FREE CROCHET PATTERN

Crochet Easter Basket

Sturdy striped sc basket with a handle · 5.7 in base, 4.9 in tall · US terms

SKILL LEVEL	SIZE	HOOK
Beginner	**5.7 in wide, 4.9 in tall**	**5 mm (US H-8)**
YARN	**GAUGE**	**TIME**
Worsted cotton, 4 colours	**4 sc × 4.5 rounds = 1 in**	**About 4 hours**

Materials

- Worsted (#4) cotton: cream 71 yd, mint 6 yd, pink 6 yd, yellow 6 yd
- 5 mm (US H-8) hook, stitch marker, tapestry needle

Abbreviations (US terms)

ch	chain	**BLO**	back loop only
sc	single crochet	**crab st**	reverse sc, worked left to right
sl st	slip stitch	**st(s)**	stitch(es)

Work in a continuous spiral with a marker. A firm tension makes the basket stand up on its own; if it is floppy, go down half a hook size.

Basket

Round 1	Make a magic ring, 6 sc into the ring. Do not join: work in a spiral and move a stitch marker up each round.	**(6)**
Round 2	2 sc in each st around.	**(12)**
Round 3	(Sc in the next 1 sts, 2 sc in the next st) 6 times.	**(18)**
Round 4	(Sc in the next 2 sts, 2 sc in the next st) 6 times.	**(24)**
Round 5	(Sc in the next 3 sts, 2 sc in the next st) 6 times.	**(30)**
Round 6	(Sc in the next 4 sts, 2 sc in the next st) 6 times.	**(36)**
Round 7	(Sc in the next 5 sts, 2 sc in the next st) 6 times.	**(42)**
Round 8	(Sc in the next 6 sts, 2 sc in the next st) 6 times.	**(48)**
Round 9	(Sc in the next 7 sts, 2 sc in the next st) 6 times.	**(54)**
Round 10	(Sc in the next 8 sts, 2 sc in the next st) 6 times.	**(60)**
Round 11	(Sc in the next 9 sts, 2 sc in the next st) 6 times.	**(66)**
Round 12	(Sc in the next 10 sts, 2 sc in the next st) 6 times.	**(72)**
Round 13	Sc in the back loop only of each st around. This turns the edge up into a wall.	**(72)**
Rounds 14–17	With cream: sc in each st around.	**(72)**
Rounds 18–19	With mint: sc in each st around. Change colour on the last st of the round before.	**(72)**

