



KNIT
SKILL LEVEL
EASY

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What you will need:

RED HEART® Bunches of Hugs™: 2 balls 5311 Chalk **A**, 1 ball 6381 Dragon **B**

Susan Bates Circular Knitting Needles: 8mm [US 11] 29" [74 cm]

Susan Bates Double-Pointed Needles: 8mm [US 11]

Susan Bates Crochet Hook: 8 mm (US L-11)

Detachable stitch markers, yarn needle, sturdy cardboard 4" [10 cm] square

GAUGE: 10 sts = 4" [10 cm] in Double Garter Stitch pattern with 4 strands of yarn held together. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE.** Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.



RED HEART® Bunches of Hugs™, Art. E866 Oeko-

Tex Certified 100% Acrylic baby yarn available in solid 14 oz (397 g), 948 yd (868 m) and print 10 oz (284 g), 678 yd (620 m) balls

SHOP KIT



Fringed Knit Basket

Give a shower gift in a knit basket that will help organize baby's things for many years! Holding multiple strands together makes the basket sturdier. And using a multi-color for the fringe means the colors coordinate effortlessly.

Fringed Basket measures: About 14" wide x 14" high [35 cm x 35 cm] and 42" [107 cm] in circumference.

NOTES

1. Fringed Basket is worked from top to bottom center.
2. Use Double-Pointed needles when there are too few stitches for Circular needles.
3. Wind both balls of **A** into 2 separate balls. 4 strands of **A** are held together to knit Basket.

Special Stitch

K2tog = Knit 2 stitches together as one.

BASKET

With 4 strands of **A** held together and using Circular needles, cast on 111 sts. Place Stitch Marker on needle to mark the beginning of the Round. Join, being careful not to twist stitches.

Rounds 1-2: Purl.

Rounds 3-4: Knit.

Rounds 5-6: Purl.

Split for Handles

Next Round: K19, bind off 17 sts, knit next 38 sts, bind off next 17 sts, knit 20 sts to Stitch Marker—77 sts.

Next Round: K19, cast on 14 sts over bound off sts, knit next 38 sts, cast on 14 sts over bound off sts, knit 20 sts to Stitch Marker—105 sts.

Sides of Basket

Rounds 1-2: Purl.

Rounds 3-4: Knit.

Rounds 5-6: Purl.

Round 7: Knit.

Round 8: *K8, p7* 7 times—105 sts.

Round 9: Knit.

Rounds 10-11: Purl.

Rounds 12-13: Knit.

Rounds 14-15: Purl.

Round 16: Knit.

Round 17: *P7, k8* 7 times—105 sts.

Round 18: Knit.

Rounds 19-36: Repeat Rounds 1-18.

Rounds 37-51: Repeat Rounds 1-15.

Rounds 52-53: Knit.

Rounds 54-55: Purl.

Base

Round 1 (Decrease Round): *K5, k2tog* around—90 sts.

Rounds 2-3: Purl.

Round 4: Knit.

Round 5 (Decrease Round): *K4, k2tog* around—75 sts.

Rounds 6-7: Purl.

Round 8: Knit.

Round 9 (Decrease Round): *K3, k2tog* around—60 sts.

Rounds 10-11: Purl.

Round 12: Knit.

Round 13 (Decrease Round): *K2, k2tog* around—45 sts.

Rounds 14-15: Purl.

Round 16: Knit.

Round 17 (Decrease Round): *K1, k2tog* around—30 sts.

Rounds 18-19: Purl.

Round 20: Knit.

Round 21 (Decrease Round): *K2tog* around—15 sts.

Rounds 22-23: Purl.

Round 24: Knit.

Last Round (Decrease Round): *K2tog* to last st, k1—8 sts.

Cut yarn leaving an 18" [46 cm] tail.

Thread all 4 strands of yarn into Yarn needle and weave needle through remaining

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stitches. Pull tightly to close opening at bottom of Basket and knot securely.

FRINGE

Wrap **B** around the 4" [10 cm] square of cardboard to cut 8" [20 cm] lengths of yarn. Separate strands in 4 separate piles for each color. For each fringe, hold 3 strands of same color yarn together, fold in half and using crochet hook, attach to each of the 6 "bumps" on the top of each place where the P7 were worked. Use photo as a guide for placement. After all fringe is attached, trim to about 2½" [10 cm] in length.

FINISHING

Weave in all ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

cm = centimeters; **K** = knit; **K2tog** = knit 2 sts together; **mm** = millimeters; **p** = purl; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **St st** = Stockinette stitch; * = repeat whatever follows the * as indicated.

