## Yarnspirations"'

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CROCHET SKILL LEVEL INTERMEDIATE

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What you will need:
Red Heart ${ }^{\circledR}$ Boutique Unforgettable®: 5 balls 3935 Dragonfly

Susan Bates ${ }^{\circledR}$ Crochet Hook: 5.5 mm [1-9 US]

Yarn needle
GAUGE: $11 \mathrm{sc}=31 / 4{ }^{\prime \prime}(8.5 \mathrm{~cm})$ in pattern; 16 rows $=4^{\prime \prime}(10 \mathrm{~cm})$. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.

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Red Heart ${ }^{\oplus}$ Boutique Unforgettable ${ }^{\oplus}$, Art. E793 available in $3.50 z$ ( 100 g ), 280 yd ( 256 m ) balls

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## Crocheted Gradient Strips Shawl

> You'll love watching the beautiful shades of color appear as you crochet this scarf design. It is crocheted in strips, but each strip is cleverly joined to the previous strip as you crochet (so there are no long seams to sew).

## Shawl measures 43 " from top to bottom $x$

 $613 / 4$ " wide ( $109 \times 157 \mathrm{~cm}$ ).
## Special Stitch

connector sc = Insert hook in indicated stitch or chain, yo, draw up loop, insert hook into first sc of corresponding row of previously made strip, yo, pull through sc of previously made strip and through both loops on hook. sc2tog $=$ [Insert hook in next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop] twice, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook

## Special Technique

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

## Notes

1. Shawl is worked in 19 strips in a "stepped" motif created by increasing and decreasing the lengths of the strips.
2. Strips are joined together using a join-as-you-go technique.
3. In strips \#2 and \#11, the word "turn" appears twice in some rows and not at all in others. Follow these turning directions carefully so the stitching is worked correctly; in the rows without the connector single crochet, the slip st must be stitched first, then the fabric is turned, then the single crochet are worked across, and the fabric is turned again to begin the next row. The slip st at the beginning of the row is not only a joining stitch; it replaces the customary "ch 1 " before the first single crochet.

## SHAWL

## Strip \#1

Ch 12.
Row 1 (right side): Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across, turn- 11 sc .
Row 2: Ch 1, sc in each sc, turn
Repeat Row 2 until piece measures 16 " (40.5 $\mathrm{cm})$ from beginning; end with a wrong side row. Fasten off.

## Strip \#2

Work same as Rows 1 and 2 of strip \#1.
Repeat Row 2 until piece measures 3 " ( 7.5 cm ) from beginning; end with a wrong side row. Note Ensure that the right side of previously made strip is facing when joining current strip Next Row (right side): Ch 1, sc in first 10 sc, work connector sc in last sc of current row and in first sc of Row 1 of previously made strip-10 sc and 1 connector sc.
Next Row: With right side facing, slip st in last sc of Row 2 of previously made strip, turn; with wrong side facing, sc in each sc, turn-11 sc.
Next Row: Ch 1, sc in first 10 sc, work connector sc in last sc of current row and in first sc of corresponding row of previously made strip-10 sc and 1 connector sc. Next Row: With right side facing, slip st in last sc of next row of previously made strip, turn; with wrong side facing, sc in each Sc, turn-11 sc.
Repeat last 2 rows until this strip is equal to top row of previously made strip. Fasten off.

## Strip \#3

Work same as strip \#2, repeating last 2 rows until this strip is 3 " ( 7.5 cm ) short of top row of previously made strip. Fasten off

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Strips \#4-\#10
Repeat strips \#2 and \#3 three times, then repeat strip \#2 once more.

## Strip \#11

Note Ensure that the right side of previously made strip is facing when joining current strip. Ch 12.
Row 1 (right side): Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in next 9 ch , work connector sc in last ch and in first sc of corresponding row $3^{\prime \prime}$ ( 7.5 cm ) from bottom edge of previously made strip-10 sc and 1 connector sc. Row 2: With right side facing, slip st in last sc of next row of previously made strip, turn; with wrong side facing, sc in each sc, turn-9 sc. Row 3: Ch 1, sc in first 10 sc , work connector sc in last Sc of current row and in first sc of corresponding row of previously made strip-10 sc and 1 connector sc. Repeat last 2 rows until this strip is equal to top row of previously made strip. Fasten off.

## Strip \#12

Work same as strip \#11, repeating last 2 rows until this strip measures 3 " $(7.5 \mathrm{~cm})$ longer than previously made strip; end with wrong side row. Fasten off.

## Strips \#13-\#19

Repeat strips \#11 and \#12 three times, then repeat strip \#11 once more.

## Border

Round 1 (right side): With right side facing, join yarn with sc in any sc, sc evenly spaced around, working (sc, ch 2, sc) in each outer corner and sc2tog in each inner corner; join with slip st in first sc, turn.

Round 2: Ch 1, sc in each sc, working (sc, ch 2 , sc) in each ch-2 space and sc2tog in each inner corner; join with slip st in first sc, turn. Round 3: Ch 1 , sc in each sc around, working 3 sc in each ch-2 space and sc2tog in each inner corner; join with slip st in first sc, do not turn. Round 4: Slip st in each st; join with slip st in first st. Fasten off.


## FINISHING

Weave in ends. Lightly steam block.

## ABBREVIATIONS

ch = chain; sc = single crochet; $\mathbf{s p}(\mathbf{s})$ = space(s); st(s) = stitch(es); ( ) = work directions in parentheses into same st; [ ] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; * = repeat whatever follows the * as indicated.


