Pineapple plastic bag holder

US terms



Finished size

About 20½ in (52 cm) around and 12¼ in (31 cm) tall, and 16¼ in (41.5 cm) with the crown, for used plastic bags, the hanging loop not counted

Skill

Intermediate

It is single crochet in unjoined rounds; one round in three has long post stitches in a second color, and the leaves are sewn on.

Yarn

Medium (4), 4 colors

Hook

5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge

14 stitches and 15 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)

In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn A: golden yellow, the fruit	**about 225 yd (206 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: mustard, the lattice	**about 50 yd (46 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: leaf green, the long leaves and the hanging loop	**about 65 yd (59 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: spring green, the short leaves	**about 40 yd (37 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 190 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Fiber: cotton or acrylic

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: round elastic about 1/8 in (0.3 cm) thick, 11 in (28 cm) of it, 2 stitch markers, pins, a clean cotton cloth, for pressing the leaves, 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

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

The post stitches reach down over three rounds and do not change the height of the rounds: count all rounds 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 4 the foot should measure about 6¾ in (17 cm) around, laid flat and not stretched, measured across and doubled. 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

- Join the foundation chain of the fruit into a ring with a slip stitch, and take care that it is not twisted. Chain 1, which does not count as a stitch, and work the first single crochet (UK double crochet) of round 1 into the first chain, the one that has the slip stitch in it, then one into each of the other chains.
- The rounds of the fruit are not joined: work in a spiral, and move a marker up to the first stitch of each round. The right side, the outside, faces you in every round.
- The lattice. Rounds 19 to 43 have a post stitch round every third round, with two plain rounds in A between. The two post stitches of a pair stand next to each other and lean apart below. In round 19 they go round the posts of single crochet 3 rounds below; in every round of them after that the stitch you come to 3 rounds below is always a post stitch: in round 22, for one, it is a post stitch of round 19. Work them loosely, so that they do not pull.
- Two colors in one round. The post stitches are B and all the rest is A: draw the new color through as the last yarn over of the stitch before it. In these rounds lay the color that is not in use along the top of the round before and work over it, all the way round, so that it is carried inside the stitches. In the two plain rounds leave B hanging on the inside, and bring it up loosely to the next round of post stitches. Cut it after the last of them, 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.
- The chain of 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch. The hanging loop is worked in rows.
- Colors. Fruit. Rounds 1 to 18: A. Round 19: A and B. Rounds 20 to 21: A. Round 22: A and B. Rounds 23 to 24: A. Round 25: A and B. Rounds 26 to 27: A. Round 28: A and B. Rounds 29 to 30: A. Round 31: A and B. Rounds 32 to 33: A. Round 34: A and B. Rounds 35 to 36: A. Round 37: A and B. Rounds 38 to 39: A. Round 40: A and B. Rounds 41 to 42: A. Round 43: A and B. Rounds 44 to 51: A. The long leaves and the hanging loop are C, the short leaves D.

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), **tr** treble crochet (UK double treble), **st** stitch, **sp** space, **rnd** round.
sc2tog 2 sc made into one, **yo** yarn over the hook, **sk** skip, **RS** right side, the one that shows.
2 sc in next st: both in one stitch. **sc in next 4 sts**: one in each. **ch-1 sp**: the gap under the one chain; the hook goes in the gap.
[ ] 8 times: work what is inside 8 times in all.
(24 sc): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Special stitches

lpl (Left-leaning post stitch): It leans to the left: its foot is at the right, and its top at the left. Yarn over 3 times. From the stitch you would work next go straight down to the stitch under it in the round 3 rounds before the one you are working: there go 2 stitches back, to your right. Take the hook from the front round the back of the post of the stitch you come to, and out at the front again; yo and draw up a loop as tall as the round you are working; [yo, pull through 2 loops] 4 times. Leave the next stitch of the round below unworked, behind the post stitch.

lpr (Right-leaning post stitch): It leans to the right: its foot is at the left, and its top at the right. Yarn over 3 times. From the stitch you would work next go straight down to the stitch under it in the round 3 rounds before the one you are working: there go 2 stitches on, to your left. Take the hook from the front round the back of the post of the stitch you come to, and out at the front again; yo and draw up a loop as tall as the round you are working; [yo, pull through 2 loops] 4 times. Leave the next stitch of the round below unworked, behind the post stitch.

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Fruit

Yarns in order of use: A, golden yellow; B, mustard.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 24, sl st in first ch to form a ring.	

