What you will need:

RED HEART® Super Saver®:
1 skein each 672 Spring Green **A** and 3950 Charcoal **B**

Susan Bates® Crochet Hook:
4.5mm [US G-7]

Yarn needle

GAUGE: Gauge is not critical for this project.

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RED HEART® Super Saver®, Art. E300 available in solid color 7 oz (198 g), 364 yd (333 m); prints, multis and heathers 5 oz (141 g), 236 yd (215 m), flecks 5 oz (141 g), 260 yds (238 m) skeins

Spider Web Table Mat

Crochet a creepy spider mat to accent your Halloween décor. Add a purchased spider for skin-crawling eeriness and protect your table at the same time.

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Table mat measures 20" (51 cm) in diameter.

Special Stitches

beg V-st (beginning V-stitch) = (Ch 3 (counts as hdc, ch 1), hdc) in indicated space.

reverse sc (reverse single crochet) = Work single crochet in opposite direction from which you would usually work (left to right if you are right-handed and right to left if you are left-handed). This stitch is also known as crab stitch. It creates a rope-like twisted single crochet edging.

surface slip st (surface slip stitch) = With yarn held on wrong side, insert hook in indicated stitch or space, yarn over, pull loop to right side and through loop on hook.

V-st (V-stitch) = (Hdc, ch 1, hdc) in indicated stitch.

Special Techniques

Adjustable-ring method = Wrap yarn into a ring, ensuring that the tail falls behind the working yarn. Grip ring and tail firmly between middle finger and thumb. Insert hook through center of ring, yarn over (with working yarn) and draw up a loop. Work stitches of first round in the ring, working over both strands (the tail and the ring). After the first round of stitches is worked, pull gently, but firmly, on tail to tighten ring.

Join with sc = Place a slip knot on hook, insert hook in indicated stitch, yarn over and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through both loops on hook.

Notes

1. Table topper is made in joined rounds with right side facing.
2. Spider web is worked in surface slip stitching in straight lines and concentric circles.
3. When instructed to work into a V-stitch, work into the ch-1 space of the V-stitch.

TABLE TOPPER

With A, make an adjustable ring.

Round 1 (right side): Ch 2 (beginning ch count as first hdc here and throughout), 11 hdc in ring; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—12 hdc. Pull gently, but firmly, on tail to tighten ring.

Round 2: Ch 2, hdc in same st as join, 2 hdc in each hdc around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—24 hdc.

Round 3: Ch 2, hdc in same st as join, hdc in next 2 hdc, *2 hdc in next hdc, hdc in next 2 hdc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—32 hdc.

Round 4: Beg V-st in same st as join, hdc in next 3 hdc, *V-st in next st, hdc in next 3 hdc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in 2nd ch of beg V-st—8 V-sts and 24 hdc.

Note: Work half double crochet of each V-stitch in the remaining rounds as individual stitches.

Round 5: Slip st in first ch-1 space, beg V-st in same space, hdc in first 5 hdc, *V-st in next V-st, hdc in next 5 hdc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in 2nd ch of beg V-st—8 V-sts and 40 hdc.

Round 6: Slip st in first ch-1 space, beg V-st in same space, skip next hdc, hdc in next 6 hdc, *V-st in next V-st, skip next hdc, hdc in next 6 hdc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in 2nd ch of beg V-st—8 V-sts and 48 hdc.

Round 7: Slip st in first ch-1 space, beg V-st in same space, hdc in first 8 hdc, *V-st in next V-st, hdc in next 8 hdc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in 2nd ch of beg V-st—8 V-sts and 64 hdc.

Round 8: Slip st in first ch-1 space, beg V-st in same space, skip next hdc, hdc in next 9 hdc, *V-st in next V-st, skip next hdc, hdc in next 9 hdc; repeat from * around ; join with slip st in 2nd ch of beg V-st—8 V-sts and 72 hdc.

Round 9: Slip st in first ch-1 space, beg V-st in same space, hdc in first 11 hdc, *V-st in next V-st, hdc in next 11 hdc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in 2nd ch of beg V-st—8 V-sts and 88 hdc.

Round 10: Slip st in first ch-1 space, beg V-st in same space, skip next hdc, hdc in next 12 hdc, * V-st in next V-st, skip next hdc, hdc in next 12 hdc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in 2nd ch of beg V-st—8 V-sts and 96 hdc.

Round 11: Slip st in first ch-1 space, beg V-st in same space, hdc in first 13 hdc, *skip next hdc, V-st in next V-st, hdc in next 13 hdc; repeat from * around, skip last hdc; join with slip st in 2nd ch of beg V-st—8 V-sts and 104 hdc.

Round 12: Slip st in first ch-1 space, beg V-st in same space, hdc in next 14 hdc, * V-st in next V-st, skip next hdc, hdc in next 14 hdc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in 2nd ch of beg V-st—8 V-sts and 112 hdc.

