## Tomato and Strawberry Pincushion - Amigurumi Crochet Pattern

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### **Description**



This amigurumi pincushion pays homage to the old classic tomato and strawberry pincushion my mom used to keep on her sewing table. I've used Berroco Suede yarn because it looks luxurious and pins slip through it easily, but any worsted weight yarn will do. I hope you enjoy the pattern!

**FINISHED SIZE** 

Tomato: 3.25" by 2.25" Strawberry: 1" by 1.5"

#### **MATERIALS**

Berroco Suede in the following colors:

- Clementine 3757 (main color)
- Roy Rogers 3737 (stem color)

Crochet hook size F

Yarn needle

Poly fiber stuffing

Small pair of sharp scissors

Sewing needle and thread

#### **GAUGE**

5 sts by 5 rows = 1" in single crochet

#### **PATTERN NOTES**

For this pattern you can either stuff your pincushions with fiberfill or use the pattern to "cover" an existing tomato and strawberry pincushion made by Dritz. The advantage of covering a Dritz pincushion is that the Dritz version has sawdust in the tomato (giving the pincushion a nice weight) and emery in the strawberry to sharpen your pins!! The Dritz pincushion costs \$1.59 and can be ordered online. The part number is N-Dritz732.

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#### **Tomato**

With main color and F hook

Rnd 1: 6 sc in magic ring.

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each sc around – 12 sts.

Rnd 3: Sc in each sc around - 12 sts.

Rnd 4: 2 sc in each sc around – 24 sts.

Rnd 5: Sc in each sc around – 24 sts.

**Rnd 6:** (Sc in the first sc, 2 sc in the next sc) 12 times – 36 sts.

Rnd 7: Sc in each sc around – 36 sts.

Rnd 8: (Sc in the next 2 sc, 2 sc in the next sc) 12 times – 48 sts.

Rnds 9-14: Sc in each sc around – 48 sts.

Rnd 15: (Sc in the next 2 sc, sc decrease) 12 times – 36 sts.

Rnd 16: Sc in each sc around – 36 sts.

**Rnd 17:** (Sc in the first sc, sc decrease) 12 times – 24 sts.

Rnd 18: Sc in each sc around – 24 sts.

At this point do the following:

- Hide yarn tail by weaving it in around the first round on the inside of the tomato to keep the opening closed tight.
- Stuff tomato firmly.

Rnd 19: Sc decrease 12 times – 12 sts.

Rnd 20: Sc in each sc around – 12 sts.

Rnd 21: Sc decrease 6 times – 6 sts.

Bind off. Thread yarn tail in yarn needle and catch the front loops of remaining 6 stitches. Pull yarn tight to close hole. Weave in tail.

#### **Tomato Stem**

With stem color and F hook

**Rnd 1:** 6 sc in magic ring. Join with sl to first sc.

**Rnd 2**: [(Ch 2, dc, ch 2, sl st in 2nd ch from hook, dc, hdc, ch 1, sl st) in same sc, sl st to next sc] 6 times, making 6 leaves.

Bind off. Pull yarn tight to close center hole. Weave in yarn tails.

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### **Strawberry**

With main color and F hook

Rnd 1: 3 sc in magic ring.

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each sc around – 6 sts.

Rnd 3: (Sc in the next 2 sc, 2sc in the next sc) 2 times – 8 sts.

Rnd 4: (Sc in the next 3 sc, 2 sc in the next sc) 2 times – 10 sts.

Rnd 5: (Sc in the next 4 sc, 2 sc in the next sc) 2 times – 12 sts.

**Rnd 6:** (Sc in the next 5 sc, 2 sc in the next sc) 2 times – 14 sts.

Rnd 7: Sc in each sc around – 14 sts.

At this point do the following:

- Hide yarn tail by weaving it in around the first round on the inside of the strawberry to keep the opening closed tight.

- Stuff strawberry firmly.

Rnd 8: Sc decrease 7 times - 7 sts.

Bind off. Thread yarn tail in yarn needle and catch the front loops of remaining 7 stitches. Pull yarn tight to close hole. Weave in tail.

### **Strawberry Stem**

With stem color and F hook

Rnd 1: 4 sc in magic ring. Join with sl to first sc.

Rnd 2: [(Ch 3, sl st) in same sc, sl st to next sc] 4 times, making 4 leaves.

Bind off. Pull yarn tight to close center hole. Weave in yarn tails.

#### **Finishing**

Cut three pieces of stem color yarn and wrap around tomato, securing at top (see photo on left below). Connect stems with single strand of stem color yarn. With needle and thread, tack stems to top of tomato and strawberry.





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# Additional Photos



If you have any questions about this pattern feel free to e-mail me at kara@karabouts.com

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