Foot

☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, sc in each ch around	(24 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Sc in each st around	(24 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**Sc in next 2 sts, ch 1, sk next st**] 8 times**	(16 sc, 8 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**Sc in next 2 sts, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 8 times**	(24 sc)

Stop and measure now, after round 4. The foot should measure about 6¾ in (17 cm) around.

Base

☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(30 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	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 7**	**[**Sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(42 sc)
☐ **Rnd 8**	Sc in each st around	(42 sc)
☐ **Rnd 9**	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 10**	**[**Sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(54 sc)
☐ **Rnd 11**	Sc in each st around	(54 sc)
☐ **Rnd 12**	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 13**	**[**Sc in next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(66 sc)
☐ **Rnd 14**	Sc in each st around	(66 sc)
☐ **Rnd 15**	Sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sc in next 5 sts	(72 sc)
☐ **Rnds 16 to 18**	Sc in each st around	(72 sc)

16 17 18

Lattice

☐ **Rnd 19**	**[**Sc in next 2 sts, with B, lpl in next st, lpr in next st, with A, sc in next 2 sts**] 12 times**	(48 sc, 12 lpl, 12 lpr)
☐ **Rnds 20 to 21**	Sc in each st around	(72 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 22**	With B, lpr in next st, with A, sc in next 4 sts, **[**with B, lpl in next st, lpr in next st, with A, sc in next 4 sts**] 11 times**, with B, lpl in next st	(12 lpr, 48 sc, 12 lpl)

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☐ **Rnd 23**	With A, sc in each st around	(72 sc)
☐ **Rnd 24**	Sc in each st around	(72 sc)
☐ **Rnd 25**	**[**Sc in next 2 sts, with B, lpl in next st, lpr in next st, with A, sc in next 2 sts**] 12 times**	(48 sc, 12 lpl, 12 lpr)
☐ **Rnds 26 to 27** 26 27	Sc in each st around	(72 sc)
☐ **Rnd 28**	With B, lpr in next st, with A, sc in next 4 sts, **[**with B, lpl in next st, lpr in next st, with A, sc in next 4 sts**] 11 times**, with B, lpl in next st	(12 lpr, 48 sc, 12 lpl)
☐ **Rnd 29**	With A, sc in each st around	(72 sc)
☐ **Rnd 30**	Sc in each st around	(72 sc)
☐ **Rnd 31**	**[**Sc in next 2 sts, with B, lpl in next st, lpr in next st, with A, sc in next 2 sts**] 12 times**	(48 sc, 12 lpl, 12 lpr)
☐ **Rnds 32 to 33** 32 33	Sc in each st around	(72 sc)
☐ **Rnd 34**	With B, lpr in next st, with A, sc in next 4 sts, **[**with B, lpl in next st, lpr in next st, with A, sc in next 4 sts**] 11 times**, with B, lpl in next st	(12 lpr, 48 sc, 12 lpl)
☐ **Rnd 35**	With A, sc in each st around	(72 sc)
☐ **Rnd 36**	Sc in each st around	(72 sc)
☐ **Rnd 37**	**[**Sc in next 2 sts, with B, lpl in next st, lpr in next st, with A, sc in next 2 sts**] 12 times**	(48 sc, 12 lpl, 12 lpr)
☐ **Rnds 38 to 39** 38 39	Sc in each st around	(72 sc)
☐ **Rnd 40**	With B, lpr in next st, with A, sc in next 4 sts, **[**with B, lpl in next st, lpr in next st, with A, sc in next 4 sts**] 11 times**, with B, lpl in next st	(12 lpr, 48 sc, 12 lpl)
☐ **Rnd 41**	With A, sc in each st around	(72 sc)
☐ **Rnd 42**	Sc in each st around	(72 sc)
☐ **Rnd 43**	**[**Sc in next 2 sts, with B, lpl in next st, lpr in next st, with A, sc in next 2 sts**] 12 times**	(48 sc, 12 lpl, 12 lpr)

Shoulders

☐ **Rnd 44**	Sc in each st around	(72 sc)
☐ **Rnd 45**	**[**Sc in next 10 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	(66 sc)
☐ **Rnd 46**	Sc in next 4 sts, sc2tog, **[**sc in next 9 sts, sc2tog**] 5 times**, sc in next 5 sts	(60 sc)
☐ **Rnd 47**	**[**Sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	(54 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 48**	Sc in next 3 sts, sc2tog, **[**sc in next 7 sts, sc2tog**] 5 times**, sc in next 4 sts	(48 sc)
☐ **Rnds 49 to 51**	Sc in each st around	(48 sc)
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch to level the edge. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

49 50 51

Long leaf: make 8

Yarn C, leaf green.

