Pot handle covers, set of two

Regular · US terms



Finished size
About 3¼ × 4 in (8 × 10 cm)
About 3¼ in (8.5 cm) wide and 4 in (10 cm) tall each, laid flat with the edging and without the tab

Skill
Easy
Two flat rectangles are joined by their edging, and a small tab is sewn on.

Yarn
Medium (4), 2 colors

Hook
4.5 mm (US 7)

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

You will need

Yarn A: terracotta, the panel **about 55 yd (50 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: cream, edging and tabs **about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**
Fiber: cotton
Hook: 4.5 mm (US 7), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: two buttons about 5/8 in (1.5 cm) across, 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
Regular (this file)	**3¼ × 4 in (8 × 10 cm)**	**about 80 yd (73 m)**
Wide	4¼ × 4 in (11 × 10 cm)	about 100 yd (91 m)

For your own crochet, gifts and handmade pieces you sell. Do not resell or share this PDF or copies of it.

Abbreviations

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

ch	chain stitch
sl st	slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
sc2tog	single crochet 2 stitches together (UK dc2tog)
st	stitch
sp	space
sk	skip (UK miss)
rnd	round
RS	right side

Gauge

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

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 and rows over 4 in (10 cm) in its middle. There should be 16 stitches and 18 rows. 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.

Swatch foundation	Ch 25.	
Swatch row 1 (RS)	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(24 sc)**
Swatch rows 2 to 27	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(24 sc)**

Before you start

- The chain of 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.
- The chain of 1 at the start of the edging does not count as a stitch. Its round is joined with a slip stitch in its first stitch.
- The second cover is the same as the first. Both faces of a cover are right sides.
- Measure the handle between its two ends, where it meets the pot, and choose a cover that is not wider than that. The covers go round a handle of 1¾ in (4.5 cm) to 2¼ in (5.5 cm) round; for a thicker handle work 2 rows more in every panel, which add about ½ in (1.5 cm). The edging then has sc in the end of each of 18 rows along each side in place of 16, and 4 single crochet more in all. The tab and its place and the place of the button stay as they are, counted from the two edges.
- Cotton is used because it does not melt. The covers are for lifting a warm pot and for a better hold: take the covers off while the pot is over a flame or in the oven, keep them dry, and where a handle is very hot use a thick potholder as well.
- Whip stitch: put the needle through both edges from back to front, one stitch for each stitch or row, and draw the yarn snug.

For your own crochet, gifts and handmade pieces you sell. Do not resell or share this PDF or copies of it.

Instructions

Chosen: Regular. 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 sl st is slip stitch, sc is double crochet, sc2tog is dc2tog and sk is miss.

Panel: make 4

Yarn A, terracotta.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 13.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 16**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(12 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 16: tick them off as you go.

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Edging: make 2

Yarn B, cream.

Work through both panels at every stitch: under both loops of the two last rows, through the row ends of both along the sides, and through both foundation chains. Begin at the right-hand corner of the last row; each corner stitch has three single crochet.

☐ **Foundation**	Two panels, the wrong sides together and both last rows at the top, held as one piece of 12 stitches and 16 rows; turn it so that a right side faces you.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Join B with sl st in first st, ch 1, 3 sc in same st, sc in next 10 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in end of each of next 16 rows, 3 sc in next ch, sc in next 10 chs, 3 sc in next ch, sc in end of each of next 16 rows, sl st in first sc to join	**(64 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Tab: make 2

Yarn B, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 7.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 9**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(6 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 9: tick them off as you go.

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 2 sts, ch 2, sk next 2 sts, sc in next 2 sts	**(4 sc, 1 ch-2 sp)**
☐ **Row 11**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next ch-2 sp, sc in next 2 sts	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Row 12**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog	**(4 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Assembly

1. Work the edging first on both pairs of panels, and weave in the tails of the panels and the edging, drawing their ends in between the two layers. Each piece is now one cover. The edge with the last rows is the button edge, and the edge with the foundation chains is the tab edge. Choose one face of each cover as the outside.

For your own crochet, gifts and handmade pieces you sell. Do not resell or share this PDF or copies of it.

2. For each tab cut a length of B about 18 in (45.5 cm) long. Lay the cover with its inside up. Lay the tab on it, its wrong side up, so that its right side will be seen when it is buttoned, and so that the foundation chain of the tab lies along the line between the second and the third row of the panel from the tab edge, its 6 stitches over the middle 6 of the 12 stitches, and its buttonhole end out past the tab edge. Begin with a tail of 4 in (10 cm) at the outer edge of the edging, where one side of the tab crosses it: whip stitch along that side to the corner of the foundation chain, along the 6 chains, and along the other side back to the outer edge of the edging. Take the stitches through the inner layer and the edging, so that none shows on the outside. Fasten off and weave in both tails, and those of the tab.

3. With a length of A about 10 in (25.5 cm) long sew a button to the outside of each cover, through both layers: in the middle of the 12 stitches, between the fourth and the fifth row of the panel from the button edge. Draw the ends in between the layers.

4. To put a cover on, lay it over the handle of the pot with its outside up and the tab edge between the handle and the pot. Bring both edges together under the handle, take the tab on under the handle to the front, and button it.

Finishing

- Press the edging flat with the fingers.

In all: 6 pieces; 1,032 stitches (192 in each panel, 64 in each edging, 68 in each tab).

Found a mistake in this pattern? Tell us at flossfield.com, under Make a request.

For your own crochet, gifts and handmade pieces you sell. Do not resell or share this PDF or copies of it.