Square gingham basket

Medium · US terms



Finished size
About 7¾ in (19.5 cm) wide, 8¼ in (21 cm) long and 6 in (15 cm) tall

Skill
Intermediate
Two colors are used in each gingham round of the wall, the one not in use carried.

Yarn
Medium (4), 3 colors

Hook
5.5 mm (US I-9)

Gauge
13 stitches and 14 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: white, main color	**about 120 yd (110 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: sky blue, contrast color	**about 90 yd (82 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: cornflower, contrast color	**about 65 yd (59 m), an estimate**

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 5.5 mm (US I-9). Also: 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. The estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Small	6 in (15 cm) wide, 6½ in (16.5 cm) long	about 155 yd (142 m)
Medium (this file)	**7¾ in (19.5 cm) wide, 8¼ in (21 cm) long**	**about 275 yd (251 m)**

Abbreviations

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

ch	chain stitch	
sc	single crochet	(UK dc, double crochet)
BLO	back loop only	
st	stitch	
rnd	round	
RS	right side	
WS	wrong side	

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Gauge

13 stitches and 14 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

There should be 13 stitches and 14 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.

The pattern also stops you to measure after row 27.

The swatch. A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. Work a swatch before you begin: ch 21; row 1, sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across (20 sc); rows 2 to 21, ch 1, turn, sc in each st across (20 sc). Lay it flat and count the stitches and rows over 4 in (10 cm) in its middle.

Swatch foundation	Ch 21.	
Swatch row 1 (RS)	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(20 sc)**
Swatch rows 2 to 21	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(20 sc)**

Before you start

- The chain of 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.
- Round 1 of the walls goes all round the base: along the last row, down the row ends, along the foundation chain, and back up the other row ends. It lies flat and makes the base a little larger; the walls turn up in round 2. The walls are worked in a spiral; move a marker up to the first stitch of each round.
- Where the pattern says BLO, put the hook under the back loop only; the front loop stays on the outside as a ridge.
- Tapestry crochet: where two or more colors share a round, lay the color or colors of that round not in use along the top of the round before and work over them, all the way round, so that they are carried inside the stitches.
- To change color, at the start of a round or inside it, draw the new yarn through as the last yarn over of the stitch before. Where two or more colors share a round, cut nothing at a change: the color you leave is carried. Once a color is no longer in the rounds: where only one or two rounds are worked before it is used again, carry it loosely up the inside; where more are worked, or it is not used again, cut it, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).
- Colors of the walls, round by round. Rounds 1 to 2: A. Rounds 3 to 5: A and B. Rounds 6 to 8: B and C. Rounds 9 to 11: A and B. Rounds 12 to 14: B and C. Rounds 15 to 17: A and B. Rounds 18 to 20: B and C. Rounds 21 to 22: C.

Instructions

Chosen: Medium. Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. 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.

Base

Yarn A, white.

☐	**Foundation**	Ch 25.	
☐	**Row 1 (WS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(24 sc)**
☐	**Rows 2 to 27**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(24 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 27: tick them off as you go. The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

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**

Stop and measure now, after row 27. After row 27 the base should measure about 7½ in (19 cm) wide and 7¾ in (19.5 cm) long.

☐	**End**	Do not fasten off.

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Walls

Yarns in order of use: A, white; B, sky blue; C, cornflower.

☐ **Foundation**	The base just worked, 24 stitches and 27 rows; turn it so that the other side of the last row faces you.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, sc in next 24 sts, sc in end of each of next 27 rows, sc in next 24 chs, sc in end of each of next 27 rows	**(102 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(102 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 3 to 5**	**[**With A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, sc in next 3 sts**] 17 times**	**(102 sc)**

A box for each round, 3 to 5: tick them off as you go.

☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5

☐ **Rnds 6 to 8**	**[**With B, sc in next 3 sts, with C, sc in next 3 sts**] 17 times**	**(102 sc)**

A box for each round, 6 to 8: tick them off as you go.

☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8

☐ **Rnds 9 to 11**	**[**With A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, sc in next 3 sts**] 17 times**	**(102 sc)**

A box for each round, 9 to 11: tick them off as you go.

☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11

☐ **Rnds 12 to 14**	**[**With B, sc in next 3 sts, with C, sc in next 3 sts**] 17 times**	**(102 sc)**

A box for each round, 12 to 14: tick them off as you go.

☐ 12 ☐ 13 ☐ 14

☐ **Rnds 15 to 17**	**[**With A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, sc in next 3 sts**] 17 times**	**(102 sc)**

A box for each round, 15 to 17: tick them off as you go.

☐ 15 ☐ 16 ☐ 17

☐ **Rnds 18 to 20**	**[**With B, sc in next 3 sts, with C, sc in next 3 sts**] 17 times**	**(102 sc)**

A box for each round, 18 to 20: tick them off as you go.

☐ 18 ☐ 19 ☐ 20

☐ **Rnds 21 to 22**	Sc in each st around	**(102 sc)**

A box for each round, 21 to 22: tick them off as you go.

☐ 21 ☐ 22

☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch to level the edge. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Finishing

- Weave every tail in on the inside.

In all: 2 pieces; 2,892 stitches (648 in the base, 2,244 in the walls); 16 ends to weave in.

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