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## What you will need:

RED HEART\* Super Saver\*: 1 skein each of the following for indicated sizes: Small: 368 Paddy Green A, 672 Spring Green B, 668 Honeydew C Medium: 376 Burgundy A, 3901 Rouge B, 718 Shocking Pink C. Large: 5851 Deim A, 3945 Blue Suede B, 347 Light Periwinkle C All Sizes: 341 Light Grey D, 400 Grey Heather E, 3950 Charcoal F, and 312 Black G

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Needles: 8mm [US 11] circular needle, 29" [73.5 cm] long, one set of 8mm [US 11] double pointed needles

Stitch marker, yarn needle

GAUGE: 10 sts = 4" [10 cm]; 24 rows = 4" [10 cm] in Double Garter pattern with 3 strands of yarn held together. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.

## **BUY YARN**

RED HEART\* Super Saver\*, Art. E300 available in solid color 7 oz (198 g), 364 yd (333 m); multicolor, heather and print 5 oz (141 g), 236 yd (215 m), flecks 5 oz (141g), 260 yds (238 m) skeins



# **Ombre Knit Baskets**

Organize your clutter with knit baskets that are super cool for living areas or kids' rooms! We've shown three sizes in three color combinations, but you can use any hues that are right for you. Directions are for size Small basket. Changes for Medium and Large baskets are in parentheses.

Small basket measures about  $7 \ensuremath{\scale}\xspace^{-1}$  [19 cm] tall and 30" [76 cm] circumference.

Medium basket measures about 10½" [26.5 cm] tall and 36" [91.5 cm] circumference.

Large basket measures about 14" [35.5 cm] tall and 42" [106.5 cm] circumference.

# Pattern Stitch

Double Garter Pattern Round 1: Knit. Rounds 2 and 3: Purl. Round 4: Knit. Repeat Rounds 1-4 for Double Garter pattern.

## Notes

- 1. Each basket is worked in rounds, beginning at the top edge.
- 2. Begin working with circular needle, then change to double pointed needles when stitches no longer fit comfortably on circular needle.
- 3. Three strands are held together throughout. Wind all skeins of yarn into three separate skeins before beginning.

# BASKET

## Sides

Beginning at top edge with circular needle and 3 strands of **A** held together, cast on 75 (90, 105) sts. Place marker on needle for beginning of round. Prepare to work in rounds.

Rounds 1 and 2: Purl.

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## Handles

Round 3: K12 (15, 18), bind off 12 (15, 17), k25 (30, 36) (the first of these knit sts is already on right needle when the previous bind off is completed), bind off 12 (15, 17), knit to end of round. Round 4: K12 (15, 18), cast on 12 (15, 17) sts over bound-off sts. k25 (30, 36), cast on 12 (15, 17) sts, knit to end of round. Rounds 5 and 6: Purl. Round 7: Knit.

With **A**, beginning with Row 1 of pattern,

work in Double Garter pattern for 4 rows. Cut A. Change to B.

With **B**, beginning with Row 1 of pattern, work in Double Garter pattern for 4 (8, 12) rows.

Cut B. Change to C.

With **C**, beginning with Row 1 of pattern, work in Double Garter pattern for 4 (8, 12) rows.

Cut C. Change to D.

With **D**, beginning with Row 1 of pattern, work in Double Garter pattern for 4 (8, 12) rows.

Cut D. Change to E.

With E, beginning with Row 1 of pattern, work in Double Garter pattern for 4 (8, 12) rows.

Cut E. Change to F.

With **F**, beginning with Row 1 of pattern, work in Double Garter pattern for 4 (8, 12) rows.

Cut F. Change to G.

With **G**, beginning with Row 1 of pattern, work in Double Garter pattern for 12 rows.

## Base

Continue with **G**. Change to double pointed needles when stitches no longer fit comfortably around circular needle. Round 1 (decrease round): \*K3 (4, 5), k2tog; repeat from \* around-60 (75.90) sts.

#### Rounds 2 and 3: Purl. Round 4: Knit. Round 5 (decrease round): \*K2 (3, 4), k2tog; repeat from \* around-45 (60, 75) sts. Rounds 6 and 7: Purl. Round 8: Knit. Round 9 (decrease round): \*K1 (2, 3). k2tog; repeat from \* around-30 (45, 60) sts. Rounds 10 and 11: Purl. Round 12: Knit. Round 13 (decrease round): \*KO (1, 2), k2tog; repeat from \* around–15

Medium Basket Only: Rounds 14 and 15: Purl. Round 16: Knit. Round 17 (decrease round): \*K2tog; repeat from \* around-15 sts.

## Large Basket Only:

(30, 45) sts.

Rounds 14 and 15: Purl. Round 16: Knit. Round 17 (decrease round): \*K1, k2tog; repeat from \* around-30 sts. Rounds 18 and 19: Purl. Round 20: Knit. Round 21 (decrease round): \*K2tog; repeat from \* around-15 sts.

#### All Sizes:

Next 2 Rounds: Purl. Next Round: Knit. Last Round (decrease round): \*K2tog; repeat from \* to last st, k1-8 sts. Cut yarn, leaving an 18" [45.5 cm] tail. Thread all 3 strands of tail into yarn needle and weave needle through remaining stitches. Pull to close opening

at bottom of basket and knot securely. continued





## **FINISHING**

Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

**A**, **B**, **C**, etc. = Color A, Color B, Color C etc; **k** = knit; **k2tog** = knit next 2 sts together; **st(s)** = stitch(es); \* = repeat whatever follows the \* as indicated.

