SQUISH – PILLOW

Super soft color blocked throw cushion

When it comes to marathon reading sessions, I have to set the mood. A warm drink, my comfy pants, and my favorite pillow, the Squish Pillow. It features a sunny palette with bold color blocking and a textured stitch to draw your eye. Finish with perpendicular seams for a playful shape. The squish on this pillow is so addictive, you'll be making personalized ones for each member of your family!

The Squish Pillow is part of the Happy Place pattern collection, designed to complement Happy Place Yarn. Find even more patterns and get the yarn needed for this project from Hobbii's website.

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PROJECT SUPPLIES

YARN: Hobbii Happy Place, DK weight (#3); 50% wool, 50% cotton [273 yards (250 m) per 100g skein].

- A – 03 Solid, 170 yards/156 m (1 skein)
- B – 01 Solid, 170 yards/156 m (1 skein)
- C – 12 Solid, 170 yards/156 m (1 skein)
- D – 07 Solid, 170 yards/156 m (1 skein)

HOOK: US 7 4.5mm crochet hook

NOTIONS & SUPPLIES: Scissors, tapestry needle, locking stitch markers, standard pillow case, 14 ounces / 400 g fiber fill

BUY THE YARN HERE:
https://shop.hobbii.com/squish-pillow

FINISHED DIMENSIONS

SIZE: 15" (38 cm) wide along seam, 35" (89 cm) around, 18" (46 cm) long

GAUGE: 4" x 4" (10 x 10 cm) = 13 dc x 16 rows in 4-row pattern repeat.

ABBREVIATIONS

ch	chain	sc	single crochet
dc	double crochet	sk	skip
fpdc	front post double crochet	sl st	slip stitch
fsc	foundation single crochet	st	stitch
rep	repeat	tch	turning chain
RS	right side	WS	wrong side

PATTERN DIRECTIONS

NOTES

- Special Stitch – Foundation single crochet *(fsc)*. Find a helpful tutorial video **HERE**.

- Starting ch 2 counts as double crochet.

- When working Pattern Rounds, skip the sc that's on top of the dc being used for the fpdc.

- Pattern is worked in the round and it's easy to lose your place in the pattern repeat. I placed a locking stitch marker on each Round 1 repeat to help keep my place.

SETUP ROUNDS

ROUND 1 (WS): With A, fsc 111, without twisting the strand join with a sl st in first sc to work in the round, turn. (111 sts)

ROUND 2 (RS): Ch 2, sk st at base of ch, dc in each st around, join with sl st in top of tch, turn.

ROUND 3: Ch 1, sc in each st around, join with sl st in first sc of round, turn.

PATTERN ROUNDS

ROUND 1: Ch 2, sk the st at the base of ch, (fpdc the dc 2 rounds below, dc in next st) around, join with sl st in top of tch, turn.

ROUND 2: Ch 1, sc in each st around, join with sl st in first sc of round, turn.

ROUND 3: Ch 2, sk st at the base of ch, dc in next st, (fpdc the dc 2 rounds below, dc in next st) to last st, dc 1, join with sl st in top of tch, turn.

ROUND 4: Ch 1, sc in each st around, join with sl st in first sc of round, turn.

ROUNDS 5-12: Rep Pattern Rounds 1-4 two more times (15 rounds total, including Setup Rounds). Change to B at the end of Round 12. Fasten off A.

Rep Pattern Rounds 1-4 four times with B for a total of 16 rounds. Then do the same for C and finally D. When D section is complete, fasten off leaving a long tail for seaming.

ASSEMBLY & FINISHING

- Weave in all ends.

- Thread a long length of A onto a tapestry needle. Press foundation round flat and whip stitch seam closed. Weave in end.

- Insert standard pillow case into the pillow. Fill liberally with fiber fill. Filling should be lofty and the crocheted case will stretch slightly. Do not over fill – pillow should not be firm! Fold the top of the pillow case into itself to hold the filling.

- Thread the remaining tail of D onto a tapestry needle. Press final round closed so that it is perpendicular to the bottom seam. Whip stitch seam closed. Weave in end.

- Massage pillow to distribute filling evenly.

- OPTIONAL: Lightly steam the entire pillow for added softness.