINISHING

Weave in ends. Block piece, if desired. With sewing needle and matching thread, whipstitch pillow front to front of purchased pillow.

ABBREVIATIONS

A, and B = Color A, and Color B; $\mathbf{ch} = \mathbf{ch}$; $\mathbf{dc} = \mathbf{double}$ crochet; $\mathbf{sc} = \mathbf{single}$ crochet; $\mathbf{st(s)} = \mathbf{stitch(es)}$; () = work directions in parentheses into same st; [] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; * = repeat whatever follows the * as indicated.

