



COTTON DROPS
Santa's Basket
CY1933

MATERIALS

Cygnat Cotton Drops 200g A) Red Velvet 6000 x 4

B) Linen White 5666 x 2

C) Black Rock 5999 x 1

D) Merigold 5777 x 1

Crochet Hook: 5.5mm [US I-9] or any hook size to obtain tension

Plastic laundry basket: 16" (40 cm) tall x 60" (152 cm) in diameter

Stitch marker;

Yarn sewing needle.

Black Fabric lining

MEASUREMENTS

16" (40 cm) tall x 60" (152 cm) in diameter

TENSION: 14 sc = 4 in (10 cm)

ABBREVIATIONS

ch = chain;

mm = millimeters;

st(s) = stitch(es);

inc = increase;

sc = single crochet;

* or ** = repeat whatever follows the * or ** as indicated.

NOTES

1. Basket cover is worked from bottom to top. Popcorn trim is worked up from upper edge of basket cover and then sewn to top

2. Basket cover is worked in continuous rounds. Place a detachable marker at beginning of rounds to mark beginning and end of rounds and move up as work progresses

SPECIAL STITCHES: popcorn = 3 dc in same st, drop loop from hook, insert hook from front to back in first dc, draw dropped loop through st on hook.

INSTRUCTIONS

BASKET COVER Beginning at bottom, with A, make an adjustable ring.

Round 1: Ch 1, work 6 sc in ring—6 sc. Do not join, work in continuous rounds (spiral). Pull gently on tail to tighten ring. Place a marker for beginning of round. Move marker up as each round is completed.

Round 2: Work 2 sc in each sc around—12 sc.

Round 3: *2 sc in next st, sc in next st; repeat from * around—18 sc.

Round 4: *Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc; repeat from * around—24 sc.

Round 5: *Sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc] 6 times—30 sc.

Round 6: *Sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 2 sc; repeat from * around—36 sc.

Round 7: *Sc in next 5 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—42 sc.

Round 8: *Sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 4 sc; repeat from * around—48 sc.

Round 9: *Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 6 sc; repeat from * around—54 sc.

Round 10: *Sc in next 6 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 2 sc; repeat from * around—60 sc.

Round 11: *Sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 6 sc; repeat from * around—66 sc.

Round 12: *Sc in next 10 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—72 sc.

Round 13: *Sc in next 6 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 5 sc; repeat from * around—78 sc.

Round 14: *Sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 10 sc; repeat from * around—84 sc.

Round 15: *Sc in next 10 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 3 sc; repeat from * around—90 sc.

Round 16: *Sc in next 7 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 7 sc; repeat from * around—96 sc.

Round 17: *Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 14 sc; repeat from * around—102 sc.

Round 18: *Sc in next 16 sc, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from * around—108 sc. At this point the circle should be close to the diameter of the base of basket – if not then work one or two more rounds in sc.

Round 19: Working in the back loops only, sc in each sc around. Work even in rounds of sc for 1" (2.5 cm) from base of Round 19.

Next round (increase): *2 sc in next st, sc in each of next 17 sts; repeat from * around—114 sc.

**Work even in rounds of sc for 1" (2.5 cm) from base of last round.

Next round (increase): Work in sc, increasing 6 evenly around—120 sts.**

Repeat from ** to ** 7 times—162 sc at end of last round.

Work even in rounds of sc until piece measures about 2" (5 cm) less than height of basket, complete last st with B. Fasten off A.

Popcorn Trim

Round 1 With B, sc in each st around—162 sc.

Round 2: *Popcorn in next st, sc in next st; repeat from * around—81 popcorns.

Round 3: Sc in each of next 161 sts, ending in the popcorn of previous round.

Rounds 4 – 7: Repeat last 2 rounds.

Fasten off B.

Buckle

Starting at side, with D, ch 13.

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across, turn—12 sc.

Rows 2–3: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Row 4: Ch 1, sc in each of first 3 sc, ch 6, skip next 6 sts, sc in each of last 3 sc, turn.

Row 5: Ch 1, sc in each of first 3 sc, 6 sc in next ch-6 sp, sc in each of last 3 sc, turn—12 sc.

Rows 6–9: Repeat Rows 2-5.

Rows 10–11: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Edging: With Right Side facing, slip st evenly around outer edge of Buckle. Fasten off.

Belt

With C, ch 6.

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across, turn—5 sc.

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn. Repeat Row 2 until Belt measures all the way around centre of basket when slightly stretched. Fasten off.

FINISHING

Weave in ends. Slip cover with popcorn trim coming over top of rim of basket. Sew a black fabric liner neatly to top edge of last round of popcorn trim. Insert one end of belt through belt buckle and sew to other end of belt. Tack join behind the belt buckle. Belt can be tacked to basket if necessary.

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