Mini air plant hangers, set of three

US terms



Finished size

About 2¼ × 10 in (6 × 25 cm)

About 5½ in (14 cm) from the edge to the large bead for each hanger, with the cords drawn straight; the cup about 3 in (7.5 cm) across, for an air plant 2 in (5 cm) to 4 in (10 cm) across; the pocket about 2¼ in (5.5 cm) across and 2½ in (6.5 cm) deep, for a pot 2 in (5 cm) across; the ring 2½ in (6.5 cm) across. To fit an air plant 3 in (7.5 cm) to 5 in (12.5 cm) across

Skill

Easy

Each hanger is a few small rounds, hung from chain cords.

Yarn

Light (3), 3 colors

Hook

3.5 mm (US E-4)

Gauge

20 stitches and 22 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)

In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn A: sand, the cup	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: terracotta, the pocket	**about 30 yd (27 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: white, the ring, the edge of the pocket and the tassel	**about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 30 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 250 yd (229 m).

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 3.5 mm (US E-4), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: 13 wooden beads about 3/8 in (1 cm) across, with holes wide enough for a cord, 3 wooden beads about ¾ in (2 cm) across, with holes wide enough for four cords, a wooden ring 2½ in (6.5 cm) across on the outside, a piece of card 2½ in (6.5 cm) wide, for the tassel, 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.

Gauge

20 stitches and 22 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

The moss stitch rounds are counted as single crochet rounds.

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 6 the base should measure about 2¼ in (5.5 cm) across, laid flat and not stretched. If the piece measures more than that, begin again with a smaller hook; if it measures less, with a larger hook.

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Notes

- Begin with a magic ring: wind the yarn once round two fingers, put the hook through the ring and draw up a loop. Where round 1 does not begin with a chain, chain 1 to hold the loop, which does not count as a stitch. Work round 1 into the ring, then pull the tail to draw the ring closed.
- The pocket is worked in joined rounds: each is joined with a slip stitch in its first stitch. The chain of 1 at the start of a round does not count as a stitch; in every round but 9 to 18 work the first stitch into the stitch the round before was joined in. Round 19, the first round over the moss stitch, works one stitch in each single crochet and one in each chain-1 space.
- Where the pattern says BLO, put the hook under the back loop only; the front loop stays on the outside as a ridge.
- Moss stitch, rounds 8 to 18. In round 8 each chain 1 passes over one stitch of round 7. In each of the rounds 9 to 18 every single crochet goes into a chain-1 space of the round before, and every chain 1 passes over a single crochet of the round before. Such a round begins with a slip stitch into the first chain-1 space and a chain 1, and its first single crochet goes into that same space, so the start of the round moves on one stitch in every round: move the marker with it. Its last single crochet goes into the last chain-1 space of the round before; its last chain 1 passes over the first single crochet of the round before, and the slip stitch that joins it goes into its own first single crochet.
- The cup is worked in a spiral and is not joined: move a marker up to the first stitch of each round. The right side, the outside, faces you in all three pieces.
- 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).
- Colors. Pocket. Rounds 1 to 18: B. Rounds 19 to 20: C. The cup is A and the ring C. The cords are in the color of their hanger.

Instructions

US terms.

ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **hdc** half double crochet (UK half treble), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **MR** magic ring, **st** stitch, **sp** space, **rnd** round.
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 2 sts**: one in each. **ch-1 sp**: the gap under the one chain; the hook goes in the gap.
[ ] 6 times: work what is inside 6 times in all. **( )**: all of it goes into the one place.
(6 sc): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Pocket

Yarns in order of use: B, terracotta; C, white.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	

Base

☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 6 sc in MR, pull the tail to close the ring, sl st in first sc to join	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(24 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 1, 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, sl st in first sc to join	(30 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(36 sc)

Stop and measure now, after round 6. The base should measure about 2¼ in (5.5 cm) across.

Sides

☐ **Rnd 7**	Ch 1, sc in BLO of each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnd 8**	Ch 1, sc in first st, ch 1, sk next st, **[**sc in next st, ch 1, sk next st**] 17 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(18 sc, 18 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Rnds 9 to 18**	Sl st in next ch-1 sp, ch 1, sc in same sp, ch 1, **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 17 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(18 sc, 18 ch-1 sps)

9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18

☐ **Rnd 19**	With C, ch 1, **[**sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 18 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnd 20**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(36 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Cup

Yarn A, sand.

The first single crochet of round 3 goes into the first chain space of round 2, and so on in every round: each round begins in the first space of the round below, and the last chains of a round are closed by that stitch.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	**[**Sc in next st, ch 9**] 6 times**	(6 sc, 6 ch-9 sps)
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**Sc in next ch-9 sp, ch 10**] 6 times**	(6 sc, 6 ch-10 sps)
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**Sc in next ch-10 sp, ch 11**] 6 times**	(6 sc, 6 ch-11 sps)
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**Sc in next ch-11 sp, ch 11**] 6 times**	(6 sc, 6 ch-11 sps)
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**(Sc, hdc, 3 dc, hdc, sc) in next ch-11 sp**] 6 times**	(12 sc, 12 hdc, 18 dc)
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the first single crochet of round 6. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Ring

Yarn C, white.

Work the stitches over the wood, close together and even, so that no wood shows; push them along the ring until they do.

☐ **Foundation**	Take the wooden ring in place of a foundation: make a slip knot on the hook, hold it against the ring, put the hook through the ring and join the yarn round the wood with a slip stitch.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 40 sc in ring, sl st in first sc to join	(40 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

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Assembly

1. Weave in the tails of the three pieces on their wrong sides, the tail of each magic ring round its middle.

2. A long cord is a chain: join the yarn with a slip stitch at the place that is named, ch 102, which is about 16¼ in (41.5 cm) long, and fasten off with a tail of 3 in (7.5 cm). Weave in the tail at the foot of the cord on the wrong side. To thread a bead, put the tail at the free end on the yarn needle and draw the bead down the cord with it.

3. The cup. The middle double crochet (UK treble) of each scallop of round 6 is its top. With A make 3 long cords, one in the top of every second scallop. Tie an overhand knot in each cord 3 in (7.5 cm) above its scallop, and thread 2 small beads on it down to the knot. Even the cords and thread all of them together up through a large bead, so that about 9 in (23 cm) of the cords is above it and about 5½ in (14 cm) is below it, measured from the edge where the cords begin. Fold the part above the bead in half to a loop, the ends down at the bead, and with the whole of it, the loop and the ends together, tie one loose overhand knot close above the bead. Hang it up empty by the loop: draw a single cord up or down through the bead until it hangs level. Then draw the knot tight against the bead, so that a loop about 1½ in (4 cm) long stands above the knot. The knot takes up the rest. Trim the ends close to the knot.

4. The pocket. The last round has 36 stitches. With B make 3 long cords, the first in the stitch in which the round was joined and the next in every 12th stitch after it. Tie an overhand knot in each cord 3 in (7.5 cm) above the edge, and thread 1 small bead on it down to the knot. Finish the top as for the cup.

5. The ring lies flat, like a shelf. With C make 4 long cords, the first in the stitch in which the round was joined and the next in every 10th stitch after it. Tie an overhand knot in each cord 3 in (7.5 cm) above the ring, and thread 1 small bead on it down to the knot. Finish the top as for the cup, with 4 cords.

6. The short cords of the ring. In each of the same 4 stitches join C again with a slip stitch, ch 18, and fasten off with a tail of 8 in (20.5 cm). Weave in the tail at the foot. These 4 cords hang down from the ring; their ends meet at the tassel.

7. The tassel. Wind C 24 times round the card. Slip the 4 tails of the short cords under the loops at one edge of the card, draw the ends of the 4 short cords together there, and tie the tails, two against two, in a firm double knot round the loops. Cut the loops at the other edge of the card. Bind a length of C 12 in (30.5 cm) long six times round the strands, ½ in (1.5 cm) below the top, knot its two ends together and draw them into the tassel with the needle. Let the 4 tails hang down among the strands and trim them all level.

8. An air plant sits in the cup, and on the cords inside the ring, with its leaves outward. Take it out to water it and let it dry before you put it back. In the pocket use a pot without a hole, or take the pot out to water it.

Finishing

- Draw the scallops of the cup open and the strands of the tassel straight with your fingers.

In all: 3 pieces; 544 stitches (432 in the pocket, 72 in the cup, 40 in the ring).

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