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RED HEART

CROCHET SKILL LEVEL
EASY

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What you will need:

RED HEART® With Love®: 1 skein 1401 Pewter **A**

RED HEART® Boutique Sassy Fabric™: 1 hank 9946 Grey Chevron **B**

Susan Bates® Crochet Hook: 6mm [US J-10]

Yarn needle, sewing needle and thread to match **B**, fabric sealant (optional)

GAUGE: 11 hdc = 4" (10 cm); 8 rows = 4" (10 cm) with **A**. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain gauge.**

4 MEDIUM — **RED HEART® With Love®,** Art. E400 available in solid color 7oz (198 g), 370 yd (338 m) and multicolor 5oz (141 g), 230 yd (211 m) skeins

6 SUPER BULKY — **RED HEART® Boutique Sassy Fabric™,** E818 available in prints 30 yd (27 m) hanks

Be-Ruffled Shawl

Take your shawl from Plain Jane to fun and Sassy with a pretty fabric ruffle. First crochet the shawl starting at one end, increasing to the center and then decreasing to other end. Then add the ruffle along the lower edges using the holey edge of the ruffle yarn to slip stitch it.

Shawl measures 17½" wide x 51" long (44.5 x 129.5 cm), including ruffle.

Notes
1. Shawl is worked in increasing rows from one side to the center, then in decreasing rows to the opposite side.
2. Hold fabric behind work. Always insert hook in hole from front to back of fabric and work into each hole of fabric to create fullest ruffles.
3. It is easiest to pull from the center of the Sassy Fabric hank rather than from the outside. Slide the paper band to one end, remove the cardboard, and gently pull out the fabric as you work.
4. Prepare the fabric for stitching by folding the cut edge to the underside of the fabric and holding first 2 holes together as one.

Special Stitches
beg ruf slip st (beginning ruffle slip st) = Insert hook in indicated stitch of **A** and in first hole of **B**, draw top edge of hole through all loops on hook.

hdc2tog = [Yarn over, insert hook in next stitch, yarn over and pull up loop] 2 times, yarn over and draw through all 5 loops on hook.

ruf slip st (ruffle slip st) = Insert hook in indicated stitch of **A** and in next hole of **B**, draw top edge of hole through all loops on hook.

Special Technique
Adjustable-ring method = Wrap yarn into a ring, ensuring that the tail falls behind the working yarn. Grip ring and tail firmly between middle finger and thumb. Insert hook through center of ring, yarn over (with working yarn) and draw up a loop. Work stitches of first round in ring, working over both strands (the tail and the ring). After the first round of stitches is worked, pull gently, but firmly, on tail to tighten ring.

Working with fabric = Spread **B** open with holes at top and wider edge at bottom. Continue to spread the fabric open as you work so that you can see the holes of the top edge. Stitches are made by inserting the hook from the front to the back through each hole and pulling the uppermost edge of fabric through the loop(s) on the hook.

SHAWL
With **A**, make an adjustable ring.
Row 1 (right side): Ch 1, 3 hdc in ring, turn—3 hdc.
Row 2: Ch 1, 2 hdc in first st, hdc in each remaining st, turn—4 hdc. Gently pull tail to close ring.
Row 3: Ch 1, hdc in each st across to last st, 2 hdc in last st, turn—5 hdc.
Rows 4–37: Repeat last 2 rows 17 times—39 hdc.
Row 38: Repeat Row 2—40 hdc.
Rows 39–54: Ch 1, hdc in each st across, turn—40 hdc.
Row 55: Ch 1, hdc in each st across to last 2 sts, hdc2tog, turn—39 hdc.

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Row 56: Ch 1, hdc2tog, hdc in each remaining st, turn—38 hdc.
Rows 57–90: Repeat last 2 rows 17 times—4 hdc.
Row 91: Repeat Row 55—3 hdc.
Row 92: Ch 1, working in ends of rows, sc evenly spaced across. Fasten off.

Ruffle

Fold cut edge of **B** so first 2 holes are positioned as one. Insert hook through both "thicknesses". Hold **B** behind work.
Row 1 (right side): With wrong side of Row 92 facing, beg ruf slip st in first st, ruf slip st in each remaining st to last st; cut **B** so 2 holes remain, fold **B** so both holes are positioned as one, working through both "thicknesses", ruf slip st in last st. Fasten off.

FINISHING

Optional Apply fabric sealant to cut edge. Fold cut edge of **B** to wrong side of fabric; with sewing needle and thread, sew in place. Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

A, B = Color A, Color B; **ch** = chain(s); **hdc** = half double crochet; **st(s)** = stitch(es).