

# Peek A Boo Rabbit Crochet Easter Basket

## Materials List

- Size H Crochet Hook or 5.00 mm
- 1 Ball of 4 ply Red Heart Super Saver or equivalent yarn.
- Optional buttons, ribbons.
- Fun Fur Yarn or equivalent for a fluffy cute edge to the rim of the basket.

## Definitions

CH - Chain

DC- double crochet

HDC - Half Double Crochet

SC - Single Crochet

SL ST - Slip Stitch

BEG - Beginning

REP - Repeat

2TOG sc decrease- 2 sc together to decrease

2TOG HDC Decrease - 2 hdc stitches together to decrease

## Free Pattern

This pattern works in rounds.

1. Ch 4 and SL ST to the Beg CH to form a ring.
2. Ch 2, then HDC 9 times around the ring. (Ch 2 counts as 1 HDC = 10 HDC). SL ST at the end to the top of the Beg Ch 2.
3. Ch 2, then 1 HDC into the same joining stitch. 2 HDC into each stitch around the circle. SL ST at the end to the top of the Beg Ch 2.
4. Ch 2, \*1 HDC into the next stitch and then 2 HDC into the next. Repeat from \* all the way around. SL ST at the end to the top of the Beg Ch 2.
5. Ch 2, \*1 HDC into the next 2 stitches, 2 HDC into the next. Repeat from \* all the way around. SL ST at the end to the top of the Beg Ch 2.
6. Ch 2, \*1 HDC into the next 3 stitches, 2 HDC into the next. Repeat from \* all the way around. SL ST at the end to the top of the Beg Ch 2.

7. Ch 2, \*1 HDC into the next 4 stitches, 2 HDC into the next. Repeat from \* all the way around. SL ST at the end of the top of the Beg Ch 2.
8. Ch 2, \*1 HDC into the next 5 stitches, 2 HDC into the next. Repeat from \* all the way around. SL ST at the end of the top of the Beg Ch 2.
9. Ch 2, \* 1 HDC into the next 6 stitches, 2 HDC into the next. Repeat from \* all the way around. SL ST at the end of the top of the Beg Ch 2.
10. Ch 2, \*1 HDC into the next 7 stitches, 2 HDC into the next. Repeat from \* all the way around. SL ST at the end of the top of the Beg
11. Ch 1, SC in back loops only around. SL ST at the end of the top of the Beg CH 1
12. Ch2, \* HDC in each stitch around. SL ST at the end of the top of the Beg ch 2 repeat \* around for 9 more rows
13. Ch 1, \* SC in each stitch around. SL ST at the top of each of the top of the Beg Ch 1. Repeat from \* around for 3 more rows.
14. Fasten off and weave in ends.

### Strap



1. Chain 80 or 90. HDC in the second stitch from the hook and HDC across to end, cast off, Make 3
2. Braid these three pieces together tight enough so the strap keeps its shape but not too tight so it will buckle.

3. Fold basket in half with the front and back of basket together to find the sides of your basket. Make sure your seam is in the back of the basket in the middle. Sew ends of the braided strap to the insides of the basket with a needle and yarn as even as you can.

### **Alternative Strap Option**

Instead of a strap, you could chain 10- 12, SC into the first chain from the hook and across, then attach the loop to the back of the basket to use for hanging it.

### **Optional Add a Peek-a-boo Animal face to your Basket (with new corrections)**

Fold basket in half putting the sides of your basket together to find the middle of the front of the basket with the seam in the back. From middle stitch count over 8 or 9 stitches and attach yarn with an sl st.

Note: Ch 1 counts as a st going forward

1. \*Ch 1, then make 16 sc across, repeat from \* for rows 2-5 (17)
6. Ch1, sc2tog over the first 2 sts, then sc across until the last 2 sts for a sc2tog over the last 2 sts (15)
7. \*Ch1, sc across to the end of the row, repeat from \* for rows 8 and 9 (15)
10. \*Ch1, sc2tog over the first 2 sts, then sc across until the last 2 sts for a sc2tog over the last 2 st(13), repeat from \* for row 11 (11)
12. sc across to end of row (11) Do not tie off

as you will continue the first ear:

Ears:

(ch 1 doesn't count as first st going forward)

1. \*Ch1, Sc for 5 st, repeat from \* for rows 2-7(5)
8. Ch1, Sc2tog over the first 2 st, 1 SC into the next st, sc2tog over the last 2 st (3)
9. Ch1, sc across (3)
10. Ch 1, 2sctog 1sc(2)
11. 2sctog(1)

Sl st at end of the ear, pull tight, tie off weave in end.

For 2nd ear: (ch1 doesn't count as st) you will still be working right to left in this row.

Going into the very next st after the 5th st of the ear already made, attach yarn with a sl st

1. \*Ch1, Sc for 5 st, repeat from \* for rows 2-7(5)

8. Ch1, Sc2tog over the first 2 st, 1 SC into the next st, sc2tog over the last 2 st (3)

9. Ch1, sc across (3)

10. Ch 1, 2sctog 1sc(2)

11. 2sctog(1)

Sl st at end of the ear, pull tight, tie off weave in end.

### **Making Faces**

You can crochet the pieces for the face or use felt or stitch work. Small buttons can also be used for eyes and nose. You can sew or use a glue gun to attach pieces. For extra security use a very small dab of hot glue to attach buttons. Hint: if you decide to do stitch work for face and ears, try to work in front of crochet stitches only, don't go all the way threw back.

\*You can also add bows and flowers to your character for extra cuteness!

### **Cheeks**

Make 2, With F hook, ch 3, SL ST to the Beg CH to form a ring, 6 sc in ring, tie off. Glue or sew on the face to attach

### **Final Touches to Clean Up Face Edges**

When face and ears are done, attach yarn and SC around the face and ears to make a nice clean finished look all the way around the face. Fasten off and weave in ends.

### **Rabbit Paws**

Attach yarn to stitch next to the head on either side of the head. Ch2, 6 DC's into next st, skip one st, SC into next st Fasten off. Use a small dab of hot glue to attach the bottom of the wing to basket or stitch in place

### **Fun Fur Edge**

- At end of wing/paw, work from back or inside of the top of baskets edge work sc around using fun fur to paw on the other side.
- To work fun fur under character fold animal down inside the basket and use stitches in front of the basket underneath the face of the animal to sc. fun fur on across in-between paws/wings

Enjoy your new Easter Basket.