Mini mushroom baskets, set of three

US terms



Finished size
About 3 in (7.5 cm) across the stem, 4¼ in (11 cm) across the cap and 2½ in (6.5 cm) tall without the cap, each

Skill
Easy
It is single crochet in rounds, increases and decreases, with small circles to sew on.

Yarn
Medium (4), 5 colors

Hook
3.5 mm (US E-4)

Gauge
18 stitches and 20 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn A: cream, the large spot, the small spot and more	**about 170 yd (155 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: mushroom red, the domed cap	**about 40 yd (37 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: rust, the wide cap	**about 30 yd (27 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: plum, the pointed cap	**about 30 yd (27 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: moss green, the bases	**about 50 yd (46 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 160 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 stitch marker, pins, 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

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

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 7 the base should measure about 3 in (7.5 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.

Notes

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- 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.
- The stem is worked from its base up. Where the pattern says BLO, put the hook under the back loop only; the front loop stays on the outside as a ridge, round the foot of the stem and round the edge of the cap.
- A cap is worked from its top down to its edge, then in under itself to the collar, with the right side outside all the way. It is hollow and is not stuffed.
- 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).
- Work firmly, so that no light shows between the stitches. The collar has 30 stitches and the top of the stem 36, so the collar slips inside with a little room.
- Colors. Stems, round by round. Rounds 1 to 9: E. Rounds 10 to 20: A. The top of each cap is in its own color, B, C or D; the underside, the collar and the spots are in A.

Instructions

US terms.

sc single crochet (UK double crochet), **MR** magic ring, **st** stitch, **rnd** round.
sc2tog 2 sc made into one. **BLO**: only the loop away from you. **yo** yarn over the hook, **RS** right side, the one that shows.
2 sc in next st: both in one stitch. **sc in next 3 sts**: one in each.
[ ] 6 times: work what is inside 6 times in all.
(6 sc): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Stem: make 3

Yarns in order of use: E, moss green; A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(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)

> **Stop and measure now, after round 7.** The base should measure about 3 in (7.5 cm) across.

Sides

☐ **Rnd 8**	Sc in BLO of each st around	(42 sc)
☐ **Rnd 9**	Sc in each st around	(42 sc)
☐ **Rnd 10**	With A, sc in each st around	(42 sc)

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☐ **Rnds 11 to 12** 11 12	Sc in each st around	(42 sc)
☐ **Rnd 13**	**[**Sc in next 12 sts, sc2tog**] 3 times**	(39 sc)
☐ **Rnd 14**	Sc in each st around	(39 sc)
☐ **Rnd 15**	Sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog, **[**sc in next 11 sts, sc2tog**] 2 times**, sc in next 6 sts	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnds 16 to 20** 16 17 18 19 20	Sc in each st around	(36 sc)
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch to level the edge. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Domed cap

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

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(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 5 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**	(35 sc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 4 times**, sc in next 3 sts	(40 sc)
☐ **Rnd 8**	**[**Sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**	(45 sc)
☐ **Rnd 9**	Sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 14 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**, sc in next 7 sts	(48 sc)
☐ **Rnd 10**	**[**Sc in next 15 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	(51 sc)
☐ **Rnd 11**	Sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 16 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**, sc in next 8 sts	(54 sc)
☐ **Rnd 12**	**[**Sc in next 17 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	(57 sc)
☐ **Rnd 13**	Sc in next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 18 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**, sc in next 9 sts	(60 sc)
☐ **Rnds 14 to 15** 14 15	Sc in each st around	(60 sc)

Underside

☐ **Rnd 16**	With A, sc in BLO of each st around	(60 sc)
☐ **Rnd 17**	Sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog, **[**sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog**] 5 times**, sc in next 4 sts	(54 sc)
☐ **Rnd 18**	**[**Sc in next 7 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	(48 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 19**	Sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog, **[**sc in next 6 sts, sc2tog**] 5 times**, sc in next 3 sts	(42 sc)
☐ **Rnd 20**	**[**Sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnd 21**	Sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog, **[**sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog**] 5 times**, sc in next 2 sts	(30 sc)

