Heart basket

Medium · US terms



Finished size
About 6½ in (16.5 cm) across and 4¼ in (11 cm) tall

Skill
Intermediate
Two colors are worked in each heart round, the one not in use carried.

Yarn
Medium (4), 2 colors

Hook
5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge
14 stitches and 15 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: cream, main color	**about 95 yd (87 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: cherry red, contrast color	**about 40 yd (37 m), an estimate**

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8). 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	5½ in (14 cm) across, 4 in (10 cm) tall	about 100 yd (91 m)
Medium (this file)	**6½ in (16.5 cm) across, 4¼ in (11 cm) tall**	**about 135 yd (124 m)**
Large	7¾ in (19.5 cm) across, 5 in (12.5 cm) tall	about 185 yd (169 m)

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

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Gauge

14 stitches and 15 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 12 the base should measure about 6½ in (16.5 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.
- Where the pattern says BLO, put the hook under the back loop only; the front loop stays on the outside as a ridge.
- Tapestry crochet: where two or more colors share a round, lay the color or colors of that round not in use along the top of the round before and work over them, all the way round, so that they are carried inside the stitches.
- To change color, at the start of a round or inside it, draw the new yarn through as the last yarn over of the stitch before. Where two or more colors share a round, cut nothing at a change: the color you leave is carried. Once a color is no longer in the rounds: where only one or two rounds are worked before it is used again, carry it loosely up the inside; where more are worked, or it is not used again, cut it, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).
- Colors, round by round. Rounds 1 to 16: A. Rounds 17 to 24: A and B. Rounds 25 to 26: A. Rounds 27 to 28: B.

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: A, cream; B, cherry red.

☐ **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**	Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sc in next 2 sts	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sc in next 3 sts	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	**[**Sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sc in next 4 sts	**(54 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 10**	**[**Sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(60 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 11**	Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sc in next 5 sts	**(66 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 12**	**[**Sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(72 sc)**

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> **Stop and measure now, after round 12.** After round 12 the base should measure about 6½ in (16.5 cm) across.

Sides

☐ **Rnd 13**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(72 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 14 to 16**	Sc in each st around	**(72 sc)**

A box for each round, 14 to 16: tick them off as you go.

☐ 14 ☐ 15 ☐ 16

☐ **Rnd 17**	**[**With A, sc in next 5 sts, with B, sc in next st, with A, sc in next 6 sts**] 6 times**	**(72 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 18**	**[**With A, sc in next 4 sts, with B, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	**(72 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 19**	**[**With A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, sc in next 5 sts, with A, sc in next 4 sts**] 6 times**	**(72 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 20**	**[**With A, sc in next 2 sts, with B, sc in next 7 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	**(72 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 21 to 22**	**[**With A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 9 sts, with A, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(72 sc)**

A box for each round, 21 to 22: tick them off as you go.

☐ 21 ☐ 22

☐ **Rnd 23**	**[**With A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	**(72 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 24**	**[**With A, sc in next 2 sts, with B, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	**(72 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 25 to 26**	Sc in each st around	**(72 sc)**

A box for each round, 25 to 26: tick them off as you go.

☐ 25 ☐ 26

☐ **Rnd 27**	With B, sc in each st around	**(72 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 28**	Sc in each st around	**(72 sc)**
☐ **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 starting tail of the magic ring in round the middle of the base.

In all: 28 rounds; 1,620 stitches; 4 ends to weave in.

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