



Striped Travel Pillow

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This crocheted travel pillow is first made in the round and then the big circle is folded in half and stitched together to form this rounded horseshoe shape. It is fun and easy to make and would make your neck feel better on a long road trip!

Materials Needed

Worsted weight acrylic yarn in 2 colors. 3oz camel and 2oz burgundy Red Heart Super Saver was used in the example.
Size H/8 or 5mm aluminum crochet hook
Polyester fiberfill
Yarn needle for weaving in ends

Yarn Thickness: 4mm

Gauge: 4dc=1"

Finished Size: 12" diameter, 3½" thick

Skill Level: Intermediate

Instructions

RND 1: With camel, Ch100. Yes one hundred. Being careful not to twist ch, join w/slst to first ch to form a large loop. Ch3. Dc in same st as slst. Dc in next ch. *2dc in next ch. Dc in next ch. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to top of ch3. (150 dc)

RND 2: Ch3. Dc in same st as slst. Dc in each of the next 2 dc. *2dc in next dc. Dc in each of the next 2 dc. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to top of ch3. (200 dc.) Drop camel but do not fasten off.

RND 3: Join burgundy in same st as slst. Ch1. Sc in same st as slst. Sc in each st around. Join w/slst to first sc. Drop burgundy and pick up camel.

RND 4: Ch3. Dc in each sc around. Join w/slst to top of ch3. Drop camel and pick up burgundy.

RND 5: Repeat RND 3.

RND 6: Repeat RND 4.

RND 7: Repeat RND 3.

RND 8+9: Ch3. Dc in each st around. Join w/slst to top of ch3. Fasten off and weave all ends into back of work.



Assembly

Step 1: Fold work in half so the seam where you started each round is not on the fold but anywhere else. Also make sure the back sides are facing each other. This is will be the back of the pillow when you are done. You will work on the inside circle of the pillow first. Lay the pillow in front of you so the inside circle is on the bottom and your joined seam is on the back side. Pick up the bottom left corner and join the burgundy yarn through both layers of the starting chain. Ch1. Work 1 sc in each st

across the inside circle. There should be 48 sc in all because when you fold it, there will be one stitch on each end of the fold which you will not stitch on. When you are done, fasten off and weave ends into inside of work.



Step 2: Lay the work down in front of you again in the same way. Join burgundy yarn in upper right corner on the stitch to the left of the fold through both layers, (all 4 loops) Sc in each st across but as you are working, stuff the pillow tightly. This is the best way to work, it is easier to stuff it tightly this way. When you get to the other end, Fasten off and weave ends into back of work.