The leaf is one round along both sides of its chain, worked firmly so that it stands. The joined end is its foot, and the 3 sc in one chain make its point.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 19.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc in next ch, dc in next 2 chs, tr in next 7 chs, dc in next 2 chs, hdc in next 2 chs, sc in next 2 chs, 3 sc in last ch, working along the other side of the foundation ch, sc in next 2 chs, hdc in next 2 chs, dc in next 2 chs, tr in next 7 chs, dc in next 2 chs, hdc in next ch, sc in next ch, sl st in first sc to join	(9 sc, 6 hdc, 8 dc, 14 tr)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 16 in (40.5 cm) for sewing.	

Short leaf: make 8

Yarn D, spring green.

The leaf is one round along both sides of its chain, worked firmly so that it stands. The joined end is its foot, and the 3 sc in one chain make its point.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 14.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc in next ch, dc in next ch, tr in next 5 chs, dc in next ch, hdc in next ch, sc in next 2 chs, 3 sc in last ch, working along the other side of the foundation ch, sc in next 2 chs, hdc in next ch, dc in next ch, tr in next 5 chs, dc in next ch, hdc in next ch, sc in next ch, sl st in first sc to join	(9 sc, 4 hdc, 4 dc, 10 tr)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 16 in (40.5 cm) for sewing.	

Hanging loop

Yarn C, leaf green.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 4.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(3 sc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 44**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(3 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 16 in (40.5 cm) to sew one end. To sew the other end, cut a new length of the same yarn, also 16 in (40.5 cm).	

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29
30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44

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Assembly

1. Weave in the tails of the fruit, those of B too, on the inside. Weave in the starting tail of each leaf along its chain on the wrong side and the starting tail of the loop. Leave the long tail of each leaf and of the loop. Now lay all the leaves flat, right side up, each with its chain straight, cover them with a damp cloth, smooth them with your hands and leave them under it until cloth and leaves are dry.

2. The elastic. Cut 11 in (28 cm) of round elastic and thread it on the yarn needle. Begin at any chain-1 space of round 3: take the needle in through that space to the inside and out through the next, in and out through all 8 spaces, so that the end of the elastic comes out of the last space beside the one where you began. Both ends are now on the outside, in two spaces that are neighbors. Draw them up until the opening is about 1 in (2.5 cm) across, tie the ends in a firm double knot, cut them off ½ in (1.5 cm) from the knot and push the knot and the ends in through the nearest space to the inside.

3. The last round of the fruit has 48 stitches. Put a marker in its last stitch: this is the middle of the back. All the leaves are sewn to the outside of the last 3 rounds, right side out, with the foot at the lower edge of those 3 rounds and the point up. Pin it. Each is sewn with its own tail, which hangs at one corner of its foot, and the sewing begins there. Each stitch goes up through the leaf at the place named and down through the fruit beside the edge of the leaf. First 3 stitches across the foot: through the side of the single crochet at the first corner, through the end of the chain, and through the side of the single crochet at the second corner. Then 3 up the side from that corner, as far as the edge of the fruit: under both top loops of that single crochet, of the half double crochet (UK half treble) after it and of the double crochet (UK treble) after that. Run the needle on the inside down to the first corner and work 3 up the other side in the same way. Fasten off on the inside and take the pins out.

4. The long leaves are the inner ring, against the fruit. Sew on the 8 of them, the middle of the first on the 3rd stitch after the marker and the next every 6 stitches. When all are on, take a new length of C 40 in (101.5 cm) long and join each long leaf to the next one above the edge of the fruit, with 3 whip stitches in their sides, so that the ring of leaves stands up. Whip stitch: put the needle through both edges from back to front, one stitch for each stitch, and draw the yarn snug. Run the yarn down from one join to the next through the last round of the fruit. Fasten off on the inside.

5. The short leaves are the outer ring. Sew them on in the same way, right side out, over the feet of the long ones, each between two long leaves: the middle of the first on the marked stitch and the next every 6 stitches. They are not joined to each other and bend outward.

6. The hanging loop. Both its ends are sewn to the inside of the back of the fruit, next to each other, one at each side of the marker, over the last 5 rounds, the loop standing up inside the ring of leaves. The right side of the loop is toward you on both ends as you look into the fruit. With the long tail sew the end that has it down along its short edge and up both its sides: bring the needle through the loop one stitch in from its edge and through the fruit, one stitch for each stitch and row, over 5 rows. Sew the other end in the same way with the new length. Fasten off on the inside and take the marker out.

7. Weave in all the tails that are left on the inside.

Finishing

- Bend the points of the long leaves outward and the short leaves down over the shoulders with your fingers.

In all: 18 pieces.

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