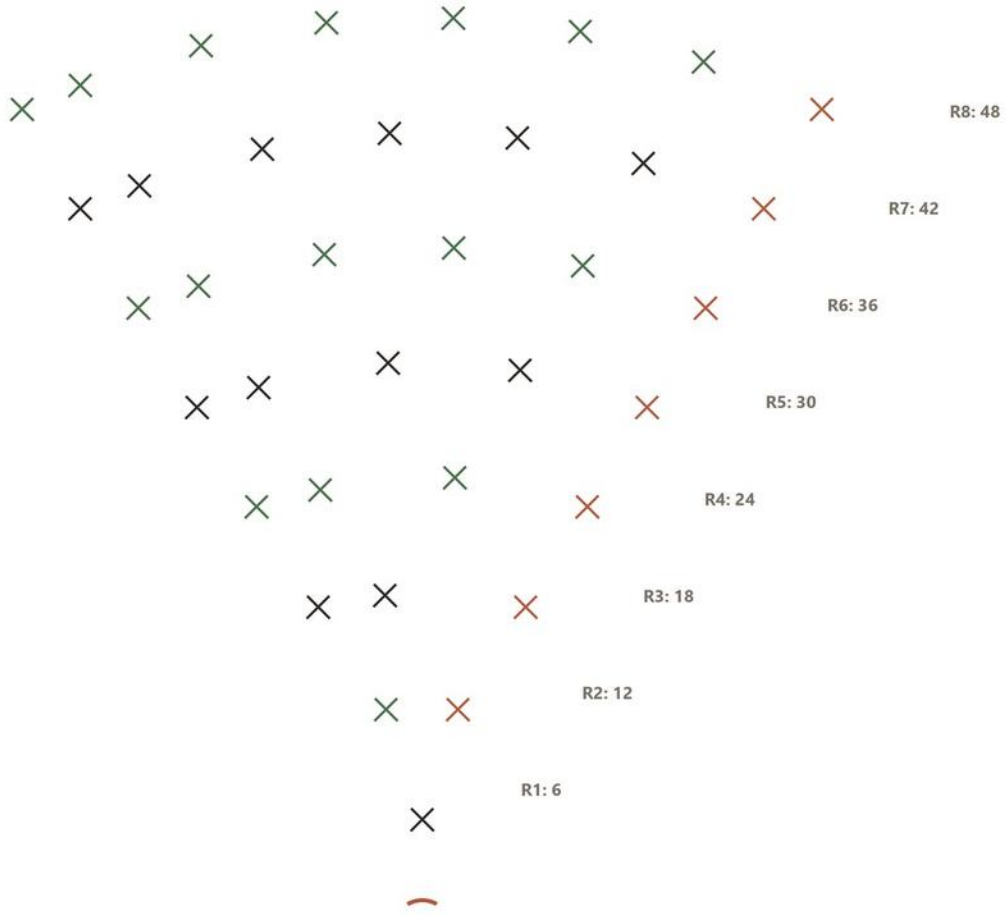
Rounds 20–21	With cream: sc in each st around. Change colour on the last st of the round before.	**(72)**
Rounds 22–23	With pink: sc in each st around. Change colour on the last st of the round before.	**(72)**
Rounds 24–25	With cream: sc in each st around. Change colour on the last st of the round before.	**(72)**
Rounds 26–27	With yellow: sc in each st around. Change colour on the last st of the round before.	**(72)**
Rounds 28–33	With cream: sc in each st around. Change colour on the last st of the round before.	**(72)**
Round 34	Sl st in the next st to even out the spiral, ch 1, then work reverse sc (crab stitch) in each st around, from left to right. Join and fasten off.	**(72)**

Handle

Row 1	With cream, ch 7. Sc in the 2nd ch from the hook and in each ch across. Turn.	**(6)**
Rows 2 on	Ch 1, sc in each st across. Turn. Repeat until the handle is 11 in long (about 50 rows). Fasten off with a long tail.	**(6)**
Attach	Sew each end inside the wall, centred over opposite sides: the ends sit 36 sts apart. Sew through 3 rounds for strength.	

Easter Basket · Base Chart

One sixth of the base (repeat 6 times). Work in a spiral: each round adds 6 sc.



x = sc orange x = the 2nd sc of an increase (2 sc in one st)

Keep going the same way to Round 12 (72 sts), then 1 round in back loops only

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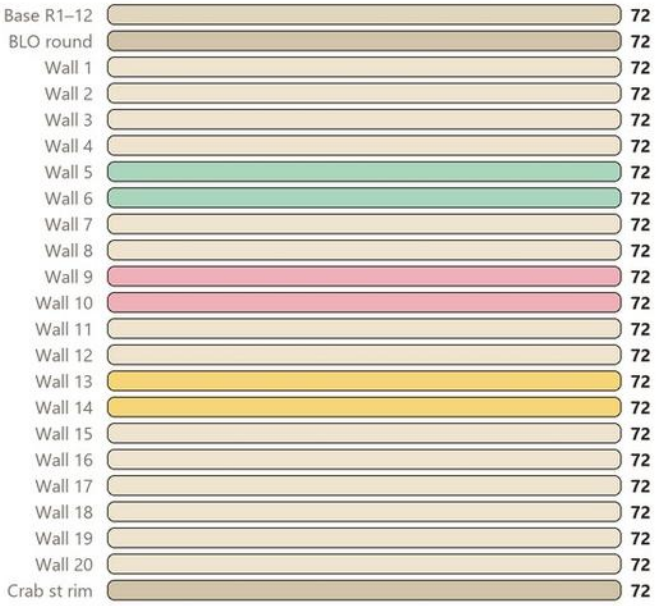
Easter Basket · Wall Colour Plan

72 sc every round after the base · stripes in mint, pink and yellow

Walls, bottom to top



Handle: 6 sc wide, 11 in long, sewn 36 sts apart

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