Round 13: Slip st in first ch-1 space, beg V-st in same space, hdc in first 15 hdc, *skip next hdc, V-st in next V-st, hdc in next 15 hdc; repeat from * around, skip last hdc; join with slip st in 2nd ch of beg V-st—8 V-sts and 120 hdc.

Round 14: Slip st in first ch-1 space, beg V-st in same space, skip next hdc, hdc in next 16 hdc, *V-st in next V-st, skip next hdc, hdc in next 16 hdc; repeat from * around, join with slip st in 2nd ch of beg V-st—8 V-sts and 128 hdc.

Round 15: Slip st in first ch-1 space, beg V-st in same space, hdc in next 17 hdc, *V-st in next V-st, skip next hdc, hdc in next 17 hdc; repeat from * around, join with slip st in 2nd ch of beg V-st—8 V-sts and 136 hdc.

Round 16: Slip st in first ch-1 space, beg V-st in same space, hdc in first 19 hdc, *V-st in next V-st, hdc in next 19 hdc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in 2nd ch of beg V-st—8 V-sts and 152 hdc.

Round 17: Slip st in first ch-1 space, beg V-st in same space, skip next hdc, hdc in next 20 hdc, *V-st in next V-st, skip next hdc, hdc in next 20 hdc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in 2nd ch of beg V-st—8 V-sts and 160 hdc.

Round 18: Slip st in first ch-1 space, beg V-st in same space, hdc in first 22 hdc, *V-st in next V-st, hdc in next 22 hdc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in 2nd ch of beg V-st—8 V-sts and 176 hdc.

Round 19: Slip st in first ch-1 space, beg V-st in same space, skip next hdc, hdc in next 23 hdc, *V-st in next V-st, skip next hdc, hdc in next 23 hdc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in 2nd ch of beg V-st—8 V-sts and 184 hdc.

Round 20: Slip st in first ch-1 space, beg V-st in same space, hdc in first 25 hdc, *V-st in next V-st, hdc in next 25 hdc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in 2nd ch of beg V-st—8 V-sts and 200 hdc.

Round 21: Slip st in first ch-1 space, beg V-st in same space, hdc in first 26 hdc, *V-st in next V-st, skip next hdc, hdc in next 26 hdc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in 2nd ch of beg V-st—8 V-sts and 208 hdc.

Round 22: Slip st in first ch-1 space, beg V-st in same space, hdc in first 28 hdc, *V-st in next V-st, hdc in next 28 hdc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in 2nd ch of beg V-st—8 V-sts and 224 hdc.

Round 23: Slip st in first ch-1 space, beg V-st in same space, hdc in next 29 hdc, *V-st in next V-st, skip next hdc, hdc in next 29 hdc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in 2nd ch of beg V-st—8 V-sts and 232 hdc.

Round 24: Slip st in first ch-1 space, beg V-st in same space, hdc in next 30 hdc, *V-st in next V-st, skip next hdc, hdc in next 30 hdc; repeat from * around; join with slip st in 2nd ch of beg V-st—8 V-sts and 240 hdc.

Round 25: Slip st in first ch-1 space, ch 4 (counts as first tr), 2 tr in same space, *skip next hdc, tr in next hdc, dc in next 4 hdc, hdc in next 4 hdc, sc in next 12 hdc, hdc in next 4 hdc, dc in next 4 hdc, tr in next hdc, skip next hdc, 3 tr in next V-st, skip next hdc; repeat from * 7 times, skip next hdc, tr in next hdc, dc in next 4 hdc, hdc in next 4 hdc, sc in next 12 hdc, hdc in next 4 hdc, dc in next 4 hdc, tr in next hdc, skip last hdc; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—eight 3-tr groups, 16 tr, 64 dc, 64 hdc, and 96 sc. Fasten off.

Round 26 (edging round): With right side facing, join B with sc in any st, reverse sc in each st around; join with slip st in first sc—264 sc. Fasten off.

Webbing

Work each Webbing Line from an outer point to the outer point at the opposite edge. When instructed to work over a "st", you may be working over a V-st or hdc. When crossing over a previously made line, you may need to elongate the surface slip stitch in order to work over the center of the table topper.

Webbing Line: With right side facing, insert hook from front to back between reverse sc and center st of any 3-tr group, place B-color slip knot on hook, draw through to right side, *insert hook between next 2 rounds, surface slip st over next st; repeat from * across working last st over center st of 3-tr group at opposite point. Fasten off. Repeat 3 times.

Webbing Round: With right side facing, insert hook from front to back in any space between Rounds 2 and 3, place B-color slip knot on hook, draw through to right side, surface slip st in each space around; join with slip st in first surface slip st. Fasten off. Repeat Webbing Round between Rounds 5 and 6, Rounds 9 and 10, Rounds 14 and 15, and Rounds 20 and 21.

FINISHING

Block as needed, stretching edges to straighten and pin out points. Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS: A, **B** = Color A, Color B; **ch** = chain(s); **dc** = double crochet; **hdc** = half double crochet; **sc** = single crochet; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **tr** = treble (triple) crochet; **( )** = work directions in parentheses into same st; ***** = repeat whatever follows the * as indicated.