

Margot Mushroom Pillow

## **FINISHED MEASUREMENTS**

Width: 12" Length: 16"

### **MATERIALS**

**Premier® Yarns** *Anti-Pilling® Everyday® Bulky* (100% Anti-Pilling Acrylic; 3.5 oz/100g, 87yds/80m)

CC1: 1068-19 Cream – 3 balls
CC2: 1068-29 Sangria – 4 balls

CC3: 1068-05 Black – 1 ball

**Hook:** US Size L-11 (8 mm) or sizes needed to obtain gauge

**Notions:** Tapestry needle, polyester stuffing, sewing needle and thread or lighter weight scrap yarn for applique, removable markers

## GAUGE

11 sc x 12 rows = 4"

Save time, check your gauge.

## Skills/techniques used in this pattern:

- Chain, single and half double crochet stitches.
- Working in the round.
- Invisible decrease.
- Applique.
- Working in continuous and joined rounds.

### STITCH GUIDE

Magic Ring: Wrap yarn around your left middle finger twice, leaving a 6" tail. Insert hk under both strands and pull up a lp. Ch 1 and beg working directly into center of ring. This ring can be tightened later by pulling on the yarn tail.

## Inv-dec (invisible single crochet decrease):

Insert hk in front lp only of each of next 2 sts, yo and pull through both sts, yo and pull through 2 lps on hk (1 st dec'd)

#### **PATTERN NOTES**

Mushroom stem and cap are made separately and sewn together.

Join rounds with a slip stitch in first stitch when indicated. When working in continuous rounds, place a marker to indicate beginning of round. Move marker up as each round is completed. Work tightly so that stuffing does not show between stitches.

#### **MUSHROOM**

#### Stem

With CC1, ch 19.

## **Increase Section**

Rnd 1: Sc in second ch from hook, place removable marker on this st, 1 more sc in same ch and next 17 chs, work 1 more sc in last ch and place removable marker on this st; working along other side of ch, sc in same ch and next 17 chs, work 1 more sc in same sc as last – 38 sc. Do not join. Work in continuous rounds. Move removable markers up each rnd.

Rnd 2: \*Sc in marked sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in each sc to 1 sc before marked sc, 2 sc in next sc; rep from \* 1 more time – 4 sc inc'd, 42 sc.

Rnd 3: Sc in each sc around.

**Rnd 4:** Rep Rnd 2 – 46 sc.

**Rnds 5-6:** Rep Rnds 3-4 – 50 sc.

### **Center Section**

Rnds 1-4: Sc in each sc around.

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## **Decrease Section**

Place piece on table and flatten so Increase rnds are at the sides. Place removable marker on each side st with 24 sts in between markers on each side. Sc as needed to one side marker. This will be the new beginning of rnd.

**Rnd 1:** \*Sc in marked side st, **Inv-dec**, sc in each sc to 1 sc before next marked side st, **Inv-dec**; rep from \* 1 more time – 4 sts dec'd, 46 sts rem.

Rnd 2: Sc in each sc around.

**Rnds 3-4:** Rep Rnds 1-2 – 42 sts rem.

**Rnds 5-7:** Rep Rnd 1 – 30 sts rem.

Rnd 8: \*Sc in marked side st, Inv-dec, sc in each sc to next marked side st; rep from \* 1 more time – 2 sts dec'd, 28 sts rem.

Fasten off leaving a long tail for sewing.

## Cap

With CC2, begin with Magic Ring.

### **Increase Section**

Rnd 1: Ch 1, \*sc in ring, place removable marker on this st, 2 sc in ring; rep from \* 1 more time – 6 sc. Do not join, work in continuous spiral.

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each sc around – 12 sc.

Rnd 3: \*2 sc in marked sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in each sc to 1 st before next marked sc, 2 sc in next sc; rep from \* 1 more time – 18 sc.

**Rnds 4-6:** Rep Rnd 3, 3 more times – 36 sc.

Rnd 7: Sc in each sc around.

**Rnd 8:** Rep Rnd 3 – 42 sc.

**Rnds 9-18:** Rep Rnds 7-8, 5 more times – 72 sc.

### **Center Section**

Rnds 1-24: Sc in each sc around.

## **Decrease Section**

Place piece on table and flatten so Increase rnds are at the sides. Place removable marker on each side st with 35 sts in between markers on each side. Sc as needed to one side marker. This will be the new beginning of rnd.

**Setup Rnd:** Sc in blo of each sc around.

**Rnd 1:** \*Sc in marked side st, **Inv-dec**, sc in each sc to 2 sc before next marked side st, **Inv-dec**; rep from \* 1 more time – 4 sts dec'd, 68 sts rem.

**Rnd 2:** Sc in marked side st, [**Inv-dec**] 2 times, sc in each sc to 2 sc before next marked side st, [**Inv-dec**] 2 times; rep from \* 1 more time – 8 sts dec'd, 60 sts rem.

Rnds 3-6: Rep Rnds 1-2, 2 more times – 24 sts dec'd, 36 sts rem.

Rnd 7: Rep Rnd 2 – 8 sts dec'd, 28 sts rem. Fasten off.

## **Mushroom Cap Spots** (make 6)

With CC1, begin with Magic Ring.

**Rnd 1:** Ch 1, 6 sc in ring. Do not join, work in continuous rounds.

**Rnd 2:** 2 sc in each sc around – 12 sc.

Rnd 3: \*2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc; rep from \* around – 18 sc.

Rnd 4: \*2 sc in next sc, sc in next 2 sc; rep from \* around – 24 sc.

**Rnd 5:** Loosely sl st in blo of each sc around. Fasten off.

## Half Mushroom Cap Spots (make 3)

With CC1, begin with Magic Ring.

**Row 1:** Ch 1, 3 sc in ring, turn – 3 sc.

Row 2: Ch 1, 2 sc in each sc across, turn – 6 sc.

**Row 3:** Ch 1, \*2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc; rep from \* across, turn – 9 sc.

Row 4: Ch 1, \*2 sc in next sc, sc in next 2 sc; rep from \* across, turn – 12 sc.

**Row 5:** Ch 1, loosely sl st in blo of each sc across. Fasten off.

Eyes (make 2)

With CC3, begin with Magic Ring.

**Rnd 1:** Ch 1, 6 sc in ring. Do not join, work in continuous rounds.

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each sc around - 12 sc.

**Rnd 3:** Loosely sl st in blo of each sc around. Fasten off.

### **FINISHING**

Sew Half Mushroom Cap Spots to Cap with flat edge aligned with the Set-up Rnd of the decrease section (the blo round). Sew Mushroom Cap Spots to Cap invisibly. Evenly disperse Spots and Half Spots as desired.

Sew Eyes onto Stem invisibly. With CC3, embroider on mouth. With CC1, add Eye details.

Stuff Stem and Cap. Sew Stem to Cap.

Weave in ends.



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## **Abbreviations**

blo back loop only CC contrasting color

ch(s) chain(s)
dec('d) decrease(d)

hdc half double crochet

**hk** hook

inc('d) increase(d)

Ip loop
rem remain
rep repeat(ing)
rnd(s) round(s)
RS right side
sc single crochet

sl st slip stitch
st(s) stitch(es)

Margot Mushroom Pillow shown with Owen Owl and Sophie Snail



