



Beaded Shells Votive Holder

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This beaded votive holder is made with shell stitches and is fun to make. All of the beads are strung on first, then it is stitched. You pull up the beads as you work each stitch where indicated. This votive holder is for the clear glass votive holders that are available at most major discount department stores.

Materials Needed

Size 10 Crochet Cotton in ecru
270 E Beads or 4mm round beads of desired color
1 - 2 3/16" x 2 1/2" clear glass Votive cup
Size 7 steel crochet hook
Tapestry needle that fits through hole in beads.

Yarn Thickness: 10thread

Gauge: 8dc=1" or circle at end of round 2 should measure 1"

Finished Size: 2 1/4w x 1 1/4h

Skill Level: Intermediate

Instructions

String all beads on first.

RND 1: Ch6. Join w/slst to first ch to form ring. Ch3, 17dc in ring. Join w/slst to top of ch3. (18dc)

RND 2: Ch3, dc in same st as slst. 2dc in each st around. Join w/slst to top of ch3. (32dc)

RND 3: Ch3, dc in same st as slst. Dc in next st. *2dc in next dc. Dc in next dc. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to top of ch3

RND 4: Ch3. 4dc in same st as slst. (Sk 2dc. Sc in next dc. Sk 2dc.) *5dc in next dc. Rep bet () once. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to top of ch3.

RND 5: Slst in each of the next 2 dc. Ch1. Sc in same st as last slst. (5dc in next sc. Sk 2 dc.) *Sc in next dc. Rep bet () once. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to first sc.

RND 6: Ch3, 4dc in same st as slst. (Sk 2dc. Sc in next dc.) *5dc in next sc. Rep bet () once. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to top of ch3.

Now for the next 5 rounds. you will be working the beads into each stitch in the following way. For each dc, (bdc) work as you normally would but before you pull the thread through the last 2 lps on hook bring up a bead, then pull through the last 2 lps on hook locking the bead in the stitch. When you work a beaded single crochet (bsc), insert hook in stitch, yo, pull up a loop, pull up bead, yo, pull through both loops on hook, locking the bead in the stitch. The beads will end up on the back side of work. At the end, you will be turning the work inside out before you put it on the glass holder.

RND 7: Slst in each of the next 2dc. Ch1, bsc in same st as last slst. 5bdc in next sc. Sk 2 dc. *Bsc in next dc. 5bdc in next sc. Sk 2 dc. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to first bsc.

RND 8: Ch2, bring up a bead, ch1. Counts as first bdc. 4bdc in same st as slst. Sk 2 bdc. Bsc in next bdc. *5bdc in next bsc. Sk 2 bdc. Bsc in next bdc. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to top of beaded ch3.

RND 9: Slst in each of the next 2 bdc. Ch1, bsc in same st as last slst. 5bdc in next bsc. Sk 2 bdc. *Bsc in next bdc. 5bdc in next bsc. Sk 2 bdc. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to bsc.

RND 10: Rep RND 8.

RND 11: Rep RND 9. No more beads from here!

RND 12: Ch3, 4dc in same st as slst. Sk 2 bdc. Sc in next bdc. *5dc in next bsc. Sk 2 bdc. Sc in next bdc. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to top of ch3.

RND 13: Slst in each of the next 2 dc. Ch1. Sc in same st as last slst. (5dc in next sc. Sk 2 dc.) *Sc in next dc. Rep bet () once. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to first sc. Fasten off and weave ends into front of work! Turn work so the beads are on the outside, slip glass votive holder inside work.

