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Fanciful Flamingo Basket

The flamingo is a social bird that will add color and charm to your bath or anywhere you need a basket to collect your things (like a current yarn project). This crocheted basket is a superb organizer, whether you appliqué the flamingo onto it or not.

Basket measures 10" [25.5 cm] diameter x 12" [30.5 cm] tall.

NOTES

Basket is worked in joined rounds using larger hook and two strands of yarn held together throughout. Flamingo is worked back and forth in rows with smaller hook and single strand of yarn. Flamingo is sewn on to right side of Basket.

SPECIAL ABBREVIATIONS

Bpdc: (back post double crochet) Yarn over, insert hook from back to front then to back, going around post of indicated st, draw up a loop, [yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook] twice. Skip st in front of the Bpdc.

Fpdc: (front post double crochet) Yarn over, insert hook from front to back then to front, going around post of indicated st, draw up a loop, [yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook] twice. Skip st behind the Fpdc.

sc2tog: [Draw up a loop in next st] twice, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

BASKET

Beginning at center bottom, with two strands of **A** held together and larger hook, ch 4.

Round 1: Work 11 dc in 4th ch from hook, slip st in top of skipped ch-3 - 12 dc (skipped ch-3 counts as dc).

Round 2: Ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), dc in same st as join, 2 dc in each dc around, slip st in top of beginning ch-3 - 24 dc.

Round 3: Ch 3, 2 dc in next dc, [dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc] 11 times, slip st in top of beginning ch-3 - 36 dc.

Round 4: Ch 3, dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc, [dc in next 2 dc, 2 dc in next dc] 11 times, slip st in top of beginning ch-3 - 48 dc.



Round 5: Ch 3, dc in next 2 dc, 2 dc in next dc, [dc in next 3 dc, 2 dc in next dc] 11 times, slip st in top of beginning ch-3 - 60 dc.

Round 6: Ch 3, dc in next 3 dc, 2 dc in next sc, [dc in next 4 dc, 2 dc in next dc] 11 times, slip st in top of beginning ch-3 - 72 dc.

Round 7: Ch 1, working in front loops only, sc in same st as join, sc n each dc around, slip st in first sc.

Shape Sides

Round 8: Ch 1, working in back loops of Round 6, sc in each sc around, slip st in first sc.

Round 9: Ch 3, dc in each sc around, slip st in top of beginning ch-3.

Round 10: Ch 3, Bpdc around next 2 dc, Fpdc around next 3 dc, [Bpdc around next 3 dc, Fpdc around next 3 dc] around, slip st in top of beginning ch-3.

Round 11: Ch 3, Fpdc around next 2 dc, Bpdc around next 3 dc, [Fpdc around next 3 dc, Bpdc around next 3 dc] around, change to two stands of **C** held

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What you will need:

RED HEART® Super Saver®:

1 skein each of 313 Aran **A**, 512 Turqua **B**, 505 Aruba Sea **C**, 706 Perfect Pink **D**, 718 Shocking Pink **E** and 312 Black **F**

Susan Bates® Crochet Hook:

6mm [US J-10] and 4mm [US G-6]

Yarn needle

GAUGE:

10 sc = 4" [10 cm]; 7 rows = 4" [10 cm] in Basket stitch using larger hook and two strands of yarn held together. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE.** Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.



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together and slip st in top of beginning ch-3. Cut **A**.

Round 12: With **C**, ch 3 and repeat Round 10.

Round 13: Repeat Round 11.

Rounds 14-27: Repeat Rounds 10-11, change to two stands of **B** held together in last st of last round. Cut **C**.

Round 28: With **B**, repeat Round 10.

Rounds 29-30: Repeat Rounds 10-11.

Round 31: Ch 1, sc in same st as join, sc in each dc around, slip st in first sc.

Shape Handles

Round 32: Ch 20, slip st in same st as last slip st, turn, slip st in each of 20 ch just made, slip st in next 35 sc, ch 20, slip st in same sc as last slip st, turn, slip st in each of 20 ch just made, slip st in remaining 35 sc, slip st in first slip st. Fasten off.

FLAMINGO

Beak and Head

With smaller hook and one strand of **F**, ch 2.

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook - 1 sc.

Row 2: Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in sc - 2 sc.

Rows 3-6: Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across. Cut **F**.

Row 7: Change to **E**, ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next 2 sc - 4 sc.

Row 8: Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in first sc, sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in last sc - 6 sc.

Rows 9-10: Change to **D**, ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Shape Neck

Row 11: Ch 1, turn, sc in next 4 sc, sc2tog - 5 sc.

Row 12: Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in next 3 sc - 4 sc.

Row 13: Ch 1, turn, sc in next 2 sc, sc2tog - 3 sc.

Row 14: Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, 2 sc in next sc.

Row 15: Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next sc, sc2tog.

Rows 16-37: Repeat Rows 14-15.

Row 38: Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next sc, sc2tog.

Row 39: Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, 2 sc in next sc.

Rows 40-47: Repeat Rows 38-39.

Shape Body

Row 48: Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in each sc across - 6 sc.

Row 49: Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next sc, sc to last sc, 2 sc in last sc - 8 sc.

Row 50: Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Row 51: Repeat Row 49 - 10 sc.

Row 52: Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Row 53: Repeat Row 49 - 12 sc.

Rows 54-58: Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Row 59: Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in each sc to last 2 sc, sc2tog - 10 sc.

Row 60: Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Row 61: Repeat Row 59 - 8 sc.

Row 62: Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in next 6 sc - 7 sc.

Row 63: Ch 1, turn, sc in next 5 sc, sc2tog - 6 sc.

Row 64: Ch 1, turn, sc in next 4 sc, sc2tog - 5 sc.

Row 65: Ch 1, turn, [sc2tog] twice, sc in last sc- 3 sc.

Row 66: Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in last sc - 2 sc.

Row 67: Ch 1, turn, sc2tog. Fasten off, leaving a long end for sewing.

WING

With smaller needle and **E**, ch 2.

Row 1: Work 3 sc in 2nd ch from hook - 3 sc.



Row 2: Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Row 3: Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in each sc across - 6 sc.

Rows 4-6: Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Row 7: Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 3 sc, sc2tog.

Row 8: Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in next 3 sc - 5 sc.

Row 9: Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in next sc. [sc2tog] twice. Fasten off, leaving long end for sewing.

FINISHING

Following photo, sew Wing on Flamingo. With **F**, embroider a French knot eye on Face. Pin Flamingo in place on front center of Basket and sew in place.

Bent Leg

With **F**, ch 25. Fasten off.

Straight Leg

With **F**, ch 20. Fasten off.

Position Legs from Body to bottom of Basket and sew in place.

Abbreviations

A, B, C = Color A, B, C; Bpdc: Back post double crochet; ch = chain; cm = centimeters; dc = double crochet; Fpdc: Front post double crochet; mm = millimeters; sc = single crochet; st(s) = stitch(es); tog = together; [] = work directions in brackets the number of times specified.