Nursery caddy

Medium · US terms



Finished size
About 10¼ in (26 cm) wide, 12¼ in (31 cm) long and 5¾ in (14.5 cm) tall

Skill
Easy
A flat base is worked in rows and the walls in rounds from its edge.

Yarn
Bulky (5), 2 colors

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

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

You will need

Yarn A: oat, main color — **about 250 yd (229 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: dusty blue, contrast color — **about 80 yd (73 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
Medium (this file)	**10¼ in (26 cm) wide, 12¼ in (31 cm) long**	**about 330 yd (302 m)**
Large	12¾ in (32.5 cm) wide, 15¼ in (38.5 cm) long	about 475 yd (434 m)

Abbreviations

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

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

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Gauge

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

There should be 10 stitches and 11 rows. If you count more stitches than that, change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, change to a smaller hook. The swatch can be pulled out and its yarn used again.

The pattern also stops you to measure after row 32.

The swatch. A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. Work a swatch before you begin: ch 16; row 1, sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across (15 sc); rows 2 to 16, ch 1, turn, sc in each st across (15 sc). Lay it flat and count the stitches and rows over 4 in (10 cm) in its middle.

Swatch foundation	Ch 16.	
Swatch row 1 (RS)	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(15 sc)**
Swatch rows 2 to 16	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(15 sc)**

Before you start

- The chain of 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.
- Round 1 of the walls goes all round the base: along the last row, down the row ends, along the foundation chain, and back up the other row ends. It lies flat and makes the base a little larger; the walls turn up in round 2. The walls are worked in a spiral; move a marker up to the first stitch of each round.
- Where the pattern says BLO, put the hook under the back loop only; the front loop stays on the outside as a ridge.
- To change color, draw the new yarn through as the last yarn over of the stitch before. Cut the old yarn at each change, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).
- Colors of the walls, round by round. Rounds 1 to 2: A. Rounds 3 to 6: B. Rounds 7 to 17: A.

Instructions

Chosen: Medium. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a row is done. In UK terms sc is double crochet.

Base

Yarn A, oat.

☐	**Foundation**	Ch 25.	
☐	**Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(24 sc)**
☐	**Rows 2 to 32**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(24 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 32: tick them off as you go. The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 **32**

Stop and measure now, after row 32. After row 32 the base should measure about 9½ in (24 cm) wide and 11¾ in (30 cm) long.

☐ **End** Do not fasten off.

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Walls

Yarns in order of use: A, oat; B, dusty blue.

☐ **Foundation**	The base just worked, 24 stitches and 32 rows; turn it so that the other side of the last row faces you.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, sc in next 24 sts, sc in end of each of next 32 rows, sc in next 24 chs, sc in end of each of next 32 rows	**(112 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(112 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	With B, sc in each st around	**(112 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 4 to 6**	Sc in each st around	**(112 sc)**

A box for each round, 4 to 6: tick them off as you go.

☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6

☐ **Rnd 7**	With A, sc in each st around	**(112 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 8 to 17**	Sc in each st around	**(112 sc)**

A box for each round, 8 to 17: tick them off as you go.

☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12 ☐ 13 ☐ 14 ☐ 15 ☐ 16 ☐ 17

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

Handle: make 2

Yarn B, dusty blue.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 5.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(4 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 30**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(4 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 30: tick them off as you go.

☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12 ☐ 13 ☐ 14 ☐ 15 ☐ 16 ☐ 17 ☐ 18 ☐ 19 ☐ 20 ☐ 21 ☐ 22 ☐ 23 ☐ 24 ☐ 25 ☐ 26 ☐ 27 ☐ 28 ☐ 29 ☐ 30

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 18 in (45 cm) to sew one end. To sew the other end, cut a new length of the same yarn, also 18 in (45 cm).	

Assembly

1. Each handle is about 11 in (28 cm) long and 1½ in (4 cm) wide. Stand its two ends upright on the outside of one long side of the caddy (a side worked along the row ends of the base), in the middle of it, over 4 stitches each, with 9 stitches of the last round between them. The last 1¼ in (3 cm) of each end lies flat on the wall, below the rim; the rest of the handle arches above the rim.

2. Sew each end down round all four edges of the 1¼ in (3 cm) that lies on the wall, the fourth along the rim.

3. Sew the other handle on in the same way, straight across from the first, with 39 stitches of the last round between the two handles on each side.

Finishing

- Weave every tail in on the inside.

In all: 4 pieces; 2,912 stitches (768 in the base, 1,904 in the walls, 120 in each handle); 12 ends to weave in.

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