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SKILL LEVEL  
EASY



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## What you will need:

**RED HEART® Super Saver Chunky™:** 4 skeins 334 Buff **A**, 1 skein 656 Real Teal **B**, and small amount of 312 Black **C**

**Susan Bates® Knitting Needles:** 8mm [US 11]

Yarn needle

**GAUGE:** 12 sts = about 4" [10 cm]; 14 rows = about 4" [10 cm] over Garter stitch (knit every row) with 2 strands of yarn held together. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.**



**RED HEART® Super Saver Chunky™, Art.**

E306 available in solid color 5 oz (141 g), 173 yd (158 m); heathers 5 oz (141 g), 168 yd (154 m) skeins

# Puppy Toy Basket

Puppy's favorite toys and chewables can be organized in this handsome basket. We've designed it with a double strand of yarn for sturdiness. The face is embroidered with ears and nose knit separately and sewn in place.

**Basket measures about 10" [25.5 cm] high, 12" [30.5 cm] wide and 36" [91.5 cm] circumference.**

## Special Stitch

**kfb (Knit into front and back)** = Knit next stitch but do not remove from needle, knit into back loop of same stitch and remove from needle - 1 st increased.

## Notes

1. Basket is made from two pieces, basket base and basket sides, sewn together.
2. Basket base is worked back and forth in short rows. On every other row, you will be instructed to turn before knitting all the stitches. This creates wedge shaped sections that form into a circle when the cast-on and bind-off edges are sewn together.
3. Basket sides are worked back and forth in rows.
4. Ears and nose are worked separately and sewn to basket.
5. All pieces are worked with 2 strands of yarn held together throughout.
6. Eyes and mouth are embroidered onto basket.

## BASKET BASE

With 2 strands of **A** held together, cast on 16 sts.

**Row 1:** Knit.

**Row 2:** Knit to last st, turn; leaving last st unworked.

**Row 3:** Knit.

**Row 4:** Knit to last 2 sts, turn; leaving last 2 sts unworked.

**Row 5:** Knit.

**Row 6:** Knit to last 3 sts, turn; leaving last 3 sts unworked.

**Row 7:** Knit.

**Row 8:** Knit to last 4 sts, turn; leaving last 4 sts unworked.



**Row 9:** Knit.

**Row 10:** Knit to last 5 sts, turn; leaving last 5 sts unworked.

**Row 11:** Knit.

**Row 12:** Knit to last 6 sts, turn; leaving last 6 sts unworked.

**Row 13:** Knit.

**Row 14:** Knit to last 7 sts, turn; leaving last 7 sts unworked.

**Row 15:** Knit.

**Row 16:** Knit to last 8 sts, turn; leaving last 8 sts unworked.

**Rows 17-19:** Knit.

**Rows 20-127:** Repeat Rows 2-19 for 6 more times.

**Rows 128-144:** Repeat Rows 2-18. Bind off.

Sew bind-off and cast-on edges together to form circle.

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## BASKET SIDES

With 2 strands of **A** held together, cast on 30 sts.

Work in Garter st (knit every row) until piece measures about 36" [91.5 cm] from beginning (or length needed to reach comfortably all the way around outer edge of basket base).

Bind off.

## FINISHING

Sew short edges of basket sides together to form a tube. Sew one edge of tube to basket base.

### Ears (make 2)

With 2 strands of **B** held together, cast on 6 sts.

**Rows 1 and 2:** Knit.

**Row 3:** Kfb, knit to last 2 sts, k2tog—6 sts.

**Row 4:** Knit.

**Rows 5–8:** Repeat Rows 3 and 4 twice.

**Row 9:** Kfb, knit to end of row—7 sts.

**Row 10:** Knit.

**Rows 11 and 12:** Repeat Rows 9 and 10—8 sts.

**Rows 13–20:** Knit.

**Row 21:** K2tog, knit to end of row—7 sts.

**Rows 22–24:** Repeat Row 21 for 3 more times—4 sts.

Bind off. Turn one ear over, so that ears are mirror-images of each other.

### Nose

With 2 strands of **B** held together, cast on 4 sts.

**Rows 1 and 2:** Kfb, knit to end of row—6 sts in Row 2.

**Rows 3 and 4:** Knit.

**Rows 5 and 6:** K2tog, knit to end of row—4 sts in Row 6.

Bind off.

Using photograph as a guide, sew ears to center front top edge of basket, about 4" [10 cm] apart. Sew nose to front of basket, centered between ears and about 3" [7.5 cm] below top edge.

**Facial features:** Use photograph as a guide. With 2 strands of **B**, embroider French knot eyes on either side of nose and straight stitch mouth below nose.

Weave in ends.

### ABBREVIATIONS

**A, B, and C** = Color A, Color B, and Color C; **k** = knit; **k2tog** = knit next 2 sts together; **st(s)** = stitch(es)

