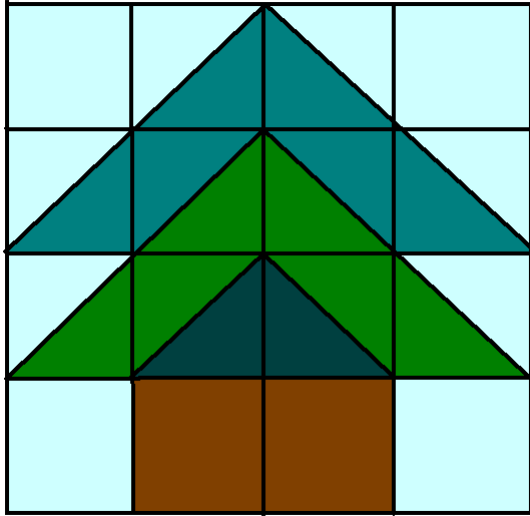
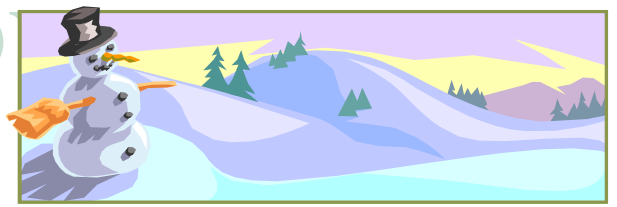


Pine Tree Pillow



This quilt block example was woven on the Tiny Weaver Set, but is workable on the Quilt Weaver Set, as well, and if you were willing to make a really huge tree, you could make it on the 12 or 14" looms! You would probably have a whole afghan with one block and a border! This design would make a very nice bag, too, with the addition of a strap or handle. I'm sure you could find other ways to use it as well.

Mine had three colors of green because I was working from stash and that's what I had. I think a textured yarn, a boucle or maybe one of those terry yarns would give the tree a more "piney" feel. Use the same color for the whole tree or find a fantasy tree color you like! One of those with the colored neps would give you an automatically decorated tree. The little battery sets of craft lights stitched inside would be cute, too!



Here's mine. I used the 14" loom to weave a solid back but you can use the looms you have. The Tiny Weaver or the Quilt Weaver or the 14" square will all weave squares to match this block. I then worked a crochet border in the background color. In this case a dark red to complete the Christmasy feel.

I found some sequins and beads in the dime store to decorate the tree with. I ended using the gold star sequins. You will decorate your tree to suit you, of course. Embroidered french knots would work, also.



The finished pillow brightens up Santa's dull reindeer brown chair!

Any border of your choice would work or you could just sew the two block together without a border or use a commercially made one. I used a size D crochet hook and the same worsted weight yarn I used for the back of the pillow.

First row:

Starting 4 stitches past a corner, Single crochet in each loop through both squares around three sides. Single crochet in the top square only on the fourth side to leave an opening for the pillow form.

Second row: single crochet in the first stitch, *chain three, skip 2 sc, sc in the next sc, skip next two sc, 5 dbl in next sc, skip 2 sc, sc in next sc* around. You'll need to space them as evenly as possible and perhaps cheat a bit to get the corners on the corner. Work 5-6 dbl in to make the corner lie flat.

Third row: Sc in chain 3 space, *chain 3, sc in same chain 3 space, chain 1, dbl in first dbl, chain one, 5 times, sc in chain 3 space*, repeat around. Add extra dbl in corners.

Wash and dry your pillow cover and insert pillow form; stitch opening closed. I bought a 14" pillow for mine but think a 12" might have made it a little flatter.