



Swirled Easter Egg Potholder

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Difficulty level: *(beginner)

Materials: About 2 ounces variegated worsted weight cotton yarn (Peaches & Cream Shades of Sprung was used in the sample), crochet hook size H (5.00 mm) or size needed to achieve gauge, 1" plastic "bone" ring

Gauge: 4 sc rows = 1"; 5 sc = 1½"

Finished size: About 5½" x 7"

To work a sc dec: Insert hook in first indicated st and pull up a loop, insert hook in next st and pull up a loop; yo and pull through all 3 remaining loops on hook.

Potholder (make 2 of these pieces)

Ch 9

Row 1: Work 2 sc in the 2nd ch from hook, sc in each of the next 6 ch's, 2 sc in the last ch; ch 1, turn. (10 sc)

Row 2: Work 2 sc in the first sc, sc in each of the next 8 sc, 2 sc in the last sc; ch 1, turn. (12 sc)

Row 3: Work 2 sc in the first sc, sc in each of the next 10 sc, 2 sc in the last sc; ch 1, turn. (14 sc)

Row 4: Sc in each sc across; ch 1, turn. (14 sc)

Row 5: Work 2 sc in the first sc, sc in each of the next 12 sc, 2 sc in the last sc; ch 1, turn. (16 sc)

Row 6: Sc in each sc across; ch 1, turn. (16 sc)

Row 7: Work 2 sc in the first sc, sc in each of the next 14 sc, 2 sc in the last sc; ch 1, turn. (18 sc)

Rows 8-17: Sc in each sc across; ch 1, turn. (18 sc)

Row 18: Sc dec over the first 2 sc, sc in each of the next 14 sc, sc dec over the last 2 sc; ch 1, turn. (16 sts)

Row 19: Sc in each sc across; ch 1, turn. (16 sc)

Row 20: Sc dec over the first 2 sc, sc in each of the next 12 sc, sc dec over the last 2 sc; ch 1, turn. (14 sts)

Row 21: Sc in each sc across; ch 1, turn. (14 sc)

Row 22: Sc dec over the first 2 sc, sc in each of the next 10 sc, sc dec over the last 2 sc; ch 1, turn. (12 sts)

Row 23: Sc in each sc across; ch 1, turn. (12 sc)

Row 24: Sc dec over the first 2 sc, sc in each of the next 8 sc, sc dec over the last 2 sc; ch 1, turn. (10 sts)

Row 25: Sc dec over the first 2 sc, sc in each of the next 6 sc, sc dec over the last 2 sc; ch 1, turn. (8 sts)

Row 26: Sc dec over the first 2 sc, sc in each of the next 4 sc, sc dec over the last 2 sc; ch 1, turn. (6 sts)

Row 27: Sc dec over the first 2 sc, sc in each of the next 2 sc, sc dec over the last 2 sc; ch 1, turn. (4 sts) Fasten off.

Finishing: Lay one of the potholder pieces over the other; sc together around the entire perimeter of the potholder. Sew the "bone" ring to the center top of the potholder to hand. Weave in all ends.