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#### FELTED LEAVES GARLAND | CROCHET



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Felted Branch is 3/4" wide x 40" long. Each Felted Leaf is 4" wide x 33/4" long.

**RED HEART® "Eco-Ways Bamboo Wool™":** 3 skeins each 3920 Cayenne **A** and 3650 Dill **B**.

**Crochet Hook:** 5.5mm [US I-9]. Yarn needle. 10 Chenille Stems, 6mm, in same color as **B**. Fabric glue. **GAUGE:** 14 single crochet = 4"; 16 rounds = 4", before felting. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the specified gauge.** 

## SQUARE

(Make 9) With A, chain 21. Row 1: Single crochet in 2nd chain from hook and in each chain across – 20 single crochet. Rows 2-18: Chain 1, turn, single crochet in each single crochet across. Fasten off.

# BRANCH

With **B**, chain 2. **Round 1:** Work 5 single crochet in 2nd chain from hook. **Round 2:** Single crochet in each single crochet around. Continue to repeat Round 2 until piece measures 38" from beginning.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail.

Thread tail through remaining stitches and pull to close. Knot to secure.

# FINISHING

Weave in ends.

## Felting

Place all pieces in washer along with one flat bed sheet. Place settings for hot wash/cold rinse, lowest water level, and heavy duty agitation. Run through full-cycle twice. Lay flat until completely dry, pulling Branch to 40" if necessary.

Using leaf template and sharp scissors, cut out 9 leaves from squares.

## Assembly

Cut each chenille stem in half. Glue half of each stem to back of each Leaf. Allow glue to dry. Wrap stem of each Leaf around Branch at even intervals. Bend leaves to desired position.



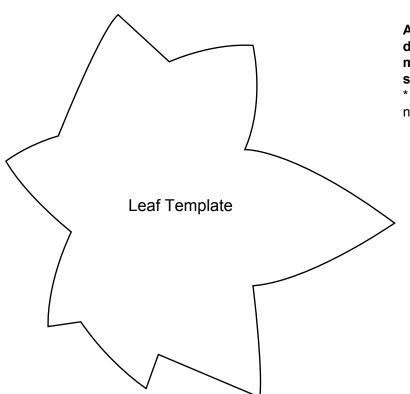
**RED HEART® "Eco-Ways Bamboo Wool™**", Art.E754 1.76 oz (50 g), 87 yard (80 m) ball.



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ABBREVIATIONS: A, B, C = color A, B, C; ch = chain; dc = double crochet; hdc = half double crochet; mm = millimeters; rnd = round; sc = single crochet; st(s) = stitch (es); \* or \*\* = repeat whatever follows the \* or \*\* as indicated; [] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified.