Strawberry pot grabber mitts

US terms



Finished size
About 6 in (15 cm) wide and 10¾ in (27.5 cm) long and ¼ in (0.5 cm)

Skill
Easy

Yarn
Medium (4), 3 colors

Hook
4 mm (US G-6)

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

You will need

Yarn A: red, the berries and the bases	**about 290 yd (265 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: green, the middle of the bases, the caps and the loops	**about 80 yd (73 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: white, the seeds	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**

Hook: 4 mm (US G-6), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: 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.

Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
sl st	slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
hdc	half double crochet (UK htr, half treble)
dc	double crochet (UK tr, treble)
tr	treble crochet (UK dtr, double treble)
ch	chain stitch
RS	right side
Rnd	round
st	stitch

Special stitches

sc2tog (Single crochet 2 together (UK dc2tog)): Insert the hook in the next st, yarn over and draw up a loop, insert the hook in the st after it, yarn over and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on the hook. It makes 1 st of 2.

straight stitch: Bring the needle up from the wrong side at one point and take it down at the other.

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picot: Picot: ch 3, sl st in the 3rd ch from the hook. It stands on the stitch before it, is not counted among the stitches and is not worked into.

Gauge

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

After Row 16 of the first base, its widest row is about 6 in (15 cm) (24 stitches) across.

Use any hook that gives you this. If you count more stitches than this in 4 in (10 cm), change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, to a smaller one.

Before you start

- Use cotton yarn: synthetic yarn can melt on a hot pan. Use the mitts dry, for a short hold; heat comes through a damp mitt at once and through any crochet in time.
- The bases, pockets and caps are worked in rows and turned. The ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch. The odd rows of the bases and pockets have the right side facing.
- To change color, work the last stitch of the row before the change until its last loops are on the hook, then draw the new color through them. Cut the old color, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm), unless it comes back within 2 rows: then let it wait at that edge.
- In the edging, change color in the same way: work the last stitch before the change until its last loops are on the hook and draw the new color through them. Lay the red along the green rows and work over it; do the same with the green.
- The figures in brackets at the end of a line are the stitches it has.

Instructions

Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. Round brackets ( ) inside a line hold stitches that all go into one place. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a row is done. In UK terms sc is double crochet, sl st is slip stitch, hdc is half treble, dc is treble and tr is double treble.

Base: make 4

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

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 5.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each ch across	**(4 sc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in each st across	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(14 sc)**
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(14 sc)**
☐ **Row 7**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 12 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(16 sc)**
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(16 sc)**
☐ **Row 9**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 14 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(18 sc)**

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☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Row 11**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 16 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(20 sc)**
☐ **Row 12**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(20 sc)**
☐ **Row 13**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 18 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(22 sc)**
☐ **Row 14**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(22 sc)**
☐ **Row 15**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 20 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Row 16**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Row 17**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Row 18**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Row 19**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Row 20**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Row 21**	With B, ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Row 22**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Row 23**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Row 24**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Row 25**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Row 26**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Row 27**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Row 28**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Row 29**	With A, ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Row 30**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Row 31**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Row 32**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Row 33**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Row 34**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Row 35**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in next 20 sts, sc2tog	**(22 sc)**
☐ **Row 36**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(22 sc)**
☐ **Row 37**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in next 18 sts, sc2tog	**(20 sc)**
☐ **Row 38**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(20 sc)**
☐ **Row 39**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in next 16 sts, sc2tog	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Row 40**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Row 41**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in next 14 sts, sc2tog	**(16 sc)**

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☐ **Row 42**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(16 sc)**
☐ **Row 43**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in next 12 sts, sc2tog	**(14 sc)**
☐ **Row 44**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(14 sc)**
☐ **Row 45**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in next 10 sts, sc2tog	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Row 46**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Row 47**	Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in next 6 sts, sc2tog	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Row 48**	Ch 1, turn, **[**sc2tog**] 4 times**	**(4 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Pocket: make 4

Yarn A, red.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 5.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each ch across	**(4 sc)**
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in each st across	**(8 sc)**
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(14 sc)**
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(14 sc)**
☐ **Row 7**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 12 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(16 sc)**
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(16 sc)**
☐ **Row 9**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 14 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Row 11**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 16 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(20 sc)**
☐ **Row 12**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(20 sc)**
☐ **Row 13**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 18 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(22 sc)**
☐ **Row 14**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(22 sc)**
☐ **Row 15**	Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 20 sts, 2 sc in next st	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Row 16**	Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rows 17 to 20**	Repeat row 16. (24 sc)	

A box for each row, 17 to 20: tick them off as you go.

