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CROCHET SKILL LEVEL EASY

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What you will need:
RED HEART ${ }^{\circledR}$ Super Saver Stripes ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ : $3(6,6)$ skeins 4971 Retro Stripe

Susan Bates ${ }^{\circledR}$ Crochet Hook 6.5mm [US K-10.5]

Yarn needle
GAUGE: 8 sts = 4" [10 cm]; $91 / 2$ rows $=4$ " [10 cm] in single crochet with 3 strands of yarn held together. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.

RED HEART ${ }^{*}$ Super Saver ${ }^{\text {® }}$, Art. E300 available in solid color 7 oz (198 g), 364 yds (333 m); stripes, prints, multis and heathers 5 oz (141 g), 236 yds ( 215 m ); flecks 5 oz (141 g), 260 yds ( 238 m ) skeins


## Striping Fun Crochet Baskets

Crocheted baskets make it fun to keep toys and prized possessions put away in a special storage place. These are crocheted with yarn that stripes all by itself, so there are few ends to weave in!

Directions are for size Small basket. Changes for Medium and Large baskets are in parentheses.

Small basket measures about 8" [20.5 cm ] tall and 30" [76 cm] circumference.

## Medium basket measures about

$10 "$ [25.5 cm] and 36" [91.5 cm] circumference.

Large basket measures about 12" [30.5 cm ] and 42" [106.5 cm] circumference.

## BASKET

## Base

With 3 strands of yarn held together, ch 3; slip st in first ch to form a ring.
Round 1 (right side): Ch 1,6 sc in ring; join with slip st in first sc-6 sc.
Round 2: Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around; join with slip st in first sc-12 sc.
Round 3: Ch 1, [2 sc in next st, sc in next st] 6 times; join with slip st in first sc-18 sc.

Round 4: Ch 1, [2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts] 6 times; join with slip st in first sc-24 sc.
Round 5: Ch 1, [2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts] 6 times; join with slip st in first sc-30 sc.
Round 6: Ch 1, [2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts] 6 times; join with slip st in first sc-36 sc.
Round 7: Ch 1, [2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts] 6 times; join with slip st in first sc-42 sc.
Round 8: Ch 1, [2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts] 6 times; join with slip st in first sc-48 sc.
Round 9: Ch 1, [2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts] 6 times; join with slip st in first $\mathrm{sc}-54 \mathrm{sc}$.
Round 10: Ch 1, [2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts] 6 times; join with slip st in first sc-60 sc.


Medium Basket Only:
Round 11: Ch 1, [2 sc in next st, sc in next 9 sts] 6 times; join with slip st in first sc-66 sc.
Round 12: Ch 1, [2 sc in next st, sc in next 10 sts] 6 times; join with slip st in first sc-72 sc.

## Large Basket Only:

Round 11: Ch 1, [2 sc in next st, sc in next 9 sts] 6 times; join with slip st in first sc-66 sc.
Round 12: Ch 1, [2 sc in next st, sc in next 10 sts] 6 times; join with slip st in first $s c-72 s c$.



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Round 13: Ch 1, [2 sc in next st, sc in next 11 sts] 6 times; join with slip st in first sc-78 sc.
Round 14: Ch 1, [2 sc in next st, sc in next 12 sts] 6 times; join with slip st in first sc-84 sc.

## Sides

## All Baskets:

Next Round (right side): Ch 1, working in back loops only, sc in each st around; join with slip st in first sc-60 $(72,84)$ sc Next $\mathbf{1 5}(\mathbf{2 0}, \mathbf{2 5})$ Rounds: Ch 1 , sc in each st around; join with slip st in first sc.

## Handles

Next Round: Ch 1, sc in first $10(12,14)$
sts, ch $10(12,14)$, skip next $10(12,14)$ sts, sc in next $20(24,28)$ sts, ch 10 (12, 14) sts, skip next $10(12,14)$ sts, sc in last $10(12,14)$ sts; join with slip st in first sc-40 $(48,56)$ sc and 2 ch-10 $(12,14)$ spaces.
Next Round: Ch 1, [sc in each st to next ch-space, $10(12,14) \mathrm{sc}$ in ch-space] twice, sc in each st around; join with slip st in first sc.
Last Round: Ch 1, sc in each st around; join with slip st in first sc.
Fasten off.

## FINISHING

Weave in ends.

## ABBREVIATIONS

A, B, C, etc. = Color A, Color B, Color C etc; ch = chain; sc = single crochet; $\mathbf{s t}(\mathbf{s})=$ stitch(es); [ ] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified.


