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What you will need:
RED HEART ${ }^{\text {® }}$ Scrubby Sparkle ${ }^{\text {m" }}$ : 1 ball each 8929 Strawberry A and 8690 Avocado B

Susan Bates ${ }^{\circ}$ Crochet Hook: 5.5 mm [US I-9]

Yarn needle, 8 stitch markers (optional), $1 / 2$ yd ( $1 / 2 \mathrm{~m}$ ) black worsted weight yarn

GAUGE: Gauge is not critical for this project.

## Buy Yarn

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RED HEART ${ }^{\circ}$ Scrubby Sparkle ${ }^{\text {m", }}$, Art. E851 available in 3 oz ( 85 g ), 174 yd ( 159 m) balls


## Strawberry Sparkle Scrubby

Since this scrubby is a double thickness, it's a nice sturdy scrubber for any cleaning task (and you can embroider the seeds while hiding the thread between the layers). Crochet it to help you in the kitchen, then throw it in the washer and air dry.

Strawberry measures $51 / 2$ " wide x $61 / 2$ " long ( $14 \times 16.5 \mathrm{~cm}$ ).

## Notes

1. Strawberry is made with 2 layers for durability. Leaf cap is a single layer folded and joined to top of strawberry.
2. You may prefer to place a stitch marker on beginning chains of each oddnumbered row of leaf cap so chains are more visible in Row 17.

## Special Stitch

hdc2tog = [Yarn over, insert hook in next stitch, yarn over and pull up loop] 2 times, yarn over and draw through all 5 loops on hook.
sc2tog = [Insert hook in next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop] twice, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

## SCRUBBY

Strawberry
Side 1
With A, ch 9 .
Row 1 (right side): Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across, turn -8 sc .
Row 2: Ch 1, sc in first st, 2 sc in next st, sc in $4 \mathrm{sts}, 2 \mathrm{sc}$ in next st, sc in last st, turn-10 sc.
Row 3: Ch 1 , sc in first 4 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in last st, turn- 12 sc. Row 4: Ch 1, sc in first 5 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in last st, turn- 14 sc. Row 5: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn
Row 6: Ch 1, sc in first 6 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in last st, turn- 16 sc . Row 7: Repeat Row 5.
Row 8: Ch 1, sc in first st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st, [2 sc in next st] twice, sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in last st, turn-22 sc.

Row 9: Repeat Row 5.
Row 10: Ch 1, sc in first st, sc2tog, sc in next 16 sts, sc2tog, sc in last st, turn-20 sc.
Row 11: Repeat Row 5.
Row 12: Ch 1 , sc in first 2 sts, [sc2tog, sc in next 5 sts] twice, sc2tog, sc in last 2, turn17 sc .
Row 13: Repeat Row 5.
Row 14: Ch 1, sc in first st, sc2tog, sc in next 11 sts, sc2tog, sc in last st, turn- 15 sc .
Row 15: Ch 1, sc in first 2 sts, sc2tog, sc in
next 7 sts, sc2tog, sc in last 2 sts, turn- 13 sc .
Row 16: Repeat Row 5.
Row 17: Ch 1, sc in first 2 sts, sc2tog, sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog, sc in last 2 sts, turn- 11 sc.
Row 18: Repeat Row 5.
Row 19: Ch 1, skip first st, sc in next 7 sts,
sc2tog, sc in last st, turn-9 sc.
Row 20: Ch 1, skip first st, sc in next 6 sts,
sc2tog, turn-7 sc.
Row 21: Ch 1, sc in first 2 sts, sc2tog, sc in last 3 sts, turn- 6 sc .
Row 22: Ch 1, [sc2tog] 3 times. Fasten off.

## Side 2

Work same as Side 1; do not fasten off at end of last row.


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## Edging

Round 1: With wrong sides of Sides held together and working through both thicknesses, ch 1, turn, 3 sc in each st of Row 22; working in ends of rows, work 21 sc evenly spaced down first side; working in opposite side of foundation ch, sc in first 2 ch, skip next ch, 3 sc in next ch, skip next ch, sc in next 2 ch, skip last ch; working in ends of rows, work 19 sc evenly spaced up 2nd side; join with slip st in first sc. Fasten off.

## Leaf Cap

With B, ch 4.
Row 1: Hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across, turn-3 hdc.
Row 2: Ch 2 (counts as first hdc here and throughout), skip first st, hdc2tog-1 leaf. Row 3: Ch 4, hdc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across, turn.
Row 4: Repeat Row 2.
Rows 5-16: Repeat last 2 rows 6 times- 8 leaves at end of Row 16.
Row 17: Ch 1, working in opposite side of foundation ch of each odd-numbered row, sc in each ch across, turning every other leaf so foundation ch are facing, turn- 24 sc .
Row 18: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn
Row 19: Ch 1, sc in first 2 sts, sc2tog, [sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog] 5 times, turn- 18 sc.
Row 20: Ch 1, sc in each st across. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

## FINISHING

With points of leaves facing downwards and top edges even, fold leaf cap in half and wrap around strawberry. Working through all 3 thicknesses, sc in each st across top row- 9 sc . Fasten off, but do not cut; use remaining length of tail to tack points of eaves in place.
For seeds, with black yarn, embroider $1 / 4 "(6.35 \mathrm{~mm})$ straight stitches randomly through both layers, drawing the yarn between the layers as needed to position seeds wherever desired

Weave in ends.

## AbBREVIATIONS

A, B = Color A, Color B; ch = chain(s); hdc = half double crochet; $\mathbf{s c}=$ single crochet; st(s) = stitch(es); [ ] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified.

