Heart trinket box with lid

Large · US terms



Finished size

About 5 in (12.5 cm) across, 4¼ in (11 cm) from lobe to point and 2 in (5 cm) tall, with a lid about 5½ in (14 cm) across

Skill

Intermediate

The heart is shaped in every round, with increases at the point and round the lobes and a decrease between them.

Yarn

Medium (4), 2 colors

Hook

3.5 mm (US E-4)

Gauge

18 stitches and 19 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)

In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn A: raspberry, the box and the lid	**about 85 yd (78 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: cream, the edges and the knob	**about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 55 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 3.5 mm (US E-4), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a pinch of toy stuffing, 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. Buy them from one dye lot. 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	3½ in (9 cm) across, 3 in (7.5 cm)	about 65 yd (59 m)
Large (this file)	**5 in (12.5 cm) across, 4¼ in (11 cm)**	**about 110 yd (101 m)**

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Gauge

18 stitches and 19 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

The pattern also stops you to measure after round 6.

> **The swatch.** A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. Lay it flat and count the stitches over 4 in (10 cm) in its middle. There should be 18 stitches; rows worked back and forth are not quite as tall as rounds, so go by the stitches. 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.
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Swatch foundation	Ch 28.	
Swatch row 1 (RS)	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(27 sc)
Swatch rows 2 to 28	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(27 sc)

Notes

- Round 1 is worked along both sides of the foundation chain. Lay the chain as a V: its middle chain is the bottom of the V, and its two ends are the middles of the lobes of the heart. Round 1 begins at one end of the chain. Its first 3 sc in one chain are in the middle chain. It goes down the outside of that arm, round the bottom, up the outside of the other arm and round its end, then back along the inside of the V to the first end.
- From round 2 on, the 3 sc in one stitch make the point: they go into the middle one of the 3 sc of the round before. The groups of 2 sc in one stitch widen the lobes, three of them in each lobe. In the lobe where the rounds begin, one is worked at the start of the round and two at its end. The sc3tog comes between the lobes: its middle stitch lies over the decrease of the round before, and in round 2 over the middle chain.
- Each round is joined with a slip stitch in its first stitch. From round 2 on, a round begins with a chain of 1 that does not count as a stitch, and its first stitch goes into the stitch the round before was joined in. The right side, the outside, faces you in all the rounds.
- The knob is worked in a spiral from 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. Its rounds are not joined. Keep a marker in 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 where a joined round begins, draw the new yarn through as the last yarn over of the slip stitch that ends the round before. Cut the old yarn at each change, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).
- sc2tog: draw up a loop in each of the next 2 stitches, yarn over and pull through all 3 loops on the hook. sc3tog: draw up a loop in each of the next 3 stitches, yarn over and pull through all 4 loops on the hook.
- Colors, round by round. Rounds 1 to 14: A. Round 15: B. Lid. Rounds 1 to 9: A. Rounds 10 to 11: B. The knob is B.

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Instructions

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ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **MR** magic ring, **st** stitch, **rnd** round.

sc2tog 2 sc made into one, **sc3tog** 3 sc made into one. **BLO**: only the loop away from you. **sk** skip, **RS** right side, the one that shows.

2 sc in next st: both in one stitch. **sc in next 8 sts**: one in each.

[ ] 3 times: work what is inside 3 times in all.

(38 sc): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Box

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

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 18.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 7 chs, 3 sc in next ch, sc in next 7 chs, 3 sc in last ch, working along the other side of the foundation ch, sc in next 15 chs, 2 sc in last ch, sl st in first sc to join	(38 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in each of next 3 sts, sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog, sc3tog, sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in each of next 2 sts, sl st in first sc to join	(42 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st, sc in next 9 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 9 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 3 times**, sc in next 4 sts, sc3tog, sc in next 4 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(48 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1, sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 10 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 10 sts, **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**, sc in next 3 sts, sc3tog, sc in next 3 sts, **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(54 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 1, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts, sc in next 11 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 11 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 3 times**, sc in next 2 sts, sc3tog, sc in next 2 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 2 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(60 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	Ch 1, sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 12 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 12 sts, **[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**, sc in next st, sc3tog, sc in next st, **[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(66 sc)

> **Stop and measure now, after round 6.** The heart should be about 5 in (12.5 cm) across its two lobes and 4¼ in (11 cm) from the top of a lobe to the point, measured straight down.

Sides

☐ **Rnd 7**	Ch 1, sc in BLO of each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(66 sc)
☐ **Rnds 8 to 14**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(66 sc)

8 9 10 11 12 13 14

☐ **Rnd 15**	With B, ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(66 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

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Lid

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

The last round is not joined: the last slip stitch goes into the last stitch of the round before. It has no chain at its start; skip the stitch the round before was joined in.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 18.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 7 chs, 3 sc in next ch, sc in next 7 chs, 3 sc in last ch, working along the other side of the foundation ch, sc in next 15 chs, 2 sc in last ch, sl st in first sc to join	(38 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in each of next 3 sts, sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog, sc3tog, sc2tog, sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in each of next 2 sts, sl st in first sc to join	(42 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st, sc in next 9 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 9 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 3 times**, sc in next 4 sts, sc3tog, sc in next 4 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(48 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1, sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 10 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 10 sts, **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**, sc in next 3 sts, sc3tog, sc in next 3 sts, **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(54 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 1, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts, sc in next 11 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 11 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 3 times**, sc in next 2 sts, sc3tog, sc in next 2 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 2 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(60 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	Ch 1, sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 12 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 12 sts, **[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**, sc in next st, sc3tog, sc in next st, **[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(66 sc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	Ch 1, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts, sc in next 13 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 13 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 3 times**, sc3tog, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 2 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(72 sc)

Side of the lid

☐ **Rnd 8**	Ch 1, sc in BLO of each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(72 sc)
☐ **Rnd 9**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(72 sc)
☐ **Rnd 10**	With B, ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(72 sc)

Scallops

☐ **Rnd 11**	**[**Sk next st, 5 dc in next st, sk next st, sl st in next st**] 18 times**	(90 dc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

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Knob

Yarn B, cream.

Begin at the top. Stuff the knob firmly after round 4, before the opening closes.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	5 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(5 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	(10 sc)
☐ **Rnds 3 to 4** 3 4	Sc in each st around	(10 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**Sc2tog**] 5 times**	(5 sc)
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 16 in (40.5 cm) for sewing.	

Assembly

1. Weave in all the tails on the wrong side, all but the long tail of the knob. The starting tail of the knob stays inside it.

2. Shape the box and the lid. Press the base flat and crease its edge along the ridge, then pinch the side into a sharp upright edge at the point and push it in between the two lobes. Do the same with the lid, and pull each scallop down flat.

3. The knob. Set its open edge on the middle of the lid, over the middle chain of the foundation, where the two arms of the V meet. With its long tail whip stitch the 5 stitches of its last round to the lid in a small circle, the needle going through to the inside of the lid each time, and go round a second time. Whip stitch: put the needle through a stitch of the knob and down through the lid beside it, and draw the yarn snug. Fasten off on the inside of the lid.

Finishing

- If the sides are soft, dab them with water, shape the heart with your fingers and let it dry.

In all: 3 pieces; 1,628 stitches (902 in the box, 686 in the lid, 40 in the knob).

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