

BASKET WEAVE YARN HOLDER

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Size: 27 x 25 cm (diameter x height).

Cord: 265 m (= 1.55 kg) of Lankava Paulina Chunky Twine (80 % recycled cotton, 20 % polyester, 1 kg = 170 – 180 m), cocoa (55).

Other supplies: Round plywood basket base 25 cm (57 holes), round plywood basket lid 27 cm, metal ring 25 cm and metal crochet hook 5 – 6 mm.

Double Half Hitch = DHH (pic 1): Keeping the filler cord horizontally in front of the working cords with your right hand, *take the working cord up and around the filler cord, then take it back down. Tighten the knot around the filler cord.* Repeat *-* once more with the same working cord and tighten the knots next to each other.

Diagonal Double Half Hitch to the right = DDHH to the right (pic 2): Keeping the filler cord diagonally in front of the working cords with your right hand, *take the working cord up and around the filler cord, then take it back down. Tighten the knot around the filler cord.* Repeat *-* once more with the same working cord and tighten the knots next to each other. Work **DDHH to the left (pic 3)** as a mirror image: Keeping the filler cord diagonally in front of the working cords with your left hand, *take the working cord up and around the filler cord, then take it back down. Tighten the knot around the filler cord.* Repeat *-* once more with the same working cord and tighten the knots next to each other.



Instructions: Cut 57 working cords of 3.3 m, 62 working cords of 1.1 m and 5 filler cords of 1.2 m. Using Lark's Head Knots, tie all 3.3 m working cords to the basket base as follows: Fold the working cord in half, pass the folded loop through the hole, thread the cord ends through the folded loop and tighten the knot to the edge of the base. Hang the base upside down with the help of the filler cords at a suitable working height and start working the basket in a spiral in groups of 6 cords.

Round 1: *Take the 2nd cord from the left as the filler cord and make 3 DDHHs to the right around it. Then take the 1st cord from the left as the filler cord and make 3 DDHHs to the right around it*. Move on to the next group of 6 cords and repeat *-* until the end of the round = 19 DDHH cords.

Round 2: *Take the 1st cord from the left as the filler cord and make 4 DDHHs to the left around it. Take the 2nd cord from the left as the filler cord and make 4 DDHHs to the left around it*. Move on to the next group of 6 cords and repeat *-* until the end of the round = 19 DDHH cords.

Round 3: *Take the 2 center cords from the previous round's DDHH cords as the filler cords, make 4 DDHHs to the right around the upper cord and then do the same with the lower cord*. Repeat *-* until the end of the round = 19 DDHH cords.

Round 4: As Round 3 but make knots diagonally to the left.

Repeat Rounds 3 – 4 three times more. Finish by repeating Round 3 = ca. 24 cm.

Round 12: Take the 2 center cords from the previous round's DDHH cord as the filler cords, make 2 DDHHs to the left around the upper cord, but make 1 DDHH to the left around the lower cord.

Next, attach a metal ring for reinforcement to the top of the basket as follows: Tie the ring to few points along the lower edge of the knots, then move the cords inside the ring and make 1 DHH with each cord.

Lid: Take 62 working cords of 1.1 m and tie them to the lid's holes with Lark's Head Knots. Place the lid on the top of the basket and finish the edge as follows: Using a pin, temporarily attach a 1.2 m filler cord at the left side of the beginning of the round and make 1 DHH with each working cord around it = 124 DHHs. Make sure the filler cord will not be too tight. You can adjust the spacing of the DHHs as you go and in the end. When making the last knots of the round, overlap the filler cords coming from opposite directions and tie the final knots around them. Make 4 more rounds of DHHs, changing the position of the beginning of the round each time.

Finishing: Flatten the knots on the basket and lid as needed and weave in the filler cords. Using crochet hook, weave in the working cords inside the knots on the wrong side of the work. Cut and trim the cord ends, then treat them with a mixture of glue and water (= 1 part glue to 2 parts of water) and let dry.

DHH (pic 1)



DDHH to the right (pic 2)



DDHH to the left (pic 3)

