Waffle Stitch Pillow



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Materials

- 2 skeins Big Twist Yarn in Mustard, (Or any color of a worsted weight yarn.)
- Size H8 5.00 mm crochet hook.
- 20-22 inch invisible zipper in Golden Tan.
- 1 yard of cotton muslin.
- 20 inch pillow form or Fiberfil.

Gauge

15 Stitches X 11 Rows.

Pattern used for gauge: Double crochet

Sizes

Size: 20" X20" pillow.

abbreviations

CH – Single Crochet

FPDC-- Front Post Double Crochet

DC – Double Crochet

Notes

This Cozy throw pillow uses the waffle stitch to create texture and decorative interest. The pattern combines crocheting and sewing in pillow construction with the addition of a zipper for ease of washing. Let's get started.

Special Stitches

FRONT POST DOUBLE CROCHET



Yarn Over



Yarn over and Pull through two loops on the hook.



Insert hook through the front post of next stitch.



Yarn over and pull through remaining two loops on hook.



Yarn over and pull up a loop.



Front Post Double Crochet complete.

Pattern Instructions

PART₁

Rnd 1: CH 68.

Rnd 2:DC in the 4th chain from the hook. (Skipped stitches count as 1 DC.) DC in each remaining CH across. CH 2, turn. (65 DC)

Rnd 3:* FPDC in next ST. DC in next 2 ST,** Repeat from * to ** across. CH2, turn. (65 DC.)

Rnd 4: DC in next ST, * FPDC in next 2 ST,** repeat from * to ** across. CH 2, turn.

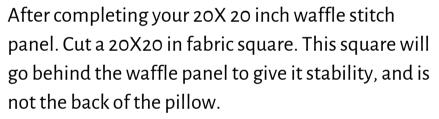
Rnd 5: * FPDC in next ST, DC in next 2 ST**, repeat from * to ** across.

Continue alternating rows 4 and 5 to the length needed for the pillow. (My finished pillow is 19.5 X 19.5 inches.) After you have reached the desired length, fasten off and weave in ends.

Pattern Instructions

PILLOW ASSEMBLY

For my pillow I used a 20X20 inch pillow form. The waffle stitch panel will be the front of the pillow and the back will be a cotton muslin backing with an invisible zipper for ease of washability, Shown here. If you've sewn a pillow before, this will be similar with the addition of the crocheted waffle panel at the front.



Next, Cut another square 21.5" X 20 inches. Length is longer because we will be adding the zipper to this panel.

Now, ensuring that you are cutting the length rather the width, measure 4 inches from the top of the square and cut across. Now you should have a 4"X 20" piece and a 17.5"X 20" piece.

With right sides together, place 4 inch piece over 17.5 inch piece with edges aligned and baste across the cut seam using sewing machine or hand stitch.

Open seam ends and press flat to prepare for zipper placement. See Photo below.



Back of pillow with Zipper



Cut here, Fold Over, and Baste across seam edges.

From here you can follow the instructions printed on your zipper package or continue with these Instructions.

- 1: fit sewing machine, if using, with a zipper foot.
- 2: Open zipper and iron zipper coils flat from the wrong side using a synthetic setting on the iron. You should be able to see two rows of stitching once ironed.
- 3: Pin the right side of the zipper to the right side of the basted edge of seam allowance with the coil of the zipper along the stitched seam line. Stitch right side of zipper to seam allowance.
- 4: Close zipper and pin free side of the zipper tape to the other side seam allowance. Stitch in place .
- 5: Unpick basted seam and press.

Clip long end of zipper if needed and sew carefully across the zipper teeth to secure the end of the zipper.

Now we're ready to stitch the pillow seams.

Place Zipper panel right side up, then lay the crocheted waffle panel waffle side down on top of the zipper panel. Now place the other muslin panel over the top of the backside of the waffle panel. Align edges and pin seams together. (Because waffle panel has a tendency to shrink down, you may have to gently stretch to fit the other panels. The important thing is to sandwich the edges of the waffle panel between the fabric panels while sewing.) Before sewing all 4 edges, unzip the zipper to be able to turn right side out.

After all seams have been stitched. Turn right side out and stuff with pillow form or fiber fill.



Press basted seam open.



Sandwich waffle panel with waffle side facing the zipper.



Be sure waffle panel is being stitched between fabric panels. May have to stretch gently to fit.

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When the weather goes from hot summer to a chill in the air, I love to make cozy spaces in my home with a salute to the beautiful fall colors. When I learned the waffle stitch, I knew I wanted to decorate beds and couches with it for autumn. I hope you enjoy making a set of these cozy pillows.



I I'm Abby Holmgren, and Briarberryfarmhouse is where I share my ideas and creativity. This pillow was a fusion of two of my favorite ways to create, sewing and crocheting. I hope you'll drop by Briarberryfarmhouse.com to say hello and maybe even get an idea or two for your next creative ventures.

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I learned to crochet from my Grandma Sherrie when I was 8 years old. Crocheting hot pads and washrags, and learning new stitches was just a way to spend time with Grandma then. Something happened along the way as I kept crocheting into adulthood. I found the same love for creating that my Grandma had. My wish is that you will share your love of crocheting by patiently teaching a friend, coworker, neighbor, child, or loved one the basics of how to crochet so that just maybe, they might find the same spark that you and I and Grandma Sherrie share.