Puff Stitch Decorator Pillows

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DIRECTIONS

Beginner

SIZE

12½ inches square, plus ruffle

MATERIALS

- Crochet cotton size 10: 600 yds orchid pink
- Steel crochet hook size 8
- 2 pink 12-inch ruffled satin pillows
- Sewing needle and thread

GAUGE

First pillow: 7 dc = $\frac{7}{8}$ inch; 3 dc rows = $\frac{7}{8}$ inch

Second pillow: Pattern Rows 3, 2 and 3 = 1 inch; 3 shells = 1 inch

Check gauge to save time.

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

FIRST PILLOW

Puff st: Ch 4, [yo hook, insert hook in 4th ch from hook, yo, draw up a lp] 3 times (7 lps on hook), yo, draw through 6 lps on hook, yo, draw through rem 2 lps on hook.

Shell: [2 dc, ch 3, 2 dc] in indicated st.

V-st: [sc, ch 3, sc] in indicated st.

SECOND PILLOW

Puff st: [Yo hook, insert hook in indicated st, yo, draw up a lp] 5 times (11 lps on hook), yo, draw through 10 lps on hook, yo, draw through 2 lps on hook.

FIRST PILLOW

Row 1 (RS): Ch 98, [dc, ch 3, 2 dc] in 3rd ch from hook, [sk next 4 ch, shell in next ch] rep across, turn. (20 shells)

Row 2: Sl st into ch-3 sp of shell, ch 1, V-st in next ch-3 sp of shell, [puff st, V-st in next ch-3 sp of shell]



rep across, turn.

Row 3: Sl st into ch-3 sp of V-st, ch 3 (counts as first dc throughout), [dc, ch 3, 2 dc] in same ch-3 sp of V-st, [sk puff st, shell in ch-3 sp of V-st] rep across, turn.

Rows 4–47: Rep Rows 2 and 3. At the end of Row 47, do not fasten off.

RUFFLE

Rnd 1 (RS): Working around entire outer edge of piece, working [sc, ch 6, sc] in each corner, [ch 6, sc in

next row] rep across side edge of rows, [ch 6, sc in ch-4 sp, ch 6, sc in same ch at base of shell] rep across opposite side of foundation ch, [ch 6, sc in ch-3 sp of shell, ch 6, sc in sp between shells] rep across Row 47, sl st to join in beg sc.

Rnd 2 (RS): Sl st into ch-6 sp, ch 1, sc in same ch sp, [ch 8, sc in next ch-6 sp] rep around entire outer edge, working [sc, ch 8, sc] in each corner sp, sl st to join in beg sc, fasten off.

FINISHING

Leaving ruffle free, sew pillow top to pillow.

SECOND PILLOW

Row 1 (**RS**): Ch 106, dc in 3rd ch from hook, ch 2, sk next 2 chs, [dc in each of next 7 chs, ch 2, sk next 2 chs] rep across to last 2 chs, dc in each of next 2 chs, turn.

Row 2: Ch 2 (counts as first dc throughout), dc in next dc, ch 2, *sk next ch-2 sp, sk next dc, 2 dc in next dc, ch 1, sk next dc, puff st in next dc, ch 1, sk next dc, 2 dc in next dc, ch 2, sk next dc, rep from * across to last 2 dc, dc in each of next 2 dc, turn.

Row 3: Ch 2, dc in next dc, *ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, dc in each of next 7 sts, rep from * across to last ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk last ch-2 sp, dc in each of next 2 dc, turn.

Row 4: Ch 2, dc in next dc, *ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, dc in next dc, [ch 1, sk next dc, dc in next dc] 3 times, rep from * to last ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, dc in each of next 2 dc, turn.

Row 5: Ch 2, dc in next dc, *ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, dc in next dc, [dc in next ch, dc] 3 times, rep from * across to last ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, dc in each of next 2 dc, turn

Row 6: Rep Row 2.

Row 7: Rep Row 3.

Rep Rows 4–7 until a total of 43 rows are completed. At the end of last rep, do not fasten off.

RUFFLE

Rnd 1 (RS): Working around entire outer edge, work [sc, ch 6, sc] in each corner st, [ch 6, sc in next row] across each side edge and [ch 6, sk 2 sts, sc in next st] rep across opposite side of foundation ch and top edge (last row), sl st to join in beg sc.

Rnd 2 (**RS**): Sl st into ch-6 sp, ch 1, sc in same ch sp, [ch 8, sc in next ch-6 sp] rep around entire outer edge, working [sc, ch 8, sc] in each corner ch-6 sp, sl st to join in beg sc, fasten off.

FINISHING

Leaving ruffle free, sew pillow top to pillow. \gg

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