

Crochet Hook Caddy



CROCHET HOOK CADDY

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I crochet at my computer desk (don't we all?) and needed a better way to store the hooks I like to keep handy. I was keeping them in a pencil cup, and always had to remove all the hooks to find the one I wanted. This hook caddy has a coiled inner section that keeps the hooks separate for quick access...just insert the hooks between the coils!



Materials:

- About 4 ounces of a stiffer worsted weight acrylic, like Red Heart
- Crochet hook size G (4 mm) or size needed to achieve gauge
- Cardboard crochet thread core measuring about 3 1/2" in diameter x 3 1/2" high (I used the core from a ball of Aunt Lydia's "Denim" Quick Crochet)

Gauge: Rounds 1-3 of the inner section = about 2"

Finished size: About 3 3/4" in diameter x 4" high

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Inner (coiled) section

Ch 4, join with a sl st in the first ch to form a ring.

Round 1: Work 6 sc in the ring. (6 sc) Do not join. Instead, use a stitch marker to mark the first stitch in rounds 2-6.

Round 2: Work 2 sc in the back loop only of each sc around. (12 sc)

Round 3: (Sc in the back loop only of the first sc, 2 sc in the back loop only of the next sc) 6 times. (18 sc)

Round 4: (Sc in the back loop only of each of the next 2 sc, 2 sc in the back loop only of the next sc) 6 times. (24 sc)

Round 5: (Sc in the back loop only of each of the next 3 sc, 2 sc in the back loop only of the next sc) 6 times. (30 sc)

Round 6: (Sc in the back loop only of each of the next 4 sc, 2 sc in the back loop only of the next sc) 6 times; ch 2, turn. (36 sc)

***Pattern note:** The "ch 2" at the end of the rows does not count as the first dc in the next row.

***Pattern note:** After round 6, the pattern will be worked in spiral rows. Work tightly for best results.

Row 1: Dc in the back loop only of each of the first 36 sc, dc in each of the 90 unworked loops in rounds 5, 4, 3, 2, and 1; ch 2, turn. (126 dc)

Rows 2-6: Dc through both loops of each dc across; ch 2, turn. (126 dc)

Row 7: Dc through both loops of each dc across. (126 dc) Fasten off.

Outer cover

Ch 4, join with a sl st in the first ch to form a ring.

Round 1: Work 6 sc in the ring. (6 sc) Do not join. Instead, use a stitch marker to mark the first stitch in rounds 2-6.

Round 2: Work 2 sc in each sc around. (12 sc)

Round 3: (Sc in the first sc, 2 sc in the next sc) 6 times. (18 sc)

Round 4: (Sc in the each of next 2 sc, 2 sc in the next sc) 6 times. (24 sc)

Round 5: (Sc in each next 3 sc, 2 sc in the next sc) 6 times. (30 sc)

Round 6: (Sc in each of the next 4 sc, 2 sc in the next sc) 6 times; ch 2, turn. (36 sc)

Round 7 (joining to the bottom of the inner section): Insert hook in the back loop only of the next sc and into the

first skipped front loop of round 6 of the inner section and complete a sc, (insert hook in the back loop only of the next sc and into the next skipped front loop of round 6 of the inner section and complete a sc) 35 times. (36 sc)

Rounds 8-23: Leaving the inner section hanging from the bottom of the piece, sc through both loops of each sc around. (36 sc) Fasten off after round 23.

Finishing

Turn outer cover right side out to enclose the inner section. Insert the cardboard core between the inner and outer sections. Straighten outer cover over the cardboard core.

Row 1: With yarn on hook, insert hook into the stitch on the outer cover closest to the first stitch on row 7 of the inner cover, then insert hook into the first stitch on row 7 of the inner section and complete a sc, (insert hook into the next st on the outer cover and into the next st on the inner section and complete a sc) 35 times to enclose the cardboard core; continue working a sc in each of the next 90 sts on the inner section; ch 1, turn. (126 sc)

Row 2: Sl st in each of the first 90 sts on the inner section, then continue working a sl st in each of the next 36 sc around the top perimeter of the caddy; join with a sl st in the first sl st at the top of the caddy. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

