

Dimensional Pumpkin Potholder



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This potholder is shaped like a catcher's mitt, so that when it hangs on the wall it looks like a 3-dimensional pumpkin.



Materials:

- About 3 ounces of pumpkin-colored worsted weight cotton yarn
- A few yards of green worsted weight cotton yarn
- Crochet hook size G (4.00 mm)
- One 1" lucite ring
- Yarn needle

Gauge: Not real important for this project...if you crochet loosely, use a smaller size hook.

To work fpdc: yo, insert the hook around the post of the indicated st from front to back to front and pull up a loop, (yo and pull through 2 loops on hook) 2 times.

To work dc dec (over 2 sts): yo, insert hook in the first indicated st and pull up a loop, yo and pull through 2 loops on hook, yo, insert hook in the next indicated st and pull up a loop, yo and pull through 2 loops on hook, yo and pull through all 3 remaining loops on hook.

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Pumpkin

With pumpkin color, 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 9 more dc in the ring; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch 3. (10 dc)

Round 2: Ch 3 to count as the first dc, fpdc around the post of the same dc, (dc, fpdc) in each remaining dc around; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch 3. (20 sts)

Round 3: Ch 3 to count as the first dc, dc in the next fpdc, fpdc around the post of the same fpdc, (dc in the next dc, dc in the next fpdc, fpdc around the post of the same fpdc) 9 times; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch 3. (30 sts)

Round 4: Ch 3 to count as the first dc, dc in the next dc, dc in the next fpdc, fpdc around the post of the same fpdc, (dc in each of the next 2 dc, dc in the next fpdc, fpdc around the post of the same fpdc) 9 times; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch 3. (40 sts)

Round 5: Ch 3 to count as the first dc, dc in each of the next 2 dc, dc in the next fpdc, fpdc around the post of the same fpdc, (dc in each of the next 3 dc, dc in the next fpdc, fpdc around the post of the same fpdc) 9 times; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch 3. (50 sts)

Round 6: Ch 3 to count as the first dc, dc in each of the next 3 dc, fpdc around the post of the next fpdc, (dc in each of the next 4 dc, fpdc around the post of the next fpdc) 9 times; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch 3. (50 sts)

Round 7: Ch 3 to count as the first dc, dc in each of the next 3 dc, dc in the next fpdc, fpdc around the post of the same fpdc, (dc in each of the next 4 dc, dc in the next fpdc, fpdc around the post of the same fpdc) 9 times; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch 3. (60 sts)

Rounds 8-11: Ch 3 to count as the first dc, dc in each of the next 4 dc, fpdc around the post of the next fpdc, (dc in each of the next 5 dc, fpdc around the post of the next fpdc) 9 times; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch 3. (60 sts)

Round 12: Ch 3 to count as the first dc, dc in each of the next 2 dc, dc dec over the next 2 dc, fpdc around the post of the next fpdc, (dc in each of the next 3 dc, dc dec over the next 2 dc, fpdc around the post of the next fpdc) 9 times; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch 3. (50 sts)

Round 13: Ch 3 to count as the first dc, dc in each of the next 3 sts, fpdc around the post of the next fpdc, (dc in each of the next 4 sts, fpdc around the post of the next fpdc) 9 times; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch 3. (50 sts)

Round 14: Ch 3 to count as the first dc, dc in the next dc, dc dec over the next 2 dc, fpdc around the post of the next fpdc,

(dc in each of the next 2 dc, dc dec over the next 2 dc, fpdc around the post of the next fpdc) 9 times; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch 3. (40 sts)

Round 15: Ch 3 to count as the first dc, dc dec over the next 2 dc, fpdc around the post of the next fpdc, (dc in the next dc, dc dec over the next 2 dc, fpdc around the post of the next fpdc) 9 times; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch 3. (30 sts)

Round 16: Ch 3 to count as the first dc, fpdc around the post of the next fpdc, (dc dec over the next 2 dc, fpdc around the post of the next fpdc) 9 times; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch 3. (20 sts)

Round 17: Inserting the hook from front to back to front, sl st around the post of the next fpdc, ch 3 to count as the first fpdc, fpdc around the post of each remaining fpdc around; join with a sl st in the top of the beginning ch 3. (10 sts) Fasten off.

Stem

With green, work 16 sc around the lucite ring; join with a sl st in the first sc. Fasten off.

Finishing

Matching the fpdc ridges to those opposite them, fold potholder in half so that it forms a bowl shape. With green yarn, sew 5 sc of the stem ring through both thicknesses of

round 17 of the potholder. With pumpkin yarn, sew through both thicknesses of the potholder along the fpdc ridges to keep the layers from separating. Weave in all ends.

