



present crochet pillow

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SUPPLIES & TOOLS:

- TLC® "Amore™": 1 Skein each of two colors desired.
(Pictured in 3907 Red Velvet, 3105 Light Cream and 3002 Black)
- Crochet Hook: 5mm [US H-8].
- 16"x16" pillow form
- Yarn needle.

GAUGE: 13 sts = 4"; 8 rows = 4" in dc. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.

DIRECTIONS:

PILLOW COVER

Ch 48.

Row 1: Dc in 3rd ch from hook (beginning ch-2 counts as first dc), dc in next ch and each ch across — 46 dc.

Row 2: Ch 2 (counts as first dc here and throughout), turn, skip first dc, dc in next dc and each dc across, working last dc in top of turning ch.

Repeat Row 2 until piece measures 32"/81.5cm (approx 64 rows total). Fasten off. Fold piece in half, bringing first row up to meet last row. With yarn needle, whipstitch the side seams together, leaving top open. With yarn needle, backstitch along one side edge, across the bottom fold line, and along the other side. Slip pillow form into place and sew the top opening closed with whipstitch and then backstitch.

BOW BODY

Ch 16.

Row 1: Dc in 3rd ch from hook (beginning ch-2 counts as first dc), dc in next ch and each ch across — 14 dc.

Rows 2–28: Ch 2 (counts as first dc here and throughout), turn, sk first dc, dc in next dc and each dc across, working last dc in top of turning ch.

Fasten off leaving a 15" yarn tail. Fold the piece in half, bringing the first row up to meet the last row, to form a tube. Whipstitch the two ends together with the yarn tail. Flatten the tube and weave an 8" piece of yarn through the center stitches and gently pull tight to gather the fabric.

BOW BAND

Ch 9.

Row 1: Dc in 3rd ch from hook (beginning ch-2 counts as first dc), dc in next ch and each ch across — 14 dc.

Rows 2–11: Ch 2 (counts as first dc here and throughout), turn, skip first dc, dc in next dc and each dc across, working last dc in top of turning ch. Fasten off leaving a 6" yarn tail. Tightly wrap bow band around gathered center of bow body, overlapping the ends of the bow band slightly. Pin in place. With yarn needle and yarn tail, sew bow band around center of bow.

RIBBON (make 2)

Ch 8.

Row 1: Dc in 3rd ch from hook (beginning ch-2 counts as first dc), dc in next ch and each ch across — 6 dc.

Row 2: Ch 2 (counts as first dc here and throughout), turn, skip first dc, dc in next dc and each dc across, working last dc in top of turning ch.

Repeat Row 2 until ribbon, slightly stretched, measures 16". Fasten off.

FINISHING

Using photograph as a guide sew ribbons to pillow with yarn needle and matching yarn. Sew bow to center of pillow at the point where ribbons cross. Weave in all ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

ch = chain

dc = double crochet

mm = millimeters

rnd = round

sc = single crochet

st(s) = stitch (es)

[] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified.

Skill Level 2: Some crochet experience needed