Strawberry mini tote

Small · US terms



Finished size
About 9¼ in (23.5 cm) wide laid flat and 8¾ in (22 cm) tall, with handles about 10¼ in (26 cm) long

Skill
Intermediate
Two or three colors are carried in the strawberry rounds.

Yarn
Medium (4), 3 colors

Hook
5 mm (US H-8)

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

You will need

Yarn A: cream, contrast color	**about 90 yd (82 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: strawberry, main color	**about 105 yd (96 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: leaf, contrast color	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8). 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 (this file)	**9¼ in (23.5 cm) wide, 8¾ in (22 cm) tall**	**about 215 yd (196 m)**
Medium	10¼ in (26 cm) wide, 9 in (23 cm) tall	about 245 yd (224 m)

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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)
st	stitch
sp	space
sk	skip (UK miss)
rnd	round
RS	right side

Gauge

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

If the piece measures more than that, begin again with a smaller hook; if it measures less, with a larger hook.

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 base should measure about 8 in (20.5 cm) long, laid flat and not stretched.

Before you start

- Round 1 is worked along both sides of the foundation chain: along one side, 3 stitches in the last chain, then back along the other side. From round 2 on, the increases stand at the two ends only.
- The rounds are not joined: work in a spiral, and move a marker up to the first stitch of each round.
- The handle round makes two handles: each is a chain that passes over skipped stitches, and the next round works one stitch into the chain space for every chain.
- 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, round by round. Rounds 1 to 4: B. Rounds 5 to 8: A. Rounds 9 to 12: A and B. Rounds 13 to 14: B and A. Rounds 15 to 16: B and C and A. Rounds 17 to 18: A and C. Rounds 19 to 20: A. Rounds 21 to 24: A and B. Rounds 25 to 26: B and A. Rounds 27 to 28: B and C and A. Rounds 29 to 30: A and C. Round 31: A. Rounds 32 to 37: B.

Instructions

Chosen: Small. 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 round is done. In UK terms sc is double crochet and sk is miss.

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

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 23.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 20 chs, 3 sc in last ch, working along the other side of the foundation ch, sc in next 20 chs, 2 sc in last ch	**(46 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 20 sts, 2 sc in each of next 3 sts, sc in next 20 sts, 2 sc in each of next 2 sts	**(52 sc)**

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☐ **Rnd 3**	2 sc in next st, sc in next st, sc in next 20 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 3 times**, sc in next 20 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(58 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 20 sts, **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**, sc in next 20 sts, **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(64 sc)**

Stop and measure now, after round 4. After round 4 the base should measure about 8 in (20.5 cm) long and 2¼ in (5.5 cm) wide.

Sides

☐ **Rnd 5**	With A, sc in each st around	**(64 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 6 to 8**	Sc in each st around	**(64 sc)**

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

6 7 8

☐ **Rnd 9**	**[**With A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, sc in next st, with A, sc in next 4 sts**] 8 times**	**(64 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 10**	**[**With A, sc in next 2 sts, with B, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts**] 8 times**	**(64 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 11**	**[**With A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next st, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 2 sts**] 8 times**	**(64 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 12**	**[**With A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next st, with A, sc in next 2 sts**] 8 times**	**(64 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 13**	**[**With B, sc in next st, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 5 sts, with A, sc in next st**] 8 times**	**(64 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 14**	**[**With B, sc in next 5 sts, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next st, with A, sc in next st**] 8 times**	**(64 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 15**	**[**With B, sc in next 3 sts, with C, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next st**] 8 times**	**(64 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 16**	**[**With B, sc in next st, with C, sc in next 5 sts, with B, sc in next st, with A, sc in next st**] 8 times**	**(64 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 17**	**[**With A, sc in next 2 sts, with C, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts**] 8 times**	**(64 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 18**	**[**With A, sc in next 3 sts, with C, sc in next st, with A, sc in next 4 sts**] 8 times**	**(64 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 19 to 20**	Sc in each st around	**(64 sc)**

A box for each round, 19 to 20: tick them off as you go.

19 20

☐ **Rnd 21**	**[**With A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, sc in next st, with A, sc in next 4 sts**] 8 times**	**(64 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 22**	**[**With A, sc in next 2 sts, with B, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts**] 8 times**	**(64 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 23**	**[**With A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next st, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 2 sts**] 8 times**	**(64 sc)**

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☐ **Rnd 24**	**[**With A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next st, with A, sc in next 2 sts**] 8 times**	**(64 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 25**	**[**With B, sc in next st, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 5 sts, with A, sc in next st**] 8 times**	**(64 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 26**	**[**With B, sc in next 5 sts, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next st, with A, sc in next st**] 8 times**	**(64 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 27**	**[**With B, sc in next 3 sts, with C, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next st**] 8 times**	**(64 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 28**	**[**With B, sc in next st, with C, sc in next 5 sts, with B, sc in next st, with A, sc in next st**] 8 times**	**(64 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 29**	**[**With A, sc in next 2 sts, with C, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts**] 8 times**	**(64 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 30**	**[**With A, sc in next 3 sts, with C, sc in next st, with A, sc in next 4 sts**] 8 times**	**(64 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 31**	Sc in each st around	**(64 sc)**

Top and handles

☐ **Rnd 32**	With B, sc in each st around	**(64 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 33**	Sc in each st around	**(64 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 34**	Sc in next 8 sts, ch 36, sk next 11 sts, sc in next 21 sts, ch 36, sk next 11 sts, sc in next 13 sts	**(42 sc, 2 ch-36 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 35**	Sc in next 8 sts, 36 sc in next ch-36 sp, sc in next 21 sts, 36 sc in next ch-36 sp, sc in next 13 sts	**(114 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 36 to 37**	Sc in each st around	**(114 sc)**

A box for each round, 36 to 37: tick them off as you go.

36 37

☐ **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: 37 rounds; 2,460 stitches; 6 ends to weave in.

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