How to Make a Gauge Swatch
Ch 13.
Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining ch across—12 sc.
Rows 2-16: Ch 1, turn; sc in each sc across. Swatch should measure 4" square. Adjust hook size if necessary to obtain correct gauge.

Note: To change colors, work last st of old color until 2 loops remain on hook, drop old color to wrong side, yo with new color and draw through both loops on hook. When colors will be used again in same row, carry colors across wrong side, working over them every few sts across long sections.

PILLOW
Back
With **A**, ch 53.
Row 1 (right side): Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining ch across—52 sc.
Rows 2-66: Ch 1, turn; sc in each sc across. At end of row 66, do not fasten off.

Back Edging
Round 1 (right side): Ch 1, turn; sc in each sc across row 66, rotate work, sc in edge of each row across left edge, rotate work, sc in free loop of each ch across bottom, rotate work, sc in edge of each row across right edge; join with slip st in first sc—236 sc. Fasten off.

Front
(Use **B, C** and **D** for *Pillow 1*; **B, C, D** and **E** for *Pillow 2* or **B, C, D** and **F** for *Pillow 3*)
Starting with **B**, work same as Back using the appropriate chart for changing colors and direction of Rows. Rows numbered on right-hand side are worked with right side facing. Rows numbered on left-hand side are worked with wrong side facing. In areas where consecutive Rows are worked on right side, fasten off first right side Row, then begin next right side Row (and each consecutive right side row) with sc in first sc on right side, fastening off each right side Row until next area with alternating (right side, wrong side) Rows.

Front Edging
Work same as Back Edging, matching edging colors with colors used on Front. Carry along colors not in use at back of work.

Assembly
With wrong sides of Front and Back together and Front

Pillow 1
Pillow 3
Pillow 2

Desert Pillows

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Finished Measurements: 18" square plus edging

RED HEART® "Super Saver®": 1 skein each 360 Café **A**, 330 Linen **B**, 387 Soft Navy **C**, 378 Claret **D**, 656 Real Teal **E**, 406 Medium Thyme **F**.

Crochet Hook: 5.5mm [US I-9]
18" Square pillow form for each pillow, yarn needle.

GAUGE: 12 sc and 16 sc rows = 4". **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.**

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facing, join **A** with slip st at top right-hand corner of Front. Working in back loops only of both thicknesses, sc in each sc along 3 edges, securing them together. Insert pillow form. Sc in each remaining sc along last edge. Join with slip st in first sc. Fasten off.

Braided Edging

With Front facing, join **A** with sc in first sc on any edge, ch 4. Remove hook and allow ch sts to dangle at front of work. Skip next sc and join **B** with sc in next sc, ch 4. Remove hook and allow ch sts to dangle at front of work. *Place **A** loop back on hook. Skip next sc, sc in next sc, ch 4. Remove hook and allow ch sts to dangle at front of work. Place **B** loop back on hook. Skip next sc, sc in next sc, ch 4. Remove hook and allow ch sts to dangle at front of work. Repeat from * around. Place **A** loop back on hook and join with slip st in first **A** sc. Fasten off **A**. Place **B** loop back on hook and join with slip st in first **B** sc. Fasten off **B**.

Note: When working Braided Edging, always make sure chains are twisted in same direction around entire pillow.

Finishing
Weave in all ends.

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RED HEART® "Super Saver®", Art. E300 available in solid colors – 7 oz (198 g), 364 yd (333 m); multi colors – 5 oz (141 g), 244 yd (223 m); flecks – 5 oz (141 g), 260 yd (238 m) skeins.

ABBREVIATIONS: A, B, etc = Color A, Color B, etc.; **ch(s)** = chain(s); **sc** = single crochet; **sl st** = slip stitch; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **yo** = yarn over; * = Repeat directions following * as many times as indicated.

Pillow 1

Pillow 2

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Pillow 3

CHART KEY

- ☐ = Linen (B)
- ■ = Navy (C)
- ■ = Rust (D)
- ■ = Teal (E)
- ■ = Medium Thyme (F)