

Penguin Storage Basket

Crochet tutorial | Chart-derived working edition | US terms

Create a six-section round base and eight joined wall rounds with a contrasting front motif.

Skill level	To confirm; required techniques are listed below.
Finished size	To confirm; depends on yarn, hook, and measured gauge.
Terminology	US crochet terms. Source chart retained; untested edition.

Materials and tools

Yarn	Source yarn, fiber, weight, colors, and quantity: to confirm. Use a sample yarn with clearly visible stitches.
Hook	Size to confirm. Begin with the yarn-label range and check a sample before making the project.
Tools	Yarn needle, scissors, stitch markers; measuring tape. Optional contrasting yarn where shown.
Quantity	To confirm after a complete worked sample; no verified gram or yardage estimate is available.

Gauge

No source gauge is supplied. Make a small swatch with the selected yarn and hook; record stitches and rows per 10 cm. Use firm fabric for the basket/bag and flat, flexible fabric for coasters.

Abbreviations

ch = chain; sc = single crochet; dc = double crochet; sl st = slip stitch; inc = 2 stitches in one stitch; st(s) = stitch(es); MR = magic ring; rep = repeat.

Project notes

- The source marks the wall rounds 36x: 36 sc per round.
- The eight wall rows are an unfolded view of joined rounds, not back-and-forth rows.
- Pink symbols identify a contrasting front panel; its yarn color is a maker choice.

Technical status - To confirm

- Base and wall counts are chart-derived; stitch tension and basket stability need a worked sample.
- Eyes, beak, wings, and handles are not charted. Optional face embroidery is a BATELO supplement.
- Yarn quantity, hook size, finished measurements, and difficulty are not verified. Do not market this edition as stitch-tested.

INSTRUCTIONS

Circular base

Use an adjustable ring as a BATELO starting option. Begin each round with ch 1 and join with sl st to the first sc; neither counts in the total.

Round	Instruction	Stitch count
1	Work 6 sc into the starting ring; join.	6
2	inc in each st; join.	12
3	(sc, inc) x 6; join.	18
4	(2 sc, inc) x 6; join.	24
5	(3 sc, inc) x 6; join.	30
6	(2 sc, inc, 2 sc) x 6; join.	36

Walls - 36 stitches for eight rounds

Rounds 7-14: ch 1, sc in each of the 36 base stitches, and join with sl st to the first sc. Do not turn. Begin without extra increases; no back-loop-only turning ridge is specified in the chart.

Contrasting front panel

Round	Instruction	Stitch count
7	First wall round: work the middle seven stitches of the 9-stitch motif window in contrast; its two edge stitches stay main color.	36
8-12	Within the motif window: main-color first stitch, 3 contrast sc, 1 main-color sc, 3 contrast sc, main-color last stitch.	36
13	Within the motif window: 2 main-color sc, 2 contrast sc, 1 main-color sc, 2 contrast sc, 2 main-color sc.	36
14	Work the entire top round in main color. Join and fasten off.	36

All stitches outside the 9-stitch motif window stay main color. Center this window opposite the round join; mark its boundaries before starting. This centering is a BATELO placement choice.

Color changes and finishing

1. To change color in sc, complete its final yarn-over with the new color. Carry the inactive yarn loosely on the inside or use separate short lengths; do not leave long loose floats.
2. Weave in every color-change tail on the inside. Shape the base flat and walls upright following the yarn label.
3. Optional BATELO face: embroider two small eyes and a triangular beak on the front. No charted eye/beak dimensions are supplied; do not add beads for a child-facing item.

