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## What you will need:

**RED HEART® Super Saver®:** 1 skein each 979 Mistletoe A, and 311 White B

**Susan Bates® Crochet Hook:** 6 mm [US J-10]

Extra hooks in neighboring sizes (see notes)

Yarn needle

**GAUGE:** 13 sts (including ch sts) = 4" (10 cm); 13 rows = 4" (10 cm) in Moss Stitch. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE.** Use any size hook to obtain the gauge given.



**RED HEART® Super Saver®, Art. E300** available in solid color 7 oz (198 g), 364 yds (333 m); stripes, prints, multis and heathers 5 oz (141 g), 236 yds (215 m); flecks 5 oz (141 g), 260 yds (238 m) skeins



# Planned Pooling Holiday Scarf

Get ready for the Christmas season with a plaid scarf that uses the planned pooling crochet technique. It's the perfect accessory for all ages and will express the spirit of the season in a clever, quick way!

**Scarf measures 4½ x 68" (11.5 x 172.5 cm)**

## NOTES

1. It is highly recommended that you watch Marly Bird's tutorial videos on planned color pooling before beginning this project.
2. You may have to tighten or loosen some stitches as you go in order to keep the color pooling intact. Keep a variety of hook sizes on hand to help resize your stitches.
3. Different dye lots of the same colorway may change the number of stitches obtained in any given color. Count the number of stitches YOU get to work through one full sequence, as well as in each color section, and maintain that throughout the pattern.

## MOSS STITCH

Ch an even number of sts.

**Row 1:** Sk 3 ch, sc in next ch, \* ch 1, skip 1 foundation ch, sc in next ch; repeat from \* to end, turn.

**Row 2:** Ch 2 (counts as a stitch now and throughout), sc in next ch-1 space, \* ch 1, sc in next ch-1 space; repeat from \* to end finishing with a sc in last ch-3 space, turn.

**Row 3:** Ch 2 (counts as a stitch now and throughout), sc in next ch-1 space, \* ch 1, sc in next ch-1 space; repeat from \* to end finishing with a sc in last ch-2 space, turn.

Repeat Row 3 only for Moss st.

## SCARF

With **A**, ch through one full color sequence, with the last loop on hook being the first loop of a new color just after a color change in the yarn.

**Row 1 (right side):** Skip 3 ch (counts as a st), sc in the 4th ch from hook, \* ch 1, sc around the foundation ch (instead of going into a ch st); repeat from \* until 1 full color sequence has been completed on this row. Count the number of sc made in each individual color in the colorway and note it down. Undo half the st repeats (sc, ch 1), rounded down, then undo one more repeat. Turn.

**Row 2 (wrong side):** Ch 2 (counts as a st now and throughout), sc in next ch-1 space, \* ch 1, sc in next ch-1 space; repeat from \* to end finishing with a sc in last ch-3 space, turn.

**Note:** As you work this row and all remaining rows, you MUST get the same number of sc in each color as you did in row 1 before pulling them out in order to maintain the planned color pooling. Each row will go through one half of a full color sequence, and so every 2 rows will go through one full color sequence. Change hook sizes, or actual st used, to get the correct color in place. If you use

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the same number of sts per color that you counted on Row 1 over the course of 2 rows, it will work out.

**Row 3 (right side):** Ch 2 (counts as a st now and throughout), sc in next ch-1 space, \* ch 1, sc in the next ch-1 space; repeat from \* to end, finishing with a sc in last ch-2 space, turn.

**Note:** The color of the sts on this row will shift to the left or right by 1 st from the previous right side row depending on the colorway and if you are right or left handed. It doesn't matter which direction the stitch shifts as long as it is off-set by 1.

**Row 4 (wrong side):** Ch 2 (counts as a st now and throughout), sc in next ch-1 space, \* ch 1, sc in the next ch-1 space; repeat from \* to end, finishing with a sc in last ch-2 space, turn.

**Note:** The color of the sts on this row will shift to the left or right by 1 st from the previous wrong side row depending on the colorway and if you are right or left handed. It doesn't matter which direction the stitch shifts as long as it is off-set by 1.

Repeat Rows 3 and 4 until scarf measures 68" (172.5 cm) or to desired length, ending on a Row 4 (wrong side row).

## FINISHING

Squish or stretch the sts on foundation chain to match the width of the rest of the Scarf. You can slide the sts around along the foundation chain, as with an adjustable ring. Unravel unused foundation ch sts and weave in yarn tail to secure foundation.

## Edging

With right side facing and working across foundation edge, join **B** with slip st in foundation ch st under last sc of Row 1.

**Round 1 (right side):** Ch 2 (counts as a st now and throughout), sc once more in same ch, \* ch 1, sc in next space between sc of Row 1; repeat from \* to ch-3 corner space, (ch 1, sc) 3 times in corner space, rotate Cowl to work along long side edge, (ch 1, sc) in each ch space at edge of every other row to corner sc, (ch 1, sc) twice around corner sc, rotate Cowl to work along top edge, (ch 1, sc) in each ch-1 space to corner ch-2 space, (ch 1, sc) 3 times in corner space, rotate Cowl to work along long side edge, (ch 1, sc) in each ch space at edge of every other row to corner sc, (ch 1, sc) twice around corner sc, ch 1, join with sl st in beginning ch 2. Fasten off.

Weave in all loose ends.

## ABBREVIATIONS

**A, B** = Color A, Color B; **ch** = chain; **sc** = single crochet; **st(s)** = stitch (es); \* **or** \*\* = repeat whatever follows the \* or \*\* as indicated.

