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Crocheted Miniature Knitting Basket



This pattern is for a miniature crocheted knitting basket, with miniature balls of yarn and a miniature set of knitting needles with a knitting project. This pattern combines both knitting and crochet.

The miniature balls of yarn are light DK weight yarn. Each miniature ball of yarn measures approximately 3/4". The knitting needles are 4" toothpicks, with DK weight yarn knitting. The crocheted basket measures 2-1/4" across.

The skill level for this pattern is EASY - basic crochet and knitting skills required.



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Materials:

Size US-F/3.75mm Crochet Hook

Red Heart Soft - Off White

Lion Brand Baby Soft - Various Colors, Small Amounts

2 - 4" toothpicks

Aleene's Tacky Glue

Abbreviations:

- SC = Single Crochet
- HDC = Half Double Crochet
- DC = Double Crochet
- Ch = Chain
- Rnd(s) = Round(s)
- Beg = Beginning
- SL ST = Slip Stitch
- St(s) = Stitch(es)
- 2tog = Crochet 2 stitches together (decrease)
- * = Repeat stitches from * to end of *
- 2nd = Second

Pattern Notes:

- Worked in continuous rounds; do not join and do not turn unless specified.
- Use stitch marker to indicate beginning of rounds.
- Yarn listed is what I used - Size may vary with other yarns.

To Knit The Yarn:

Using the 4" toothpicks, CO 15 with Baby Soft yarn, any color. I chose lavender.

Knit across in garter st for 10 rows - do not cast off. Leave knit yarn on toothpick.



Basket:

With Off White Color Yarn, Ch 2

Rnd 1: Work 5 sc in 2nd ch from hook = 5 sc

Rnd 2: Work 2 sc in each sc = 10 sc

Rnd 3: *Sc in first sc, 2 sc in next sc*, repeat from * around = 15 sc

Rnd 4: *Sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc*, repeat from * around = 20 sc

Rnd 5: *Sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc*, repeat from * around = 25 sc

Rnd 6: *Sc in next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc*, repeat from * around = 30 sc

Rnd 7: *Sc in next 5 sc, 2 sc in next sc*, repeat from * around = 35 sc

Rnds 8-11: Sc in each sc

Rnd 12: *Work 1 HDC, 1 DC, 1 HDC in next st, sl st in 2nd ch from hook*, repeat from * around; you will have a total of 12 ruffles around top of basket.

Fasten off. Turn basket inside out (tail from starting ch will be on the inside). Weave in yarn.

TIP: I find it shapes better into a basket when turned inside out and you do not need to weave in the yarn.

To shape basket:

1. Place basket on flat surface.
2. With fingers, press sides down and flatten bottom. This will give the basket its shape.

To make yarn balls:

Select 4 different colors of yarn - wrap into small balls.

To set up yarn basket:

1. Pour glue into bottom of crocheted basket. (Fig 1)
2. Spread the glue to edge and sides of basket.
3. Carefully arrange yarn balls over glue. (Fig 2)
4. When you place the miniature yarn balls into the basket, shape the basket into a square. (Fig 3)
5. Place toothpick with knit yarn on top of yarn balls. (Fig 4)

TIP: The glue will give the basket substance and will hold its shape.



Fig 1



Fig 2



Fig 3



Fig 4

Your Crocheted Miniature Knitting Basket is done!

Happy Crocheting (and Knitting) !

