



Free Crochet Pattern

Reindeer Basket



Pattern # -

M23199 WETQ

Yarn -

Lion Brand® Wool-Ease® Thick & Quick®

SKILL LEVEL – EASY

SIZES

About 8 in. (20.5 cm) tall

MATERIALS

- LION BRAND® WOOL-EASE® THICK & QUICK® (Art. #640)
 - #099 Fisherman 1 ball (A)
 - #124 Barley 1 ball (B)
 - #542 Seaglass 1 ball (C)
- LION BRAND® stitch markers
- LION BRAND® large-eyed blunt needle



ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

Crochet hook size J-10 (6 mm)

Crochet hook size M/N-13 (9 mm)

Small amounts of black and red worsted weight yarn for embroidery

GAUGE

10 sc + 10 rnds = about 4 in. (10 cm).

BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

STITCH EXPLANATION

sc2tog (sc 2 sts together) (Insert hook in next st and draw up a loop) twice, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook – 1 st decreased.

TECHNIQUE EXPLANATION

Magic Ring Wrap yarn around index finger. Insert hook into ring on finger, yarn over and draw up a loop. Carefully slip ring from finger and work the sts of Rnd 1 into the ring.

NOTES

1. Reindeer Basket is worked in 6 pieces: Basket, 2 Ears, 2 Antlers, and Nose.
2. Basket, Antlers, and Nose are worked in continuous rnds (spiral). Do not join last st of each rnd to first st with a sl st and do not turn at the beginning of rnds.
3. Ears are worked back and forth in rows.
4. Yarn color is changed to form reindeer features. To change yarn color, work last st of old color to last yarn over. Yarn over with new color and draw through all loops on hook to complete st. Proceed with new color. Do not cut old color until instructed. Carry color not in use along tops of sts of previous rnd and work sts of new color over the carried strand, enclosing it inside the fabric.

SAFETY NOTE

This design is not a toy! The small pieces can present a choking hazard. Never leave a baby or child unattended with this project!

BASKET

With larger hook and A, make a magic ring.

Base

Rnd 1 (WS): Ch 1, 8 sc in ring; do not join, work in continuous rnds (spiral).

Place marker in last st made to indicate end of rnd. Move marker up as each rnd is completed.

Rnd 2: Work 2 sc in each st around – you will have 16 sc in this rnd.

Rnd 3: * Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st; rep from * around – 24 sc.

Rnd 4: * Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st; rep from * around – 32 sc.

Rnd 5: * Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st; rep from * around – 40 sc.

Rnd 6: * Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st; rep from * around – 48 sc.

Rnd 7: Sl st in each st around. Remove end of rnd marker.

Sides

Rnd 8 (RS): TURN, working in both loops of sl sts, join B with sc in first st, sc in next 14 sts; with A, sc in next 18 sts; with B, sc in last 15 sts; work in continuous rnds.

Place marker in last st made to indicate end of rnd. Move marker up as each rnd is completed.

Rnds 9 and 10: With B, sc in next 15 sts; with A, sc in next 18 sts; with B, sc in last 15 sts.

Rnds 11 and 12: With B, sc in next 15 sts; with A, sc in next 8 sts; with B, sc in next 2 sts; with A, sc in next 8 sts; with B, sc in last 15 sts.

Rnd 13: With B, sc in next 16 sts; with A, sc in next 6 sts; with B, sc in next 4 sts; with A, sc in next 6 sts; with B, sc in last 16 sts.

Rnd 14: With B, sc in next 17 sts; with A, sc in next 4 sts; with B, sc in next 6 sts; with A, sc in next 4 sts; with B, sc in last 17 sts.

Fasten off A. Work remainder of Basket with B only.

Rnds 15-17: Sc in each st around.

Rnd 18: Sl st in each st around.

Fasten off.

EARS (make 2)

With smaller hook and B, ch 7.

Row 1: Work 2 sc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc in next ch, 2 dc in next ch, hdc in next ch, sc in next ch, 2 sc in last ch; working along opposite side of foundation ch, sc in next ch, hdc in next ch, 2 dc in next ch, hdc in next ch, 2 sc in last ch – 16 sts.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

ANTLERS (make 2)

Long Horn (make 1 for each Antler)

With smaller hook and C, make a magic ring.

Rnd 1: Ch 1, 6 sc in ring; do not join, work in continuous rnds (spiral).

Place marker in last st made to indicate end of rnd. Move marker up as each rnd is completed.

Rnds 2-5: Sc in each st around.

Fasten off. Remove end of rnd marker.

Short Horn (make 1 for each Antler)

Make same a Long Horn, working only 4 rnds (instead of 5 rnds).

Do NOT fasten off. Do NOT remove end of rnd marker.

Join Horns

Rnd 1: With yarn still attached to short horn, sc in each st of last rnd of long horn, sc in each st of last rnd of short horn – 12 sc.

Rnd 2: * Sc in next st, sc2tog; rep from * around – 8 sc.

Rnd 3: (Sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog) twice – 6 sc.

Bring edges of last rnd together, matching the sts along each side. Working through both thicknesses, sc in next 3 sts.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

NOSE

With smaller hook and scrap of red scrap yarn, make a magic ring.

Rnd 1: Ch 1, (sc, hdc, 3 sc, hdc, 3 sc, hdc, 2 sc) in ring – 12 sts.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

FINISHING

Using photograph as a guide and yarn tails still attached to pieces whenever possible, assemble Reindeer Basket as follows:

With black yarn, embroider straight stitch eyes between Rnds 11 and 13, each about 4 sts long.

With B, sew Ears to sides of Basket, over Rnd 18.

With C, sew Antlers to inside of Basket, over Rnd 18 and centered above Eyes.

With red yarn, sew Nose to Basket, between Rnds 9 and 12.

Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

ch = chain

dc = double crochet

hdc = half double crochet

rep = repeat

rnd(s) = round(s)

RS = right side

sc = single crochet

sl st = slip stitch

st(s) = stitch(es)

WS = wrong side



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