





**EASY** 

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## What you will need:

RED HEART® Soft®: 3 balls each 4614 Black **A** and 3729 Grape **C** 

**RED HEART® Boutique** Unforgettable®: 3 balls 3940 Echo B

Susan Bates® Crochet Hook: 3.25 mm [US D-3]

Yarn needle, 2 stitch markers

**GAUGE:** 8 pattern repeats = 4'' (10 cm) (one pattern repeat consists of one chain and one single crochet); 13 rows = 4'' (10 cm). CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.



RED HEART® Soft®, Art. E728 available in solid color 5 oz (141 g), 256 yd (234 m), print 4 oz (113 g), 204 yd (187 m), and heather 4 oz (113 g),



212 yd (194 m) balls

**RED HEART® Boutique** Unforgettable®. Art. E793 available in 3.5oz (100 g), 270 yd (247 m) balls

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# **Around-Town** Ruana

A wonderful go-to piece in every woman's wardrobe, you can count on this ruana to keep you comfy wherever you may go. And even at home you will wrap up in it when you curl up and relax. This amazing stitch pattern drapes perfectly, while being easy to crochet. It's a great gift as it has ageless style and will fit most everyone!

Ruana measures 36" wide x 60" long (91.5 x 152.5 cm).

## **Special Stitch**

reverse sc (reverse single crochet) = Work single crochet in opposite direction from which you would usually work (left to right if you are right-handed and right to left if you are left-handed). This stitch is also known as crab stitch. It creates a rope-like twisted single crochet edging.

## **Special Technique**

**Join with sc =** Place a slip knot on hook, insert hook in indicated stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop, yarn over and draw through both loops on hook.

#### **Notes**

- 1. Ruana is made from 2 rectangular panels sewn together halfway up from bottom edge.
- 2. To change color, work last stitch of old color to last yarn over. Yarn over with new color and draw through all loops on hook to complete stitch. Proceed with new color. Do not cut color not in use; carry along wrong side until next needed.

## **RUANA**

Panel (make 2)

With **A**. ch 241.

Row 1 (right side): Sc in 2nd ch from hook, \*ch 1, skip next ch, sc in next ch; repeat from \* across to last ch, sc in last ch; change to B, turn—121 sc and 119 ch-1 spaces.

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in first sc, \*ch 1, skip next sc, sc in next ch-1 space; repeat from \* across, sc in last sc; change to C, turn.

Row 3: Repeat Row 2; change to A at end of row.

Row 4: Repeat Row 2; change to B at end of row.

Rows 5-73: Repeat last 3 rows 23 times. Do not change to **B** at end of Row 73. Fasten off.

### **FINISHING**

Place a stitch marker at center of top edge of each panel. With A, sew last rows together from first stitch to marked stitch to form back seam; leave remaining stitches unsewn. **Edging Row:** With right side of joined panels facing (back of piece) and working in ends of rows, join **C** with sc in last row, reverse sc in each row across. Fasten off. Repeat Edging Row in ends of rows of short front edge of each panel. Weave in ends.

#### **ABBREVIATIONS**

**A**, **B**, **C** = Color A, Color B, Color C, etc.; **ch** = chain(s); **sc** = single crochet; **st(s)** = stitch(es); \* = repeat whatever follows the \* as indicated.

See next page for schematic and alternate photo







