



Striped Easter Egg Cover

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Difficulty level: **(advanced beginner)

Materials: Size 10 crochet cotton, crochet hook size 8 (1.5 mm), 1½" x 2¼" plastic Easter egg, needle

Gauge: Rounds 1-3 = 1¾"

Ch 5; join with a sl st in the first ch to form a ring

Round 1: Ch 3 to count as the first dc, work 11 more dc in the ring; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch 3. (12 dc)

Round 2: Ch 6 to count as the first trc and the first ch 2, (trc in the next dc, ch 2) 11 times; join with a sl st in the 4th ch of the beginning ch 5. (12 trc & 12 ch-2 sps)

Round 3: Sl st in the first ch-2 sp, ch 3 to count as the first dc, work 4 more dc in the same sp, work 5 dc in each of the remaining 11 ch-2 sps; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch 3. (60 dc)

Round 4: Ch 5 to count as the first trc and the first ch 1, skip next dc, (trc in the next dc, ch 1, skip next dc) 29 times; join with a sl st in the 4th ch of the beginning ch 5. (30 trc & 30 ch-1 sps)

Round 5: Ch 3 to count as the first dc, dc in the first ch-1 sp, (dc in the next trc, dc in the next ch-1 sp) 29 times; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch 3. (60 dc)

Round 6: Ch 6 to count as the first trc and the first ch 2, skip next 2 dc, (trc in the next dc, ch 2, skip next 2 dc) 19 times; join with a sl st in the 4th ch of the beginning ch 6. (20 trc & 20 ch-2 sps)

Round 7: Ch 3 to count as the first dc, 2 dc in the next ch-2 sp, (dc in the next trc, 2 dc in the next ch-2 sp) 19 times; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch 3. (60 dc)

Round 8: Repeat round 4. (30 trc & 30 ch-1 sps)

Round 9: Sl st in the first ch-1 sp, ch 3 to count as the first dc, dc in the same sp, dc in the next ch-1 sp, (2 dc in the next ch-1 sp, dc in the next ch-1 sp) 14 times; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch 3. (45 dc) Insert egg into the crocheted piece, larger end first.

Round 10: Ch 4 to count as the first trc, trc in the next dc, (skip next dc, tr in the next dc) 21 times, trc in the next dc; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch 4. (24 trc)

Round 11" Ch 3 to count as the first dc, skip next dc, (dc in the next dc, skip next dc) 11 times; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch 3. (12 dc) Fasten off, leaving a 10" thread tail for sewing. Thread needle with thread tail; sew round 11 closed.