T-shirt yarn basket

Medium · US terms



Finished size
About 8¾ in (22 cm) across and 4½ in (11.5 cm) tall

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

Yarn
Super bulky (6), 2 colors

Hook
10 mm (US N/P-15)

Gauge
7 stitches and 8 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: charcoal, main color — **about 85 yd (78 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: mustard, contrast color — **about 15 yd (14 m), an estimate**
Fiber: jersey T-shirt
Hook: 10 mm (US N/P-15). 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	6½ in (16.5 cm) across, 3½ in (9 cm) tall	about 65 yd (60 m)
Medium (this file)	**8¾ in (22 cm) across, 4½ in (11.5 cm) tall**	**about 100 yd (92 m)**
Large	11 in (28 cm) across, 5½ in (14 cm) tall	about 150 yd (137 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

7 stitches and 8 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 8 the base should measure about 8¼ in (21 cm) across, laid flat and not stretched.

Before you start

- Begin with a magic ring: wind the yarn once round two fingers, put the hook through the ring, draw up a loop and chain 1 to hold it, which does not count as a stitch. Work round 1 into the ring, 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.
- To change color, draw the new yarn through as the last yarn over of the stitch before. Cut the old yarn, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm). Where only one or two rounds are worked before the old yarn is used again, do not cut it: carry it loosely up the inside.
- Colors, round by round. Rounds 1 to 15: A. Rounds 16 to 17: B.

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.

Yarns in order of use: A, charcoal; B, mustard.

☐ **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)**

Stop and measure now, after round 8. After round 8 the base should measure about 8¼ in (21 cm) across.

Sides

☐ **Rnd 9**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 10 to 15**	Sc in each st around	**(48 sc)**

A box for each round, 10 to 15: tick them off as you go.

☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12 ☐ 13 ☐ 14 ☐ 15

☐ **Rnd 16**	With B, sc in each st around	**(48 sc)**

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☐ **Rnd 17**	Sc in each st around	**(48 sc)**
☐ **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.
- Weave the starting tail of the magic ring in round the middle of the base.

In all: 17 rounds; 648 stitches; 4 ends to weave in.

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