Teddy bear basket

Medium · US terms



Finished size
About 8½ in (21.5 cm) across and 5¾ in (14.5 cm) tall

Skill
Easy
It is worked in rounds, with increases in the base.

Yarn
Bulky (5), 3 colors

Hook
6.5 mm (US K-10 1/2)

Gauge
10 stitches and 11 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: toffee brown, main color	**about 170 yd (155 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: cream, contrast color	**about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: dark brown, contrast color	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 6.5 mm (US K-10 1/2). Also: 2 stitch markers, 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	7 in (18 cm) across, 4¾ in (12 cm) tall	about 130 yd (119 m)
Medium (this file)	**8½ in (21.5 cm) across, 5¾ in (14.5 cm) tall**	**about 190 yd (174 m)**

Abbreviations

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

sc	single crochet	(UK dc, double crochet)
BLO	back loop only	
MR	magic ring	
st	stitch	
rnd	round	
RS	right side	

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Gauge

10 stitches and 11 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 11 the base should measure about 8½ in (21.5 cm) across, laid flat and not stretched.

Before you start

- Begin with a magic ring: wind the yarn once round two fingers, work round 1 into the loop, then pull the tail to draw the ring closed.
- The rounds are not joined: work in a spiral, and 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.
- Colors, round by round. Rounds 1 to 27: A.

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 round is done. In UK terms sc is double crochet.

Basket

Yarn A, toffee brown.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sc in next 2 sts	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sc in next 3 sts	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	**[**Sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sc in next 4 sts	**(54 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 10**	**[**Sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(60 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 11**	Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sc in next 5 sts	**(66 sc)**

> **Stop and measure now, after round 11.** After round 11 the base should measure about 8½ in (21.5 cm) across.

Sides

☐ **Rnd 12**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(66 sc)**

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☐ **Rnds 13 to 27**	Sc in each st around	**(66 sc)**

A box for each round, 13 to 27: tick them off as you go.

☐ 13 ☐ 14 ☐ 15 ☐ 16 ☐ 17 ☐ 18 ☐ 19 ☐ 20 ☐ 21 ☐ 22 ☐ 23 ☐ 24 ☐ 25 ☐ 26 ☐ 27

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

Ear: make 2

Yarn A, toffee brown.

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☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 14 in (35 cm) for sewing.	

Inner ear: make 2

Yarn B, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 12 in (30 cm) for sewing.	

Muzzle

Yarn B, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 24 in (60 cm) for sewing.	

Eye: make 2

Yarn C, dark brown.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 10 in (25 cm) for sewing.	

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Assembly

1. Lay the basket flat with the end of the last round at the middle of the back. Put a marker in the rim at the middle of the front, 33 stitches from the end of the round.

2. Sew an inner ear to one side of each ear, a little below the middle.

3. Sew the ears to the outside of the rim, inner ears to the front, the middle of each ear 7 stitches from the marker, one to each side, so that the two middles are 14 stitches apart and the upper two thirds of each ear stands above the rim.

4. The face is on the sides, where round 1 is the round worked in BLO. Sew the muzzle to the middle of the front, right side out, with its own middle on round 6 of the sides.

5. Sew the eyes above the muzzle, their middles on round 11 of the sides and 10 stitches apart, the same distance from the middle of the front.

6. With C, sew the nose on the upper half of the muzzle: 6 stitches lying side by side, the top three 1 in (2.5 cm) long and each one below them a little shorter. Sew one straight stitch ½ in (1.2 cm) long down from the middle of the nose, and from its lower end a stitch ½ in (1.2 cm) long out and a little up to each side.

Finishing

- Weave every tail in on the inside.
- Weave the starting tail of the magic ring in round the middle of the base.

In all: 8 pieces; 1,680 stitches (1,452 in the basket, 60 in each ear, 18 in each inner ear, 60 in the muzzle, 6 in each eye); 16 ends to weave in.

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