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Watermelon Pad (Crochet)

with YouTube Help Video

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This crochet watermelon pad works great as a potholder, hot pad, or general kitchen pad. It is especially good for using up scrap yarn. Check out the how-to video on the Naztazia YouTube channel here: https://youtube.com/naztazia And feel free to Pin photos or check out other info at: https://naztazia.com

Terminology:

CH = Chain	DC = Double Crochet	HDC = Half Double Crochet
RPT = Repeat	SK = Skip	SLST = Slip stitch
ST = Stitch		

Size/Gauge:

Size: 10" diameter. Gauge: 12 STs & 6 RNDs = 4" SQ in DC.

Materials:

125 yards worsted weight yarn. Sample used Sugar 'n Cream 100% cotton yarn. Colors: red (or pink) 90 yds, green 20 yds (either 1 green or light & dark green), white 10 yds, black 5 yds. Size H 5 mm crochet hook. Yarn needle, scissors.

Instructions:

Watch the YouTube tutorial video here: https://youtube.com/naztazia Look for "Watermelon Pad."

MAKE 2: With red/pink, make a slipknot and CH 4. SLST CH 2. NOTE: All RNDs begin with a CH 2 (unless otherwise noted), which does not count as a stitch. Also, all RNDs end with slip stitch to the first ST, not the CH-2.

RND 1: 12 DC in ring. SLST to first DC. Pull ring to close. (12 STs)

RND 2: 2 DC in each ST. (24 STs)

RND 3: RPT [2 DC, 1 DC] around. (36 STs).

RND 4: RPT [2 DC, 1 DC, 1 DC] around. (48 STs).

RND 5: RPT [2 DC, 1 DC, 1 DC, 1 DC] around. (60 STs).

RND 6: Switch to white color. RPT [2 DC, 1 DC in next 4 STs] around. (72 STs).

RND 7: CH 1 instead of CH 2. Switch to (light) green color. RPT [2 HDC, 1 HDC in

next 5 STs] around. (84 STs). Fasten off, weave in ends.

With 2 strands of black yarn, randomly embroider seeds in the center watermelon section.

EDGING: Place both pieces together - wrong sides together, and right sides facing outwards. With same color green or a darker green, place a slip knot on hook. Working through both layers, attach yarn with a slip stitch to any of the stitches along the edge. CH 1. Make 1 HDC around. If desired, add a CH 10 after the SLST for a hanging ring. Also, you can add 20 SCs in the CH-10 ring to make it thicker. Fasten off and weave in all ends.

