Chunky storage basket

Medium · US terms



Finished size
About 7¼ in (18.5 cm) across and 4¼ in (11 cm) tall

Skill
Easy
It is worked in rounds, with increases in the base.

Yarn
Bulky (5), 2 colors

Hook
6.5 mm (US K-10 1/2)

Gauge
10 stitches and 11 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: cream, contrast color — **about 45 yd (41 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: cinnamon, main color — **about 70 yd (64 m), an estimate**
Fiber: cotton
Hook: 6.5 mm (US K-10 1/2). Also: a stitch marker, a yarn needle and scissors.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. The estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Small	5 in (12.5 cm) across, 3 in (7.5 cm) tall	about 60 yd (55 m)
Medium (this file)	**7¼ in (18.5 cm) across, 4¼ in (11 cm) tall**	**about 115 yd (105 m)**
Large	8¾ in (22 cm) across, 5¾ in (14.5 cm) tall	about 175 yd (160 m)
Extra large	11 in (28 cm) across, 7¾ in (19.5 cm) tall	about 280 yd (256 m)

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Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
BLO	back loop only
MR	magic ring
st	stitch
rnd	round
RS	right side

Gauge

10 stitches and 11 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

If the piece measures more than that, begin again with a smaller hook; if it measures less, with a larger hook.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. The gauge is checked on the piece itself: after round 5 the base should measure about 3¾ in (9.5 cm) across, laid flat and not stretched.

Before you start

- Begin with a magic ring: wind the yarn once round two fingers, put the hook through the ring, draw up a loop and chain 1 to hold it, which does not count as a stitch. Work round 1 into the ring, then pull the tail to draw the ring closed.
- The rounds are not joined: work in a spiral, and move a marker up to the first stitch of each round.
- Work firmly.
- To change color, draw the new yarn through as the last yarn over of the stitch before. Cut the old yarn, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).
- About 7¼ in (18.5 cm) across and 4¼ in (11 cm) tall.
- Colors, round by round. Rounds 1 to 15: B. Rounds 16 to 22: A.

Instructions

Chosen: Medium. Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a round is done. In UK terms sc is double crochet.

Yarns in order of use: B, cinnamon; A, cream.

Round 11 is worked in the back loop only: put the hook under the back loop of each stitch alone. It turns the base up into the sides.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	**(30 sc)**

> **Stop and measure now, after round 5.** After round 5 the base should measure about 3¾ in (9.5 cm) across.

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☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	**[**Sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts**] 6 times**	**(54 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 10**	**[**Sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(60 sc)**

Sides

☐ **Rnd 11**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(60 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 12 to 15**	Sc in each st around	**(60 sc)**

A box for each round, 12 to 15: tick them off as you go.

12 13 14 15

☐ **Rnd 16**	With A, sc in each st around	**(60 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 17 to 22**	Sc in each st around	**(60 sc)**

A box for each round, 17 to 22: tick them off as you go.

17 18 19 20 21 22

☐ **End** Slip stitch in the next stitch to level the edge. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).

Finishing

- Weave every tail in on the inside.
- Weave the tail of the ring in round the middle of the base.

In all: 22 rounds; 1,050 stitches; 4 ends to weave in.

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