PATTERN

Sweet Heart

Yarn **Sugarwheel Cotton**

Hook **Size F/5 -3.75mm Hook**

Gauge **None**

Extras **Stuffing, Catnip, Scissors**

Waistcoat Stitch

The waistcoat stitch is what creates a great, dense fabric for this project and keeps all but the most determined cats from pulling stuffing loose.

A waistcoat stitch is worked identically to a single crochet, except you go **through** the post of the next single crochet, under the horizontal bar and between the legs

Abbreviations

- sc - single crochet
- wc - waistcoat stitch
- inc - increase waistcoat stitch
- dec - decrease waistcoat stitch

Instructions

Magic Ring

Rnd 1: 6 sc in Magic Ring

Rnd 2: 1 inc * (12)

Rnd 3: 1 inc, 1 wc * (18)

Rnd 4: wc * (18)

Rnd 5: wc * (18)

Slip stitch to end round, cut tail, and pull tail through. Set this circle to the side.

Magic Ring

Rnd 1: 6 sc in Magic Ring

Rnd 2: 1 inc * (12)

Rnd 3: 1 inc, 1 wc * (18)

Rnd 4: wc * (18)

Rnd 5: wc * (18)

Now, we will join the two circles together. To do this, hold the two pieces right sides together and slip stitch in the next 3 stitches, through both layers. The decreases in round 6 should go through one stitch from each circle

Rnd 6: 14 wc, dec, 14 wc, dec (30)

Rnd 7: 13 wc, dec, 13 wc, dec (28)

Rnd 8: 5 wc, dec, 11 wc, dec, 8 wc (26)

Rnd 9: 5 wc, dec, 10 wc, dec, 7 wc (24)

Rnd 10: 5 wc, dec, 9 wc, dec, 6wc (22)

Rnd 11: 5 wc, dec, 8 wc, dec, 5wc (20)

Rnd 12: 5 wc, dec, 7 wc, dec, 4 wc (18)

Rnd 13: 5 wc, dec, 6 wc, dec, 3 wc (16)

Stuff

Rnd 14: 5 wc, dec, 5 wc, dec, 2 wc (14)

Rnd 15: 5 wc, dec, 4 wc, dec, wc (12)

Rnd 16: 5wc, dec, 3 wc, dec (10)

Press the edges of the piece together from side to side and slip stitch the opening shut. Pull the tail through the last slip stitch, cut the tail, and pull remaining tail into the body of the heart.