## Owl Basket

By Premier Yarns Design Team Level: Intermediate


Directions:

## SIZES

Small (Large)
FINISHED MEASUREMENTS
Height: 9 (11)"
Width: $91 / 2\left(11 \frac{1}{2}\right)^{\prime \prime}$

## MATERIALS

Premier® ${ }^{\circledR}$ Yarns Macra-Made ${ }^{T M}$ (58\% polyester, $42 \%$ acrylic; $140 \mathrm{gm} / 53 \mathrm{yds})$

- \#74-09 Platinum (A) - 9 balls
- \#74-10 Smoke Blue (B) - 3 balls
- \#74-08 Coral (C) - 2 balls
- \#74-01 White (D) -1 ball
- \#74-06 Butter (E) - 1 ball
- \#74-02 Black (F) - 1 ball

Hook: US Size M-13 ( 9 mm ) crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
Notions: Tapestry needle, 4-1" buttons, sewing needle and thread

GAUGE
Rnds 1-3 of Base = $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ across
Save time, check your gauge.

## BASKETS

## Base

With A, ch 2.
Rnd 1: 6 sc in $2^{\text {nd }}$ ch from hk, sl st in $1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{sc}$ to join -6 sc .
Rnd 2: Ch 1, 2 sc in each sc around, sl st in $1^{\text {st }}$ sc to join -12 sc.
Rnd 3: Ch 1, [2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc] around, sl st in $1^{\text {st }}$ sc to join - 18 sc .
Rnd 4: Ch 1 , $\left[2 \mathrm{sc}\right.$ in next sc, sc in next 2 sc ] around, sl st in $1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{sc}$ to join -24 sc .
Rnd 5: Ch 1, [2 sc in next sc, sc in next 3 sc ] around, sl st in $1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{sc}$ to join -30 sc .
Rnd 6: Ch 1, [2 sc in next sc, sc in next 4 sc ] around, sl st in $1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{sc}$ to join -36 sc .
Rnd 7: Ch 1, [2 sc in next sc, sc in next 5 sc ] around, sl st in $1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{sc}$ to join -42 sc .
Rnd 8: Ch 1 , [ 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 6 sc ] around, sl st in $1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{sc}$ to join -48 sc .
Rnd 9: Ch 1, [2 sc in next sc, sc in next 7 sc ] around, sl st in $1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{sc}$ to join -54 sc .

## Large Basket Only

Rnd 10: Ch 1, [2 sc in next sc, sc in next 8 sc ] around, sl st in $1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{sc}$ to join -60 sc .
Rnd 11: Ch 1, [2 sc in next sc, sc in next 9 sc ] around, sl st in $1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{sc}$ to join -66 sc .

## Side

Rnd 1: Ch 1, sc in the blo of each sc around, sl st in $1^{\text {st }}$ sc to join - 54 (66) sc.
Rnd 2: Ch 1 , sc in each sc around, $s l$ st in $1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{sc}$ to join.
Rep Rnd 2, until Side measures 6 (7)", cut A, switch to C (B).
Rep Rnd 2, 2 more times.

## Handles/Ear Tufts

Rnd 1: Ch 1, sc in next 8 (10) sc, ch 10, sk 10 sc, sc in next 16 (20) sc, ch 10, sk 10 sc, sc in next 8 (10) sc, sl st in 10st sc to join.
Rnd 2: Ch 1 , *sc in each sc to ch-10 sp, hdc in next 2 ch , dc in next 2 ch , tr in next 2 ch , dc in next 2 ch, hdc in next 2 ch ; rep from * once more, sc in next 8 (10) sc, sl st in $1^{\text {st }}$ sc to join -54 (66) sts.
Rnd 3: Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in $1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{sc}$ to join.
Rep Rnd 3, until Side measures 9 (11)". Fasten off.

## Eyes (make 2)

Work as for Rnds 1-3 of Base, use D for Rnds 1-2, and F for Rnd 3. Fasten off.

## Wings (make 2)

With C (B), ch 6.
Row 1: Sc in $2^{\text {nd }}$ ch from hk, sc in next 4 ch, turn -5 sc .
Row 2: Ch 1, [sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] twice, sc in next sc, turn - 7 sc.
Row 3: Ch 1, sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in next 3 sc , 2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc, turn -9 sc.
Row 4: Ch 1, sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc , sc in next $5 \mathrm{sc}, 2 \mathrm{sc}$ in next sc , sc in next sc , turn -11 sc .
Rows 5-7: Ch 1 , sc in each sc across, turn.
Row 8: Ch 1, sc in next sc, sc2tog over next 2 sc , sc across, turn -1 sc dec'd.
Rep Row 8 until 2 sc rem.
Next Row: Ch 1, sc2tog over rem 2 sc.
Next Rnd: Ch 1, work 1 rnd of sc around Wing. Fasten off.

## Beak

With E, ch 2.
Row 1: 2 Sc in $2^{\text {nd }}$ ch from hk, turn.
Row 2: Ch 1, sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc, turn - 3 sc.
Rows 3-4: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.
Row 5: Ch 1, sk 1 sc , sc in next sc, sl st in next sc. Fasten off.

## Hair Bow (Bow Tie)

With C (B), ch 4 (5).
Row 1: Sc in $2^{\text {nd }} \mathrm{ch}$ from hk, sc in each ch across, turn - 3 (4) sc.
Row 2: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.
Rep Row 2 until Bow measures 7 (11)". Fasten off. Sew beg edge to last row.

## Bow Center

With C (B), ch 3 (4).
Row 1: Sc in $2^{\text {nd }}$ ch from hk, sc in each ch across, turn - 2 (3) sc.
Row 2: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.
Rep Row 2 until Bow measures 3 (4)". Fasten off.

Wrap around Bow, hiding seam. Sew together on WS.

## FINISHING

Sew Eyes to center front of Basket, with center just above color change.
Sew Wings at each side with beg-ch edge at top on Large Basket and beg-ch edge at bottom on Small Basket.
Sew Beaks, Button Eyes, and Bows on using photo as a guide.
With F, embroider on Eyebrows and Eyelashes using photo as a guide.

Weave in ends.

## Abbreviations

beg begin(ing)
ch chain
dc double crochet
dec'd decreased
hdc half double crochet
hk hook
rep repeat(ing)
rnd(s) round(s)
sc single crochet
sc2tog single crochet the next 2 sts together (1 st dec'd)
sk skip
sl st slip stitch
sp space
st(s) stitch(es)
tr treble crochet
WS wrong side