Collar

☐ **Rnds 22 to 24** 22 23 24	Sc in each st around	(30 sc)
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch to level the edge. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Wide cap

Yarns in order of use: C, rust; A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(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 each st around	(54 sc)
☐ **Rnd 11**	Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sc in next 4 sts	(60 sc)
☐ **Rnd 12**	Sc in each st around	(60 sc)

Underside

☐ **Rnd 13**	With A, sc in BLO of each st around	(60 sc)
☐ **Rnd 14**	**[**Sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	(54 sc)
☐ **Rnd 15**	Sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog, **[**sc in next 7 sts, sc2tog**] 5 times**, sc in next 4 sts	(48 sc)
☐ **Rnd 16**	**[**Sc in next 6 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	(42 sc)
☐ **Rnd 17**	Sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog, **[**sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog**] 5 times**, sc in next 3 sts	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnd 18**	**[**Sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	(30 sc)

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Collar

☐ **Rnds 19 to 21** 19 20 21	Sc in each st around	(30 sc)
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch to level the edge. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Pointed cap

Yarns in order of use: D, plum; A, cream.

☐ **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, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	(9 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**, sc in next st	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**	(15 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**, sc in next 2 sts	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(24 sc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	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 8**	Sc in each st around	(30 sc)
☐ **Rnd 9**	Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sc in next 2 sts	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnd 10**	**[**Sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(42 sc)
☐ **Rnd 11**	Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sc in next 3 sts	(48 sc)
☐ **Rnd 12**	**[**Sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(54 sc)
☐ **Rnd 13**	Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sc in next 4 sts	(60 sc)
☐ **Rnd 14**	Sc in each st around	(60 sc)

Underside

☐ **Rnd 15**	With A, sc in BLO of each st around	(60 sc)
☐ **Rnd 16**	**[**Sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	(54 sc)
☐ **Rnd 17**	Sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog, **[**sc in next 7 sts, sc2tog**] 5 times**, sc in next 4 sts	(48 sc)
☐ **Rnd 18**	**[**Sc in next 6 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	(42 sc)
☐ **Rnd 19**	Sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog, **[**sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog**] 5 times**, sc in next 3 sts	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnd 20**	**[**Sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	(30 sc)

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Collar

☐ **Rnds 21 to 23** 21 22 23	Sc in each st around	(30 sc)
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch to level the edge. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Large spot: make 9

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 14 in (36 cm) for sewing. Weave the starting tail in on the wrong side.	

Small spot: make 9

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 10 in (25 cm) for sewing. Weave the starting tail in on the wrong side.	

Assembly

1. Weave in the tails of the stems and the caps on the inside. Each cap turns in at its edge, where the round in BLO leaves a ridge, so that the cream underside lies flat below the colored top; the last 3 rounds, the collar, stand straight down from the middle of it. Pinch the ridge and the fold above the collar with your fingers.

2. Each cap has 3 large and 3 small spots. Pin them on: on the domed cap the middles of the large spots are on round 8, 15 stitches apart, and those of the small spots on round 12, 19 stitches apart; on the wide cap the middles of the large spots are on round 6, 12 stitches apart, and those of the small spots on round 10, 18 stitches apart; on the pointed cap the middles of the large spots are on round 9, 12 stitches apart, and those of the small spots on round 13, 20 stitches apart. Set each small spot halfway between two large ones.

3. Sew each spot on with its own tail, right side out, with one small stitch through each stitch of its last round. The stitches should not draw the cap in.

4. Set the collar of each cap inside the top of a stem.

Finishing

- Weave every tail that is left in on the inside.

In all: 24 pieces; 4,800 stitches (672 in each stem, 960 in the domed cap, 804 in the wide cap, 804 in the pointed cap, 18 in each large spot, 6 in each small spot).

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