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Crochet Summer Sedge Hot Pad



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MATERIALS

for one hot pad

Lily Sugar 'n Cream Super Size yarn (100% cotton, 113 g/4 oz, 184 m/200 yds)

1 skein Tangerine or Jade Mist

Size H/5.00mm hook, size I/5.50mm hook, tapestry needle, scissors

SIZE

Finished size 9 in x 9 in

Gauge 4 in = 15 st and 12 rows

STITCHES

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

Half Double Crochet (HDC): YO, insert your hook, YO and pull up a loop, YO and pull through three loops.

Double Crochet (DC): YO, insert your hook, YO and pull up a loop, YO and pull through two loops, YO and pull through two loops.

Half Double Slip Stitch (HDSS): YO, insert your hook, pull up a loop and pull directly through two loops on hook.

Slip Stitch (SL ST): Insert your hook, YO, pull up a loop and pull directly through loop on hook.

PATTERN

With size H hook, **chain 24** (or any multiple of 3).

Row 1: In the 2nd chain from the hook, work 1 HDC and 1 DC. *Skip two chains. In the next chain work SC, HDC, DC. Repeat from * across the row until there is one chain left. Work 1 SC into the final chain. CH 1 and turn.

Row 2: Work 1 HDC and 1 DC into the top of the SC of the previous row. *Skip two stitches, then SC, HDC, DC into the next stitch. Repeat from * across the row until there are two stitches left. Skip over one stitch and end in the last stitch with 1 SC. CH 1 and turn.

Repeat row 2 until you have 19 rows or your desired length. Tie off and weave in ends, then make an identical second square.

COMBINING SQUARES

Place squares together evenly. Insert your hook through a corner of both squares and pull up a loop, then CH 1. Work 1 round of SC around the edge of the squares, continuing to insert your hook through both squares. Work 3 SC in each corner. (I worked 19-20 SC on each side, and 21–22 SC on each end.)

At the starting corner, slip stitch into starting stitch. Switch to size I/5.50mm hook. Continue working in same direction and CH 5.

Starting in the 2nd chain from the hook, work HDSS in each of the 4 chains back toward the edge of the squares. *Slip stitch into the next stitch, and in the next stitch. Turn and work HDSS in the back loops of each of the 4 HDSS you just made. CH 1 and turn. Work back down the HDSS in the back loops only. (Be careful not to miss the 4th stitch, it sometimes pulls tight and is hard to see.) Repeat from across * each side.

CORNERS: When you reach a corner space, only slip stitch once, before turning and *working HDSS back up to the top of the border. Return and slip stitch once into the corner space. Repeat from * two more times, then resume slip stitching into each of the next two stitches and working across the side.

(If your corner isn't looking rounded enough, you can slip stitch an additional time into the corner and work up and down an extra time with HDSS, or if it is causing the border to ripple, you can slip stitch into the corner only two times instead of three.)

When you reach the starting corner, work the corner the same way as previous corners. Stop when you get to the top of the border and tie off, then use a tapestry needle to sew corners together. Then tie off, weave in any additional ends and enjoy your hot pad!

If you'd like to add finishing touches to your hot pad, lay it out flat on a towel or foam blocking boards if you have them. Use a spray bottle with water to dampen. Press the hot pad into straight lines, massaging the stitches and adjusting your tension. Pin with straight pins and let it dry.

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