

## Soccer Ball

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This great soccer ball is regulation size and I designed it based on a plush soccer ball my daughter had. I did not have any black yarn so I used the pretty amethyst color you see here. Even my husband likes it!!

## **Materials Needed**

3oz White worsted weight acrylic yarn Red Heart was used in the example

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Size G/6 aluminum crochet hook

Polyester Fiber fill

Yarn needle for weaving in ends

Yarn Thickness: 4mm

**Gauge:** round 1 of the hexagon is 1 5/8" diam

Finished Size: 8" diam Skill Level: Advanced



**Pentagons** Make 12

**RND 1:** With amethyst. Ch5. Join w/slst to first ch to form ring. Ch3. 14dc in ring. Join w/slst to top of ch3.

RND 2: Ch3. Dc in same st as slst. 2hdc in next st. 2dc in next st. Ch1. \*2dc in next st. 2hdc in next st. 2dc in next st. Ch1. Rep from \* around. Join w/slst to top of ch3. Fasten off and weave all ends in to back of work.

**Hexagons** Make 20

**RND 1:** With white. Ch6. Join w/slst to first ch to form ring. Ch3. 17dc in ring. Join w/slst to top of ch3.

RND 2: Ch3. Dc in same st as slst. 2hdc in next st. 2dc in next st. Ch1. \*2dc in next st. 2hdc in next st. 2dc in next st. Ch1. Rep from \* around. Join w/slst to top of ch3. Fasten off and weave all ends in to back of work.



Stitch all motifs together, with a whip stitch, following the way it looks in the picture. Start with 5 hexagons around a pentagon and work out from there. I made 2 halves then stitched two halves together. Stuff tightly before closing with the polyester fiberfill.



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