

WR1028 Crochet Sunflower Afghan



INTERMEDIATE

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Afghan measures approximately 50" x 64".

RED HEART® "Super Saver®": 16 Ounces No. 365 Coffee **CA**, 3 ounces No. 254 Pumpkin **CB**, 5 ounces No. 321 Gold **CC**, 10 ounces No. 406 Med. Thyme **CD**, and 20 ounces No. 313 Aran **CE**.

Crochet Hook: 6mm [US J-10].

Yarn needle.

GAUGE: Square measures approximately 10 1/2" x 10 1/2".

CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.

SPECIAL ABBREVIATIONS:

PST (Puff Stitch): [Yo and draw up a lp] 3 times all in the same st, yo and draw through all 7 lps on hook.

Tr3tog: * [Yo] twice, draw up a lp in sp indicated, [yo and draw through 2 lps on hook] twice; rep from * twice more, yo and draw through 4 lps remaining on hook.

Trpc (Tr Popcorn): Work 4 tr in same st, drop lp from hook, insert hook in top of first tr or ch 4 and into dropped lp, pull lp through.

VST: (dc, ch 1, dc) all in same st.

SQUARE (Make 24): With **CA**, ch 5; join with a sl st to form a ring.

Rnd 1: Ch 1, 12 sc in ring; join with a sl st in first sc.

Rnd 2: Ch 4, skip first sc, [PST in next sc, ch 1, dc in next sc, ch 1] 5 times, PST in next sc, ch 1; join with a sl st in 3rd ch of ch-4. Fasten off.

Rnd 3: Join **CB** in any PST; ch 1, * (sc, ch 3, sc) all in PST, sc in next ch-1 sp, (sc, ch 3, sc) all in next dc, sc in next ch-1 sp; rep from * around; join with a sl st in first sc. Fasten off.

Rnd 4: Join **CC** in any ch-3 sp; ch 1, [(sc, ch 4, Tr3tog, ch 4, sc) all in ch-3 sp] 12 times; join. Fasten off.

Rnd 5: Join **CD** in any Tr3tog; ch 1, [sc in Tr3tog, ch 5] 12 times; join.

Rnd 6: Ch 1, [sc in sc, (3 sc, ch 2, 3 sc) all in ch-5 sp] 12 times; join.

Rnd 7: Ch 1, [sc in sc, ch 4, Trpc in ch-2 sp, ch 4] 12 times; join. Fasten off.

Rnd 8: Join **CE** in first ch-4 sp of Rnd 7; ch 1, * sc in sp, ch 3 (corner sp), sc in next sp, ch 2, VST in next sc, ch 2, [sc in next sp, ch 1, sc in next sp, ch 2, VST in next sc, ch 2] twice; rep from * around; join.

Rnd 9: (Sl st, ch 3, 2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) all in first ch-3 sp, * 3 dc in ch-1 sp of next VST, [3 dc in next ch-1 sp, 3 dc in ch-1 sp of VST] twice **, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) all in corner ch-3 sp; rep from * around, end at **; join in top of ch-3.

Rnd 10: (Sl st, ch 3, 2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) all in first ch-2 sp, * [3 dc between 3-dc groups] 6 times **, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) all in corner sp; rep from * around, end at **; join. Fasten off.

Rnd 11: Join **CA** in ch-2 sp of any corner; ch 3, (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) all in same sp, * [3 dc between 3-dc groups] 7 times **, (3

dc, ch 2, 3 dc) all in corner sp; rep from * around, end at **; join. Fasten off.

MIDDLE STRIP (Make 3): With **CE**, ch 233.

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook, ch 2, skip 2 ch, sc in next ch, [sc in next ch, ch 2, skip 2 ch, sc in next ch] 57 times – 58 ch-2 sps; do NOT turn but now work around as follows:

Rnd 1 (Right Side): Ch 5 (counts as a dc and ch-2), working over the last sc, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in the last ch-2 sp made, * 3 dc in next ch-2 sp; rep from * across to last sp; working over the first sc of Row 1, (3 dc, [ch 2, 3 dc] twice) all in last sp; working on opposite side of Row 1 rep from * to last ch-2 sp; 2 dc in last sp; join with a sl st in 3rd ch of ch-5. Fasten off.

Rnd 2: Join **CA** in first ch-2 sp made on Rnd 1 (part of ch-5); ch 3, (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) all in same sp, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, * 3 dc between 3-dc groups; rep from * across to ch-2 sp of next corner; [(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in ch-2 sp] twice; rep from * across; join in top of ch 3. Fasten off.

FINISHING: Sew squares together in 4 strips of 6 squares each. Sew Middle Strips between Sunflower Strips matching 3-dc groups along side of squares and one 3-dc group over the seam area between squares.

EGDING-Rnd 1: With right side facing, join **CA** in ch-2 corner sp of square at upper right corner; ch 5, 3 dc in same sp, * work 3 dc between 3-dc groups and work 3 dc in each sp before and after seams; rep from * to ch-2 sp of next corner; ** (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) all in ch-2 corner sp, work 3 dc between 3-dc groups to next corner ***; (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) all in corner sp; rep from * around, end at ***; 2 dc in first sp; join in 3rd ch of ch-5.

Rnd 2: (Sl st, ch 1, sc, ch 2, sc) all in first sp, ch 1, skip next dc, sc in next dc, * ch 1, sc between 3-dc groups, ch 1, skip next dc, sc in next dc; rep from * to next ch-2 corner sp; (sc, ch 2, sc) all corner sp; rep from * around; join. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

RED HEART® "Super Saver®", Art.E300 (7 ounce/364 yard solid; 5 ounce/244 yard print and multicolor skeins).

ABBREVIATIONS: **CA, CB, CC**, etc = Colors A, B, C, etc.; **ch** = chain; **dc** = double crochet; **lp** = loop; **mm** = millimeters; **rep** = repeat; **rnd** = round; **sc** = single crochet; **sl** = slip; **sp** = space; **st(s)** = stitch (es); **tr** = treble crochet; **yo** = yarn over; * or ** = repeat whatever follows the * or ** as indicated; [] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified.

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