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SPAGHETTI
YARN

Easter Egg Basket with
Optional Flowers

EASY TO INTERMEDIATE CROCHET

Whether it's your child's first Easter or their 10th, this Easter basket is perfect for egg hunts and carrying around the garden. With optional flowers to attach, this basket is full of personality and whimsy, and is ready to be filled with lots of goodies.

MEASUREMENTS

Width of Base (approx)	cm	19
Length of Base (approx)	cm	33
Yarn Required:		
Makr Spaghetti (M)	750g cone	1
Makr Cotton 8ply (C1)	50g	1
Makr Cotton 8ply (C2)	50g	1
Makr Cotton 8ply (C3)	50g	1
Makr Cotton 8ply (C4)	50g	1

Please use only the yarn specified. Another yarn is likely to yield different results. Quantities are approximate as knitting styles may vary between knitters. Check the ball bands to ensure all yarn is from the same dye lot.

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CROCHET HOOK AND EQUIPMENT:

A 7.00mm crochet hook.

A 4.00mm crochet hook.

Wool needle for sewing in ends.

Optional: Fabric starch

TENSION:

Tension is not important for this project.

CROCHET ABBREVIATIONS:

dc:	double crochet
dc:	double crochet into the back loop only
ch:	chain stitch
sl st:	sl st
mr:	magic ring, alternatively ch5 and sl st to join
htr:	half treble crochet
tr:	treble crochet
dtr:	double treble crochet
trtr:	triple treble crochet
YO:	yarn over

BASKET

NOTE: Our spaghetti yarn is manufactured from repurposed jersey, therefore it may be necessary to go up or down a crochet hook to get a tightly crocheted basket.

Base:

Using 7.00mm crochet hook and M (main colour), ch9.

Round 1: Ins hook into the 2nd ch from the hook through the back loop only, 2dc. dc into the back loop of the next 6ch, 4dc into the last ch. Rotate the work around, dc into the back loop again of the next 6ch, 2dc into the last ch, sl st to close the round ... 20 dc

Round 2: ch1, 2dc into the next 2 sts, 6 dc, 2dc into the next 4 sts, 6 dc, 2dc into the last 2 sts, sl st to close the round ... 28 dc

Round 3: ch1, (dc, 2dc) twice, dc 6, (dc, 2dc) four times, dc 6, (dc, 2dc) twice, sl st to close the round ... 36 dc

Round 4: ch1, (dc 2, 2dc in next st) twice, dc 6, (dc 2, 2dc in next st) four times, dc 6, (dc 2, 2dc in next st) twice, sl st to close the round ... 44 dc

Round 5: ch1, (dc 3, 2dc in next st) twice, dc 6, (dc 3, 2dc in next st) four times, dc 6, (dc 3, 2dc in next st) twice, sl st to close the round ... 58 dc

Sides:

Rounds 5: ch1, dcbl into each st in the round, sl st to close.

Round 6-11: ch1, dc into each st in the round, sl st to close.

Handle:

Row 1: Working from here on back and forth in rows, ch1, dc 16, turn.

Row 2: ch1, dc 5, turn.

Row 3: ch1, dc 4, turn.

Row 4: ch1, dc 4, turn.

Repeat Row 4 until handle measures 25cm in length.

Next Row: ch1, 2dc, dc 3, turn.

Next Row: ch1, 2dc, dc 4, turn.

Next Row: ch1, 2dc, dc 5, turn.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail.

Starching and Finishing:

Using a crochet hook or a wool needle with a large eye, sew handle into the same position as the handle on the other side.

FLOWERS (OPTIONAL)

NOTE: We recommend weaving in ends as you go, due to the way the flowers are constructed it may prove difficult once the item is complete.

Pansy (Make 2 in alternate colourways):

Using a 4.00mm hook and C1, create a mr and dc12 into it. Cut yarn and fasten off.

