

Steel Crochet Hook Case



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This case is worked all in one piece and folds like a book. The hook “pockets” are crocheted into the case! The case holds 16 hooks...a complete set of sizes 00 to 14.



Materials:

- Worsted weight “soft” yarn (I used Caron Simply Soft)
- Crochet hook size F (If you crochet loose, you may need to use a size E)
- 3 different stitch markers (Could be 3 different colors of yarn.)
- Two pieces of 5” x 5 1/2” plastic canvas (or size needed)
- Optional: 16” zipper (or size needed) OR “frog” button OR 16” ribbon (see “finishing”)

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Lining and Hook Pockets

Ch 26.

Row 1: Sc in the 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across; ch 1 loosely, turn. (25 sc)

Row 2: Hdc in each of the first 10 sts, hdc in the back loop only of each of the next 15 sc to form the back of the hook pocket; turn clockwise; hdc in the free loops of the same 15 sc to form the front of the hook pocket; ch 1, turn; insert hook

through the first hdc of the front of the hook pocket and through the first hdc of the back of the hook pocket, complete sc; *insert hook through the next hdc of the front of the hook pocket and through the next hdc of the back of the hook pocket, complete sc;* Repeat from * to * 13 times to completely close hook pocket; ch 1, turn.

Row 3: Sc in each of the 15 sc, hdc in each of the 10 hdc; ch 1 loosely, turn.

Rows 4-17: (Repeat rows 2 and 3) 7 times.

To form the spine of the case lining:

Row 18: Sc in each st across; ch 1, turn. (25 sc)

Row 19: Sc in the back loop only of each sc across; ch 1, turn. (25 sc) (Place marker 1 in a front loop of this row to mark row)

Rows 20-21: Repeat rows 18 and 19. (25 sc) (Place marker 2 in a free front loop of row 21 to mark row)

Rows 22-40: Repeat rows 1-19; ch 1 loosely at the end of row 40. (Place marker 3 in a front loop of row 40 to mark row.)

Outside Cover

Row 41: Hdc in the first sc, (sc in the next sc, dc in the next sc) 11 times, sc in the next sc, hdc in the last sc; ch 1 loosely, turn. (25 sts)

Row 42: Hdc in the first hdc, (dc in the next sc, sc in the next dc) 11 times, dc in the next sc, had in the last hdc; ch 1 loosely, turn. (25 sts)

Row 43: Hdc in the first hdc, (sc in the next dc, dc in the next sc) 11 times, sc in the next dc, hdc in the last hdc; ch 1 loosely, turn. (25 sts)

Rows 44-56: (Repeat rows 42 and 43) 6 times, then repeat row 42 one more time.

Row 57: Sc in each st across; ch 1, turn. (25 sc)

Outside Cover Spine

Row 58: Fold cover toward the outside center of the case. Insert hook in the back loop of the first dc on row 57 AND through the first free front loop of row 21 (marked with marker 2); complete sc. Continue joining the back loops of row 57 and the free front loops of row 21 with a sc across; ch 1, turn. (25 sc)

Row 59: Sc in each sc across; ch 1, turn. (25 sc)

Row 60: Insert hook in the back loop of the first sc on row 59 AND through the first free front loop of row 19 (marked with marker 1); complete sc. Continue joining the back loops of row 59 and the free front loops of row 19 with a sc across; ch 1, turn. (25 sc)

Rows 61: Sc in each sc across; ch 1 loosely, turn. (25 sc)

Rows 62-77: Repeat rows 41-56.

Row 78: Fold cover so the edge of row 76 matches the beginning foundation chain; sc through both loops of row 76 AND the free loops of the beginning foundation chain across to join (25 sc); do not fasten off.

Round 1: With outside cover facing you, sc evenly through both thicknesses of the case along the bottom to join (this will be along the bottom of the hook pockets); sc in each of the free loops of row 40 (marked with marker 3); insert plastic canvas piece in each of the “pockets” formed between the outside cover and lining; continue joining with sc’s through both thickness along top of the case; join with a sl st to the front loop of the first sc of row 77.

Round 2: (Cover piping) Continue working a sl st in the front loop of each sc around; join with a sl st to the first sl st.

Round 3: (Zipper facing) Sl st in the first free back loop in the sc’s of round 1, ch 2, hdc in the back loop of each sc around; join with a sl st to the top of the beginning ch 2. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Finishing

If desired, sew zipper to the inside of the zipper facing, having the bottom of the zipper centered at the bottom of the spine. You may also use “frog”-type buttons to close the case, or sew ribbons to the sides to form a tie closure.

