## Daisy Farm Crafts

Crochet Holiday Bobble Tree Hot Pad


## MATERIALS

for one hot pad
Lily Sugar 'n Cream The Original Yarn ( $100 \%$ cotton, $71 \mathrm{~g} / 2.5$ oz, $109 \mathrm{~m} / 120 \mathrm{yds}$ )
1 skein any color
Size H/5.00mm hook, tapestry needle, scissors
Bobble Tree Graph (see last page)

## SIZE

Finished size 8.5 in x 8 in
Gauge 2 in $=7$ st and 8 rows

## STITCHES

Single Crochet (SC): Insert your hook, yarn over (YO) and pull up a loop, YO and pull through two loops on hook.
Double Crochet (DC) Bobble: *YO, insert your hook, YO and pull up a loop, YO and pull through two loops on hook. Repeat from * three more times, inserting your hook into same space. Then YO and pull through all loops on hook.

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

## PATTERN

## First Square

## Chain 22.

Row 1: Starting in the 2nd chain from the hook, work 1 SC in each chain. CH 1 and turn.
Row 2: Work 1 SC in each stitch across the row. CH 1 and turn.
Row 3: Work 1 SC in each of the first two stitches, then *work 1 Bobble in the next stitch, and 1 SC in the next stitch. Repeat from * seven times. Then work one more Bobble into the next stitch, and end the row with a SC in each of the last two stitches. CH 1 and turn.

Row 4: Work 1 SC in each stitch across the row. CH 1 and turn.
Row 5: Work 1 SC in each of the first three stitches, then *work 1 Bobble in the next stitch, and 1 SC in the next stitch. Repeat from * six times. Then work one more Bobble into the next stitch, and end the row with 1 SC in each of the last three stitches. CH 1 and turn.

Row 6: Work 1 SC in each stitch across the row. CH 1 and turn.
Row 7: Work 1 SC in each of the first four stitches, then *work 1 Bobble in the next stitch, and 1 SC in the next stitch. Repeat from * five times. Then work one more Bobble into the next stitch, and end the row with 1 SC in each of the last four stitches. CH 2 and turn.

Row 8: Work 1 SC in each stitch across the row. CH 1 and turn.
Row 9: Work 1 SC in each of the first five stitches, then *work 1 Bobble in the next stitch, and 1 SC in the next stitch. Repeat from * four times. Then work one more Bobble into the next stitch, and end the row with 1 SC in each of the last five stitches. CH 1 and turn.

Row 10: Work 1 SC in each stitch across the row. CH 1 and turn.
Row 11: Work 1 SC in each of the first six stitches, then *work 1 Bobble in the next stitch, and 1 SC in the next stitch. Repeat from * three times. Then work one more Bobble into the next stitch, and end the row with 1 SC in each of the last six stitches. CH 1 and turn.

Row 12: Work 1 SC in each stitch across the row. CH 1 and turn.
Row 13: Work 1 SC in each of the first seven stitches, then *work 1 Bobble in the next stitch, and 1 SC in the next stitch. Repeat from * two times. Then work one more Bobble into the next stitch, and end the row with 1 SC in each of the last seven stitches. CH 1 and turn.

Row 14: Work 1 SC in each stitch across the row. CH 1 and turn.
Row 15: Work 1 SC in each of the first eight stitches, then *work 1 Bobble in the next stitch, and 1 SC in the next stitch. Repeat from * one time. Then work one more Bobble into the next stitch, and end the row with 1 SC in each of the last eight stitches. CH 1 and turn.

Row 16: Work 1 SC in each stitch across the row. CH 1 and turn.

Row 17: Work 1 SC in each of the first nine stitches, then work 1 Bobble in the next stitch, and 1 SC in the next stitch. Then work one more Bobble into the next stitch, and end the row with 1 SC in each of the last nine stitches. CH 1 and turn.

Row 18: Work 1 SC in each stitch across the row. CH 1 and turn.
Row 19: Work 1 SC in each of the first ten stitches, then work 1 Bobble in the next stitch. Work 1 SC in each of the next ten stitches. CH 1 and turn.

Rows 20-21: Work 1 SC in each stitch across the row. CH 1 and turn.
Second Square

## Chain 22.

Row 1: Starting in the 2nd chain from the hook, work 1 SC in each chain. CH 1 and turn.
Rows 2-21: Work 1 SC in each stitch across the row. CH 1 and turn.

## COMBINING SQUARES

Place squares together evenly with Bobbles facing toward you. 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 about 20 or 21 SC on each side.)

At the starting corner, slip stitch into starting stitch. Continue working in same direction and CH 4 .
Starting in the 2nd chain from the hook, work HDSS in each of the 3 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 3 HDSS you just made. CH 1 and turn. Work back down the HDSS in the back loops only. (Be careful not to miss the 3rd 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 slipstitch 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 slipstitch 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.

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.