Care and use

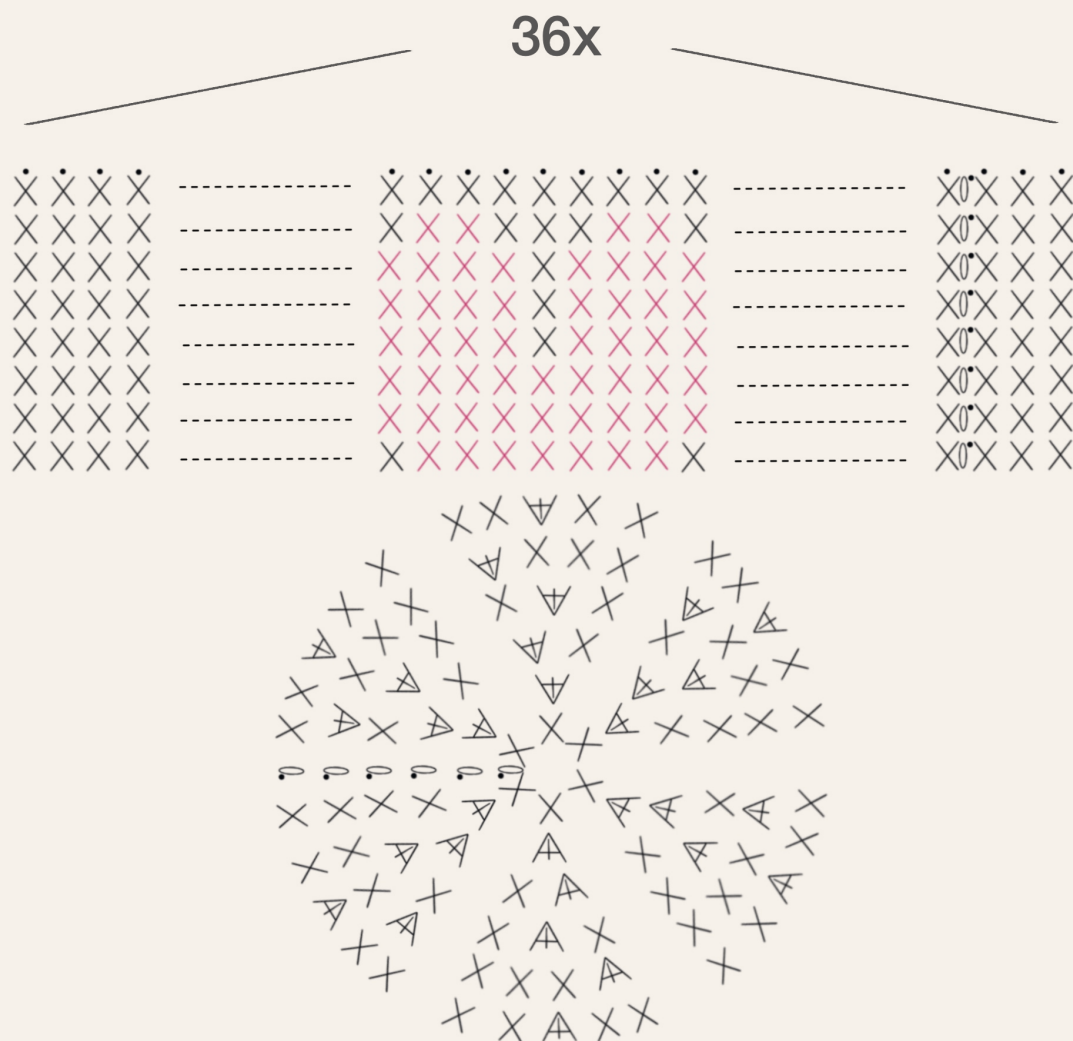
Follow the yarn label for washing and blocking. These projects have no verified heat-resistance, child-safety, or load-bearing rating. Inspect attached details and seams before use.

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CROCHET DIAGRAM

Read the lower base first. Then read the eight upper wall rounds from bottom to top, following each row around from its chain-and-join edge.



X = sc; forked X pair = inc; oval = ch; solid dot = sl st; 36x = 36 sc. Pink stitches form the contrasting motif.

Original supplied chart preserved. Pale or ambiguous symbols remain subject to source confirmation.