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# What you will need:

RED HEART® With Love®: 2 skeins each of 1505 Peacock A, 1308 Tan B, 1252 Mango C, 1502 Iced Aqua D, 1907 Boysenberry E, and 1538 Lilac F

Susan Bates® Crochet Hook: 6.5mm [US K-10½]

Yarn needle

GAUGE: One square measures about 8 x 8" [20.5 x 20.5 cm]. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.



RED HEART® With Love®, Art. E400 available in solid color

7oz (198g), 370 yd (338m) and multicolor 5oz (141g), 230 yd (211m) skeins

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# Stitch a Hug Cozy Throw

The timeless appeal of this pretty square is perfect for giving to others to show them you care.

Crocheted squares are great for having several people work on a throw for a friend or relative going through a difficult time or for a group charity project.

Throw measures about 72 x 72" [183 x 183 cm].

### **Special Stitches**

beg-Cl (beginning cluster) = Ch 3, yarn over, insert hook in indicated stitch, yarn over and pull up loop, yarn over, 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, draw through 2 loops] 2 times, yarn over, draw through all 4 loops on hook.

CI (4 double crochet cluster) = Yarn over, insert hook in indicated stitch, yarn over and pull up loop, yarn over, 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, draw through 2 loops] 3 times, yarn over, draw through all 5 loops on hook.

**puff** = Insert hook in indicated stitch and pull up a loop (2 loops on hook), yarn over, insert hook in same stitch and pull up a loop, yarn over and draw through all 4 loops on hook.

#### **Notes**

- 1. Throw is made from 81 squares, arranged in 9 rows of 9 squares each and sewn together.
- 2. Refer to the assembly diagram for arrangement of squares.

# SQUARE (make 81 - 13 with A, 12 each with B, C, and D, and 16 each with E and F)

Ch 5; join with slip st in first ch to form a ring.

Round 1 (right side): Ch 3 (counts as first dc here and throughout), work 15 more dc in ring; join with slip st in top of beginning ch-3—16 dc.

**Round 2:** Ch 1, puff in same st as joining, \*ch 1, puff in next st; repeat from \* around, ch 1; join with slip st in first puff—16 puffs and 16 ch-1 spaces.

**Round 3:** Ch 3, Cl in same st as joining, \*ch 2, skip next ch-1 sp, Cl in next dc; rep from \* around to last ch-1 space, ch 2, sk last ch-1 space; join with slip st in beg-Cl-16 clusters and 16 ch-2 spaces.

Round 4: Slip st in first ch-2 space, ch 4 (counts as tr), 2 tr in same space, \*ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-2 space, ch 1, 3 hdc in next ch-2 space, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-2 space, ch 1\*\*, (3 tr, ch 2, 3 tr) in next ch-2 space (for corner); repeat from \* around ending last repeat at \*\*, 3 tr in same space as beginning, ch 2; join with slip st in top of beginning ch-4—Five 3-st groups across each of 4 sides between corner ch-2 spaces.

**Round 5:** Ch 3 (counts as dc), angle hook backwards slightly to work into last ch-space of previous round, 2 dc in last ch-space of previous round, \*3 dc in each ch-1 space to next corner ch-space \*\*, (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) in corner ch-space; repeat from \* around ending last repeat at \*\*, 3 dc in same space as beginning, ch 3; join with slip st in top of beginning ch-3—Six 3-dc groups across each of 4 sides.

Round 6: Ch 1, angle hook backwards slightly to work into last ch-space of previous round, 3 sc in last ch-space of previous round, \*sc in each dc to next corner ch-3 space \*\*, 5 sc in corner ch-3 space; repeat from \* around ending last repeat at \*\*, 2 sc in same space as beginning; jointiviéh...





slip st in first sc—92 sc. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

## **FINISHING**

With right sides of all squares facing up, arrange squares as shown in Assembly Diagram. Sew squares together using the long tails; hold neighboring squares with right sides together and whip stitch through the outer loops only (so that the sewing stitches are not visible when the afghan is laid flat). Weave in ends.

#### **ABBREVIATIONS**

**A**, **B**, **C**, etc. = Color A, Color B, Color C etc; **ch** = chain; **hdc** = half double crochet; **dc** = double crochet; **sc** = single crochet; **st(s)** = stitch (es); **tr** = treble (triple) crochet; () = work directions in parentheses into same st; \* **or** \*\* = repeat whatever follows the \* or \*\* as indicated.



