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Holiday Pillow with Stockings

This clever pillow is a knitterly way to add warmth to your holiday décor! Knit it in any color you enjoy for your home's color theme.

What you will need:

RED HEART® With Love®: 2 skeins 1308 Tan A, 1 skein 1914 Berry Red B.

Susan Bates Knitting Needles: 5mm [US 8] and 5mm [US 8] crochet hook

Yarn needle, Sewing needle and thread to match B
1 - 18" x 18" [46 cm x 46 cm] poly pillow form

GAUGE: 16 sts = 4" [10 cm]; 24 rows = 4" [10 cm]; in Stockinette stitch. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE.** Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.



RED HEART® With Love®, Art. E400 available in solid color 7 oz (198g), 370 yd (338m) and multicolor 5 oz (141g), 230 yd (211m) skeins

Pillow measures: 18" x 18" [46 cm x 46 cm]

Special Stitches

K2tog/P2tog = Knit 2 stitches together/purl 2 stitches together. To knit/purl 2 stitches together, insert the right needle into two stitches at the same time and knit or purl. This will result in a decrease of one stitch. This decrease will slant to the right.

SI 1 = Slip 1. To slip one stitch, insert the right needle into the next stitch on the left needle as if you were knitting the stitch. Pull this stitch off the left needle. The stitch is now on the right needle and twisted.

SSK = Slip, slip, knit. Slip the first stitch as if to knit, then slip the next stitch as if to knit. Insert the left needle into the front of both slipped stitches and knit them together. This decrease will slant to the left.

TBL = Through the back loop. Knit into the back of the stitch instead of the front of the stitch.

NOTES

1. Stocking embellishments are knit flat and sewn together.
2. To make an I-Cord Cast on 3 sts. Slide stitches to opposite side of needle. The yarn should be coming out of the left stitch. Pull the yarn from behind. *K3. Slide stitches across needle. Repeat from * until desired length. To bind off, thread yarn through yarn needle and pull it through all 3 stitches 2 or 3 times, fasten off.

PILLOW

Make 2 (Front and Back)

With **A**, cast on 72 sts.

Row 1 (Right Side): Knit.

Row 2 (Wrong Side): Purl.

Continue working in Stockinette st (knit on right side, purl on wrong side) until piece measures 18" [46 cm] from beginning.

Bind off all sts.

STOCKINGS

Make 3

Cuff

With **B**, cast on 23 sts.

Rows 1-4: Knit.

Row 5 (Right Side): Knit.

Row 6 (Wrong Side): Purl.

Continue working in Stockinette st (knit on right side, purl on wrong side) until piece measures 3" [7.5 cm] from beginning, ending on a wrong side row.

Heel Flap

Next Row (Right Side): K6, turn, leaving remaining sts unworked.

Work 9 rows in Stockinette st on the 6 sts, ending on a wrong side row.

Next Row (Right Side): K2, k2tog, k2, turn.

Next Row (Wrong Side): SI 1, p4, turn.

Next Row (Right Side): K2, k2tog, k1, turn.

Next Row (Wrong Side): SI 1, p3, turn.

Next Row (Right Side): K1, k2tog, k1, don't turn.

Pick up and knit 7 sts along side of heel flap, knit across all remaining sts – 27 sts.

Next Row (Wrong Side): P6, turn.

Work 9 rows in Stockinette st on the 6 sts, ending on a right side row.

Next Row (Wrong Side): P2, p2tog, p2, turn.

Next Row (Right Side): SI 1, k4, turn.

Next Row (Wrong Side): P2. P2tog, p1, turn.

Next Row (Right Side): SI 1. K3, turn.

Next Row (Wrong Side): P1, p2tog, p1, don't turn.

Pick up and purl 7 sts along side of heel flap, purl across remaining sts – 31 sts.

Instep

Row 1: K8, k2tog, k11, ssk, k8 – 29 sts.

Row 2: P7, p2tog tbl, p11, p2tog, p7 – 27 sts.

Row 3: K6, k2tog, k11, ssk, k6 – 25 sts.

Row 4: P5, p2tog tbl, p11, p2tog, p5 – 23 sts.

Continued...

Row 5: k4, k2tog, k11, ssk, k4 – 21 sts.
Work even in Stockinette st for 2” [5 cm],
ending on a wrong side row.

Toe

Next Row (Right Side): K1, k2tog, k5, k2tog,
k1, ssk, k5, ssk, k1 – 17 sts.

Next Row (Wrong Side): Purl.

Next Row (Right Side): Knit.

Next Row (Wrong Side): Purl.

New Row (Right Side): K1, k2tog, k3, k2tog,
k1, ssk, k3, ssk, k1 – 13 sts.

Cut yarn leaving a 15” [38 cm] tail. With yarn
needle, draw tail through remaining sts twice,
fasten securely. Sew bottom and side seam.
With crochet hook, chain 6 and attach at top
of stocking near seam. Fasten to stocking to
form a loop. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Chain

With **B** and crochet hook, make a chain
that measures 28” [71 cm]. I-cord may be
substituted for chain, see instructions under
NOTES.)

FINISHING

Block front and back pillow pieces lightly to
remove all wrinkles and flatten curling edges.
With matching thread and sewing needle, sew
chain or I-cord to pillow front using photo as
a guide. Sew stocking loops to chain/I-cord
using photo as a guide. Tack down toe on
stockings to pillow top. With right sides facing,
place front and back pieces together. Using
yarn needle, stitch seams together on three
sides. Turn piece right side out and insert
poly pillow form. Stitch the fourth side seam
closed. Weave in all ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

A = Color A; **B** = Color B; **K** = knit; **mm** =
millimeters; **P** = Purl; **sl** = slip; **sl st** = slip
stitch; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **St st** = Stockinette
stitch; **tog** = together; **[]** = work directions
in brackets the number of times specified; *****
or ****** = repeat whatever follows the ***** or ****** as
indicated.

