

PET BASKET

Design: Lankava Oy, Molla Mills

Finished size: 70 x 26 cm

Yarn: Lilli Tube yarn Lilli, 3 kg in unbleached (2) and 2 kg in dark green (11). 1 kg = approx. 220 m

Hook: 8 mm (US L/11), or according to personal gauge
You will also need a Ø70 cm round cushion or a piece of foam

Gauge: 9 sts and 4 rows in tapestry crochet = 10 x 10 cm

US crochet terms used throughout. Abbreviations: st(s) = stitch(es), ch = chain, sc = single crochet, dc = double crochet, sl st = slip stitch

Tapestry crochet: Crochet dcs according to the colored chart. Each round is made with two colors, so that you crochet sts around the color not in use. Always change the color so that you make the last yarn over of the previous st with the new color.

Crochet around another yarn: Crochet with the unbleached yarn around the green yarn, so that the unbleached covers the green yarn running inside the sts.

Instructions:

Round base (in Crochet around another yarn):

Round 1: Begin with a magic loop (= twist yarn around finger, take hook through loop, pick up yarn with the hook, yarn over and pull through the loop on hook). Ch 3 (= 1st dc), 11 dc in the loop. Close with a sl st in the 3rd ch. Tighten the loop by pulling the yarn end.

Rnd 2: Ch 3, take up the green yarn and keep crocheting around it, 2 dc in each st, close with a sl st = 24 dc. Start all rounds with a ch 3 and close rounds with a sl st.

Rnd 3: *Dc in next st, 2 dc in next st*, repeat *-* = 36 dc.

Rnd 4: *Dc in next 2 sts, 2 dc in next st*, repeat *-* = 48 dc.

Rnd 5: As round 4.

Rnd 6: *Dc in next 3 sts, 2 dc in next st*, repeat *-* = 80 dc.

Rnd 7: *Dc in next 4 sts, 2 dc in next st*, repeat *-* = 96 dc.

Rnd 8: Dc in each st.

Rnd 9: *Dc in next 5 sts, 2 dc in next st*, repeat *-* = 112 dc.

Rnd 10: *Dc in next 6 sts, 2 dc in next st*, repeat *-* = 128 dc.

Rnd 11: *Dc in next 7 sts, 2 dc in next st*, repeat *-* = 144 dc.

Rnd 12: Sc in each st.

Edge, made twice the height and folded over (in Tapestry crochet):

Rnd 1: Start working according to the chart from right to left. Work this round in the back loops to make the edge fold better! Ch 3 (= 1st dc), dc with unbleached in next 3 sts, change to green and work dc in next 3 sts. Continue to work according to the chart, work the 24-st repeat 6 times per each round. Close round with a sl st as before.

Rnds 2-9: Continue to work dcs according to the chart: first work rnds 2-4., and then work rnds 1-4. again, and work rnd 1.

Rnd 10: Sc in each st. Crochet with the unbleached and run green inside the sts. (=fold for the upper edge)

Rnds 11-20: Work rnds 1-9 of the edge again to make the inner edge of the basket. Cut yarn but leave a long tail for sewing the edge.

Finishing: Fold the upper edge inside the basket and sew the last round to the round of scs (Rnd 12 of the base). Weave in yarn ends. Place a pillow inside the basket. You can make a pillow yourself by covering a piece of foam with fabric.

