

Daisy Farm Crafts

Crochet Red Gingham Hot Pad



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MATERIALS

Lily Sugar 'n Cream The Original Yarn (100% cotton, 71 g/2.5 oz, 109 m/120 yds)

1 skein Ecrú, 1 skein Red

Size K/10.5mm hook, scissors, tapestry needle

SIZE

Finished size 8.5 in x 8.5 in

STITCHES

Single Crochet (SC): Insert your hook, yarn over and pull a loop back through, yarn over and pull through two loops.

PATTERN

Before beginning, you need to double up the yarn and make three baseball-size balls. First, pull from the inside of each color and wind red and ecru together. (This will be called the "striped" ball of yarn in the pattern.) Then make one double-stranded ball of red and one double-stranded ball of ecru.

With the striped ball, **chain 22**.

ROW 1: Work 1 SC into the second chain from the hook. SC in the next 2 chains. *Pull through with red on the 3rd SC. Work SC in each of the next 3 chains, working over the striped and carrying it along the row. Pull through with striped on the 3rd SC and work SC in each of the next 3 chains working over red and carrying it along the row. Repeat from * two more times. CH 1 and turn. (Wrap the carried red yarn around the end of the row and crochet over it for the first 3 SC of the next row.)

ROWS 2 - 3: Work SC in each stitch using the same technique in row 1 to change colors. Work striped into striped stitches and red into red. Ch 1 and turn at the end of each row. At the end of the 3rd row, pull through with ecru, chain one and turn, cut red, wrap striped around the end of the row and crochet over it for the first 3 SC of the next row.)

ROWS 4 - 6: With ecru, SC into each of the first 3 striped SC, pull through with striped on the 3rd SC. Work SC into each of the next 3 (red) SC. Ch 1 and turn at the end of every row. Continue alternating striped and ecru every 3 stitches. At the end of Row 6, cut ecru and pull through with striped. (Join the red after the first 3 sc stitches of striped in the next section.)

Repeat the gingham pattern until you have 18 rows or to the size you desire.

Tip: The striped yarn will be used throughout the entire hot pad, it's never cut. Solid red and solid ecru never stack on top of each other, they always alternate side to side and top to bottom with the striped. Cut off and weave in all ends before beginning the border.

BORDER

With ecru, pull up a loop in any corner. work one round of SC, working 2 SC into a stitch and skipping a stitch in between. Work 3 SC into each corner. For the sides work 2 SC at the end of one row and skipping a row in between. Join with a slip stitch to the starting SC and change color to red. Ch 1 and turn with red.

Work one round of red working 1 SC into each SC and working 3 SC's into each corner SC. When returning to the starting SC, before joining with a slip stitch, chain 10. Then slip stitch to the corner stitch to form a circle with the chains. Work approximately 12 SC around the chain (don't work into the chains, just around them.) Work as many SC as needed to make the circle firm. Then slip stitch to the corner, tie off and weave in the ends using your tapestry needle to further secure the circle.

xo, Tiffany