

FLOWERS POTHOLDER



This potholder is made double to slip over Hot Pan handles.

Materials: Each holder will use 50 yds of background color (white or ivory); 18-20 yds for the flower pot and edge if in same color, 5 yds each of lt blue and med green for the flowers and stems; instructions call for colors shown with ivory background but may be changed to your favorite combination.

Size 1 steel crochet hook.

Sides: In ivory, ch 34, sc in second st from hook, (ch 1, sc in next second st) 16 times. * Ch 1, turn, sc in last sc, (ch 1, sc in next) 16 times. Repeat from * 16 times.

Point: Ch 1, turn, sc in last sc, (ch 1, sc in next) 7 times, hdc in next.

--* Turn, skip hdc, sl st in sc, (ch 1, sc in next) across.

--Ch 1, turn, sc in last, (ch 1, sc in next) across to second from end, hdc in next.

Repeat from * to * twice.

--Turn, skip hdc, sl st in sc, ch 1, sc in next.

--Ch 1, turn, sc in sc. Fasten off.

--Join again to center sc of last full row, (ch 1, sc in next sc) 8 times.

--Ch 1, turn, sc in last sc, (ch 1, sc in next sc) 6 times, hdc in next. Repeat from * to * 3 times.

Turn, skip hdc, sc in sc. Fasten off.

Edge: Turn and in red, 3 sc in one lower corner, (ch 1, sc in next second st) around, 3 sc in each corner. Fasten off.

Basket: In red, ch 8, 7 sc on chain. Ch 3, turn, dc in each sc, with 2 dc in end sc. Ch 3, turn, dc in each dc, with 2 dc in end 3-ch. Ch 1, turn, sl st in last, (ch 1, sl st in next) 10 times. Cut 6" long and fasten off on back. Tack on center of one side 1/2" from bottom, leaving top edge free.

Large Flower: In Ivory, ch 2, 6 sc in starting st, sl st in first sc. Fasten off. Turn, sl st in blue in sc, * (ch 2, hdc, ch 2, sl st) in same sc, sl st in next sc. Repeat from * 5 times. Fasten off. Sew over right corner of basket.

Leaves: In green, * ch 7, skip last st, (sc, hdc, 2 dc, hdc and sl st) on chain. Repeat from *. Fasten off. Sew out from top of flower.

Half-Flower: In ivory, ch 2, 3 sc in starting st and fasten off. Turn, sl st in blue in first sc, * (ch 2, hdc, ch 2, sl st) in same sc, sl st in next sc.

Repeat from * for 3 petals. Fasten off.

Stem: In green, ch 7, sl st in sixth from hook, ch 5, sl st in same st, ch 6, cut 6" long and pull through loop tight. Thread to needle and tack to base of flower. Tuck stem under top of basket 1/2" from left corner and curve stem and flower around and down to left.

Center Spray: In green, ch 13, cut 2" long. Pull through loop tight and trim close. Ch 16 for second stem. Tuck under top of basket between flowers, the 13-ch stem on left side, and curve them around to left. Using red, trim stems with French Knots, one at end of each, 3 more along shorter stem, 4 more on other, close to under side of stems.

Make two pieces, line each piece, place back to back and whip top edges together. Sew ring to top left corner.