

## Dad's Treasure Chest

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This treasure chest is perfect for Dad to put his pocket change in at the end of the day! Give it to him filled with gold wrap candies!

## **Materials Needed**

Worsted weight acrylic yarn in Coffee Brown. Red Heart was used in the example

2 3" circles plastic canvas cut in half

3 pieces 7count plastic canvas 30x20 holes

2 pieces 7 count plastic canvas 20x20 holes

1 piece 7 count plastic canvas 30 by 30 holes

Size H/8 aluminum crochet hook

Yarn needle for stitching pieces together and for weaving in ends

Novelty button 3/4"

Yarn Thickness: 4mm Gauge: 4sc=1"

Finished Size: 5"x3½"x5"
Skill Level: Advanced

## **Instructions**

RND 1: Lid Ends: Make 2 the same. With brown. Ch5. Join w/slst to first ch to form ring. Ch3. 14 dc in ring. Join w/slst to top of ch3. RND 2: Ch3. Dc in same st as slst. 2dc in each st around. Join w/slst to top of ch3.

**RND 3:** Ch1. Sc in each st around. Join w/slst to ch1. Fasten off. Weave starting end into back of work. Set both aside until assembly.

**ROW 1:** Lid top: Make 2 the same. Ch16. Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across. Ch3, turn.

**ROW 2:** Sk very first st. Dc in each st across. Ch1, turn.

**ROW 3:** Sc in each st across. Ch3, turn. **ROW 4-11:** Rep row 2& 3. Fasten off, weave ends into back of work.

**ROW 1:** Sides: Make 4 the same. Ch11. Sc in each ch across. Ch3, turn.

**ROW 2:** Sk very first sc. Dc in each sc across. Ch1, turn.

**ROW 3:** Sc in each st across. Ch3, turn. **ROW 4-7:** Rep row 2-3. At the end of row 7, instead of ch3, turn, Fasten off and weave ends into back of work.

**ROW 1:** Front, Bottom and back pieces. Make 6 the same. Ch16. Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across. Ch3. turn.

**ROW 2:** Sk very first sc. Dc in each sc across. Ch1. Turn.

**ROW 3:** Sc in each st across.

**ROW 4-7:** Rep rows 2 & 3. At the end of row 7, fasten off. Weave ends into back of work.

**Finishing Assembly:** Lid: Sandwich the 30 x 30 holes pieces between the 2 largest crocheted pieces. Make sure the rows are all going in the same direction. (Use a whip stitch.) Stitch one side only workting through all 3 layers on the row 11 side.

Finishing Lid Sides: Put each half circle inside each crocheted circle. Stitch the ends to the lid top as shown in the picture. Work through all thicknesses. (Use a whip stitch.) Leave the 1 long end of the top unworked to stitch to the back of the box later. Set lid aside.

Finishing Plastic Canvas Box: Stitch all plastic pieces together. Stitch the 3 long pieces together along the long edges. Stitch the small pieces on either side of the center long piece. You should now have a cross. Stitch the sides together so you have a box. Set aside.

Finishing Outside and inside crocheted pieces.: Make 2 the same. Do the same as you did for the plastic pieces. But working with the crocheted pieces instead. Make sure all of the rows of the large pieces are all going in the same direction. Make sure the small pieces' rows are going perpendicular to the direction

of the larger pieces so that when you fold it up, they are horizontal. When you are done, you should have 2 crocheted boxes that look the same as the plastic box.

Finishing Putting it all together.: Tuck one of the crocheted boxes inside the plastic canvas box. Tuck the crochet lined box into the other crochet box. Whip stitch through all 3 layers around 3 sides of the top leaving 1 long side unworked. Before you attach the lid, tack the 3 layers of the box together at the joints. Use what ever method works for you.

**Finishing Attach Lid:** Stitch the unworked plastic canvas pieces togther to form a hinge. (The box to the lid.) Stitch the crochet parts closed.

**Finishing Loop & Button:** With a scrap of cream colored worsted weigh yarn and the same hook, make a chain 20 chs long. Sew to front of lid in the center. Sew button to front of box so that you can pull the loop over the button to close. DONE

**Finishing Giving As Gift:** Stuff with gold wrapped candies and give as a gift to your DAD!!



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