

Christmas Pinwheels

On a Rigid Heddle Loom

Towel - 24" or 32" Harp Forte Loom
Mug Rugs - 8" Harp Forte, 10" Presto or larger.
8 Dent Heddle

Worsted weight (medium 4) cotton yarn in two colors.
Our sample used red and white.

Warp length 80" for 2 towels.

Total ends 192 (96 loops) plus 8 edge yarns as indicated below if desired.

Warp 4 ends (2 loops) white for the edge.
~ alternately, omit these and use a floating selvage as was done on the green mug rugs pictured below.

Then warp 8 ends (4 loops) red, 8 ends (4 loops) white and repeat across until you have 11 of each color. (3 for the mug rugs).

Warp 8 more red (4 loops) and 4 more (2 loops) white for the edge.

When placing the yarn into the holes, do so in a way that you will end in a slot on the far right.

*If you have a hole filled instead, don't worry. You will simply have to reverse step 4 and 5. In other words go down on step 4 and up on step 5 rather than how it is written below.

If you have watched the accompanying video, you will see that I ended in a hole.

Begin by weaving 8 picks of plain weave with the white. (Weave 4 for the mug rugs.)
Then continue onto the following pattern.

*Throughout the project the 4 white edge yarns should be woven as a plain weave.
To simplify the instructions they will NOT be included in the step by step directions.*

Use the Pick Up Stick on all rows except 4 and 5.

Repeat the following pattern 24 times alternating color after each repeat. (7 for mug rugs)

- 1) Neutral (N) Over 4, Under 4 across
- 2) N - Over 3, Under 1, Over 1, Under 3
- 3) N - Over 2, Under 1, Over 1, Under 1, Over 1, Under 2
- 4) Heddle Up
- 5) Heddle Down
- 6) N - Under 2, Over 1, Under 1, Over 1, Under 1, Over 2
- 7) N - Under 3, Over 1, Under 1, Over 3
- 8) N - Under 4, Over 4

End with 8 (4) rows of plain weave.

Don't forget to add a hemstich or plan a longer plain weave if you want to sew the hem under.

