Double-strand oval basket

Medium · US terms



Finished size
About 9¼ in (23.5 cm) long, 5¼ in (13.5 cm) wide and 4 in (10 cm) tall

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

Yarn
Medium (4), 2 colors

Hook
6 mm (US J-10)

Gauge
11 stitches and 12 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: cream, main color — **about 145 yd (133 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: sage, contrast color — **about 90 yd (82 m), an estimate**
Fiber: cotton
Two strands of yarn are held together throughout; the amounts above are for all of them.
Hook: 6 mm (US J-10). 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	7¼ in (18.5 cm) long, 4 in (10 cm) wide	about 140 yd (128 m)
Medium (this file)	**9¼ in (23.5 cm) long, 5¼ in (13.5 cm) wide**	**about 235 yd (215 m)**
Large	11 in (28 cm) long, 6¾ in (17 cm) wide	about 350 yd (320 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

11 stitches and 12 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 8 the base should measure about 9¼ in (23.5 cm) long, laid flat and not stretched.

Before you start

- Hold two strands of the yarn together throughout. The amount given is for both strands.
- Round 1 is worked along both sides of the foundation chain: along one side, 3 stitches in the last chain, then back along the other side. From round 2 on, the increases stand at the two ends only; along the two straight sides work one stitch in each stitch.
- 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 9¼ in (23.5 cm) long, 5¼ in (13.5 cm) wide and 4 in (10 cm) tall.
- Colors, round by round. Rounds 1 to 9: B. Rounds 10 to 20: 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, sage; A, cream.

Round 9 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**	Ch 13.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 10 chs, 3 sc in last ch, working along the other side of the foundation ch, sc in next 10 chs, 2 sc in last ch	**(26 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in each of next 3 sts, sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in each of next 2 sts	**(32 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	2 sc in next st, sc in next st, sc in next 10 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 3 times**, sc in next 10 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(38 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 10 sts, **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**, sc in next 10 sts, **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(44 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts, sc in next 10 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 3 times**, sc in next 10 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 2 times**	**(50 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 10 sts, **[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**, sc in next 10 sts, **[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(56 sc)**

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☐ **Rnd 7**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts, sc in next 10 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 3 times**, sc in next 10 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 2 times**	**(62 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	Sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 10 sts, **[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**, sc in next 10 sts, **[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(68 sc)**

> **Stop and measure now, after round 8.** After round 8 the base should measure about 9¼ in (23.5 cm) long and 5¼ in (13.5 cm) wide.

Sides

☐ **Rnd 9**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(68 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 10**	With A, sc in each st around	**(68 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 11 to 20**	Sc in each st around	**(68 sc)**

A box for each round, 11 to 20: tick them off as you go.

☐ 11 ☐ 12 ☐ 13 ☐ 14 ☐ 15 ☐ 16 ☐ 17 ☐ 18 ☐ 19 ☐ 20

☐ **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.

In all: 20 rounds; 1,192 stitches; 4 ends to weave in.

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