Row 1: Using C2, sl st into the back loop of any dc in the round to join to the work, ch1 and tr into the same loop. Ch4, skip 1 dc, dc into the next st, ch4, skip 1dc, dc into the back loop of the next dc, ch 1. Turn.

Row 2: 8dc into the ch4 space, dc into the tr, 8dc in the ch4 space, sl st in the ch, turn.

Row 3: Ch1, dc into the first st, [dc, htr] into the next st, (htr, tr) into the next st, (tr, dtr) into the next st, 2dtr into the next 5 sts, ch3, dc into the dc of the previous row, ch3, 2dtr into the next 5 sts, (dtr, tr) into the next st, (tr, htr) into the next stitch, (htr, dc) into the next st, dc into the turning ch of row 1. Sl st into the side of the C1 dc you first worked into. This finishes the two large petals at the rear of the pansy.

Row 4: Continuing on to begin working the front petals, working into both loops of the C1 dc's, 2tr into the next dc of the ring, dc, 2tr into each of the next 3 dc, dc, 2tr into the next dc, 2tr into the front loop only of the next dc (this will be the front loop of the st where the first back petal started), 2tr into the next sc, tr into the front loop only of the next dc (marking the middle of the two back petals), 2tr in the next dc, 2tr into the front loop of the next sc. Close the round with a sl st to the first st of the round. Cut yarn and fasten securely.

Row 5: Using C3, sl st into the dc between the smaller petals just worked. Ch1 and dc into the same st, ch3, 2dtr into the next 2 sts, 2trtr into the next 2sts, 2dtr into the next two sts, ch3, sl st into the dc of the previous row, this completes the lower left petal. Ch3, 2trtr into the next 6sts, 3ch, sl st into the next sc, this completes the centre petal. Ch3, 2dtr into the next 2 sts, 2trtr into each of the next 2sts, 2dtr into the next 2sts, ch3, dc into the next dc into the same st as the dc at the beg of the round. Sl st to close the round. Cut yarn, fasten securely and weave in any remaining ends.

Buttercup (Make 2 Alike):

Using a 4.00mm hook and C1, create a mr, alternatively ch4 and sl st to join, (dc, ch1) five times into it, sl st to close the round.

Round 1: Ch4, *2tr into the next ch1 space, ch3, dc into the next dc, ch3, repeat from * until 4 petals have been worked, 2tr into the final ch1 space,

ch3, sl st into the 1st ch of the ch4 at the beg of the round.

Round 2: Ch5, *dc into the space between the 2tr of the previous round, ch4, dc into the dc of the previous row, repeat from * until 4 petals have been completed, ch4, dc into the top of the final petal, ch4, sl st into the 1st chain of the ch5 at the beg of the round.

Daisy (Make One):

Using C1 and a 4.00mm hook, create a mr ring, alternatively ch4 and sl st to join. 10 dc into the mr. Cut yarn and fasten securely.

Round 1: Using C3, sl st into any dc of the previous round, *ch7, trtr into the same st, ch7 and sl st into the same st, ch1, skip one st and sl st into the next, repeat from * until 4 petals have been worked, ch7, trtr into the same st, ch7 and sl st into the st st, ch1 and sl st into the first st of the ch7 at the beg of the round.

Round 2: ch1, dc into the same ch just sl st into, working around the outside of the petals now, *dc6, [2dc, ch1 2dc] into the top of the trtr of the previous round, dc6, ch1, dc into the first ch of the ch7 in the previous round, repeat from * until 4 petals have been worked, dc6, [2dc, ch1 2dc] into the top of the trtr of the previous round, dc6, ch1, sl st into the top of the first dc of the round to close.

Cut yarn and fasten securely.

FINISHING

Weave in all ends on both flowers and the basket. If a stiffer basket is desired, starch basket as many times as necessary following the directions on the product being used. Leave basket to dry completely in the shade.

Using a length of Makr Cotton 8ply yarn in a matching colour to the flower, sew each flower in place, using the images provided as a guide or where desired.

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ITEM A: Optional Flower Detail