☐ 17 ☐ 18 ☐ 19 ☐ 20

☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

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Cap: make 4

Yarn B, green.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, ch 25, leaving a tail of 22 in (56 cm) at the start to sew with.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each ch across	**(24 sc)**

The next row makes the 4 leaves.

☐ **Row 2 (RS)**	Ch 1, turn, **[**sl st in next st, hdc in next st, (dc, tr) in next st, picot, (tr, dc) in next st, hdc in next st, sl st in next st**] 4 times**	**(8 sl sts, 8 hdc, 8 dc, 8 tr, 4 picots)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 16 in (40.5 cm) to sew with.	

Edging: make 2

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

☐ **Foundation**	Lay the layers together as told under Layers, in Finishing, and work through all of them at once. With the pockets facing, join A with a sl st in the first of 104 places, beginning at the end of Row 1 and going up the side: 48 row ends of the base, then 4 stitches of the base, then 48 row ends of the base, then 4 chains of the base.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Sc in same st as the join, sc in end of each of next 19 rows, with B, sc in end of each of next 8 rows, with A, sc in end of each of next 20 rows, 2 sc in each of next 4 sts, sc in end of each of next 20 rows, with B, sc in end of each of next 8 rows, with A, sc in end of each of next 20 rows, 2 sc in each of next 4 chs	**(112 sc)**
☐ **End**	Sl st in the first sc. Fasten off.	

Hanging loop: make 2

Yarn B, green.

☐ **Foundation**	With B, ch 19, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm) at the start to sew with.	
☐ **Row 1**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each ch across	**(18 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 8 in (20.5 cm) to sew with.	

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Finishing

- Work the finishing in this order; the edging is worked in the fourth step.
- Caps: the leaves of a cap hang down over the berry. With the right side of the cap and of a pocket facing, lay the foundation chain of the cap along the last row of the pocket, which is its straight edge, with the leaves pointing to Row 1. With the tail at the start, sew each of the 24 chains to a stitch of that row. With the other tail, catch each of the 4 picots and each of the 3 dips between two leaves down with 1 small stitch. Do the same with the other three.
- Seeds, on each pocket, with C: a seed is 3 straight stitches in the same two holes, from the lower edge of a row straight up to its upper edge, between two stitches. Counting the stitches from either side, work them here: Row 4 (12 stitches), between 6 and 7; Row 7 (16 stitches), between 4 and 5, between 8 and 9, between 12 and 13; Row 10 (18 stitches), between 3 and 4, between 7 and 8, between 11 and 12, between 15 and 16; Row 13 (22 stitches), between 3 and 4, between 7 and 8, between 11 and 12, between 15 and 16, between 19 and 20. Fasten off on the wrong side.
- Layers, for each mitt: lay two bases together, wrong sides inside, edge on edge, Row 1 on Row 1. On one face lay two pockets, right sides up: the tip of one on Row 1 of the bases and the tip of the other on Row 48, so that the row ends of the pockets lie on those of the bases and the caps look at each other across the 8 green rows. Pin the edges. The two pockets stay open where the caps are.
- Work the edging of each mitt through all the layers: 3 where there is a pocket, 2 between the pockets. At Row 48 the pocket has its foundation chain over the last row of the bases: work through both.
- Hanging loop: fold the strip in half and sew its two ends side by side to the edging, at the middle of one long side, over the 2 middle green stitches.
- Weave in every tail between the layers. To use, put the fingers into one pocket and the thumb into the other, and pinch. The mitt folds along the middle of the green rows.

In all: 16 pieces.

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