



Beaded Flower Girl Basket

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This flower girl basket has a detachable bracelet as a handle. It is fun and easy to make and would make any flower girl thrilled to use this basket on the big day! Let the flower girl keep the basket and bracelet after the wedding is over!

Materials Needed

For Basket

Size 10 white crochet cotton
 Size 7 steel crochet hook
 Fine Tapestry Needle for weaving in ends
 Empty pint size clear deli container, clean
 120 white 4mm pearls
 24 lavender 4mm pearls
 White Sewing thread and needle
 2 split rings, 8mm, in either silver or gold according to color of bridal rings.
 Cool Melt Glue sticks & glue gun

For Bracelet

2 silver or gold plate lobster claw clasps 10.6 x 6.7mm
 2 silver or gold crimp beads, 2mm
 2 silver or gold crimp bead covers
 12" nylon covered wire .45mm in gold or silver
 12 lavender 4mm pearls
 6 white pearls 6mm
 2 white pearls 8mm
 1 accent bead, 10mmx15mm oval
 4 paper beads, 8mmx12mm oval or other oval accent beads
 Wire Cutters
 Crimping Pliers

Yarn Thickness: 10thread

Gauge: 8sc = 1"

Finished Size: 5"dx3"h

Skill Level: Intermediate

Instructions

RND 1: Ch5. Join w/slst to first ch to form ring. Ch3, dc in ring. Ch2. 2dc in ring, ch2, 5 times. Join w/slst to top of ch3.

RND 2: Ch3, dc in same st as slst. 2dc in next dc. Ch2. *2dc in each of the next 2 dc. Ch2. Rep from * around. Join w/sls to top of ch3.

RND 3: Ch3. Dc in next dc. Ch2. Dc in each of the next 2 dc. Ch2. *Dc in each of the next 2 dc. Ch2. Dc in each of the next 2 dc. Ch2. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to top of ch3.

RND 4: Ch3, dc in same st as last. 2dc in next dc. Ch1. 2dc in each of the next 2 dc. Ch2. *2dc in each of the next 2 dc. Ch1. 2dc in each of the next 2 dc. Ch2. Rep from * around Join w/slst to top of ch3.

RND 5: Ch3. Dc in next dc. Ch2. Dc in each of the next 2 dc, ch2, twice. Dc in each of the next 2 dc. *Dc in each of the next 2 dc, ch2, 3 times. Dc in each of the next 2 dc. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to top of ch3.

RND 6: Ch1, sc in next dc. 2sc in next ch2 sp. Sc in each of the next 2 dc, 2sc in next ch2 sp, twice. Sc in each of the next 2 dc. *Sc in each of the next 2 dc, 2sc in next

ch2 sp, 3 times. Sc in each of the next 2 dc. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to ch1.

RND 7: Ch1, sc in same st as slst. Ch1. (Sk 2 sc. Dc, ch1, dc, ch1, dc, ch1, dc in next sc. Sk 2 sc.)*Sc in next sc. Rep bet () once. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to first sc.

RND 8: Ch4, dc, ch1, dc, ch1, dc in same st as slst. Ch1. (Sk next 2 ch1 spaces. Sc in next ch1 sp. Ch1.) *Dc, ch1, dc, ch1, dc, ch1, dc in next sc. Ch1. Rep bet () once. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to 3rd ch of ch4.

RND 9: Slst in next ch1 sp, dc & next ch1 sp. Ch1, sc in same sp as last slst. (Ch1.



Dc, ch1, dc, ch1, dc, ch1, dc in next sc. Ch1. Sk next 2 ch1 spaces.) *Sc in next ch1 sp. Rep bet () once. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to first sc.

RND 10-23: Repeat RNDs 8&9 consecutively.

RND 24: Ch2. Hdc in next ch1 sp. (Ch1. Sc in next ch1 sp, ch1, 3 times. Hdc in next ch1 sp.) *Hdc in each of the next 2 sc. Rep bet () once. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to top of ch2.

RND 25: Ch1, sc in same st as slst. Sc in next hdc. (Sc in next ch 1 sp, sc in next sc, 3 times. Sc in next ch1 sp. Sc in next hdc.) *Sc in each of the next 2 hdc. Rep bet () once. Rep from * around. Join w/slst to first sc. Turn work and start working the other way.

RND 26: Ch3. Work 1dc in each st around, around the post on the back side. Join w/slst to top of ch3.

RND 27: Ch1. Sc in same st as slst. (Sk 2dc. Dc, ch1, dc, ch1, dc, ch2, dc, ch1, dc, ch1, dc in next dc. 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 back of work.

Assembly:

STEP 1: Cut a piece of sewing thread about 36" long. Put thread on sewing needle and knot the 2 ends together.

STEP 2: Insert needle & thread through back side of rim of crochet work just above, lined up with, a sc, between the shells, of the very last round. Pull the thread through at this spot. String on 1 lavender and 5 white pearls, then one more lavender bead. (Insert needle in next spot, just above, the next sc, between the shells, of the very last round from the front to the back. Pull thread to tighten the beads against the crochet work to form a gentle swoop. Insert needle back in same spot, just a tiny bit away from the same exact spot to lock in the stitch. Bring needle back through lavender bead from back to front.)

STEP 3: String on 5 white pearls, then 1 more lavender pearl. Repeat between () of STEP 2 with each shell around. When you get back to the beginning, do not put the last lavender bead but insert your needle through the first lavender bead from front to back. Secure thread on back side of your work.

STEP 4: Sew the split 8mm rings to opposite sides of the top of the rim just above a lavender bead. Use several overhand stitches to secure it in place. These rings are what you will attach the bracelet to.

STEP 5: Glue the top round of crochet work to the rim of the clear container with the hot glue. I would start with tacking the section where the rings are on opposite sides of the basket first then easing the rest

of the work onto the container rim. Put a bead of glue just under the rim of the container as you glue the crochet work to the container. Set basket aside for now and work on the bracelet next.

Bracelet Assembly

String on one crimp bead and the clasp onto the 12" wire. Bring short end through the crimp bead and crimp the bead into place close to the clasp. Follow instructions for crimping beads. Cover the crimp bead with the crimp bead cover.

Then string on the rest of the beads in the following order.

1 purple 4mm pearl, 1 white 6mm pearl, 1 purple 4mm pearl,
1 paper or accent bead,
1 purple 4mm pearl, 1 white 6mm pearl, 1 purple 4mm pearl,
1 paper or accent bead,
1 purple 4mm pearl, 1 white 6mm pearl, 1 purple 4mm pearl,
1 8mm, 1lg oval, 1 8mm,
1 purple 4mm pearl, 1 white 6mm pearl, 1 purple 4mm pearl,
1 paper or accent bead,
1 purple 4mm pearl, 1 white 6mm pearl, 1 purple 4mm pearl.
Put the 2nd crimp and other clasp on and finish as you did for the other end.
Clip the lobster clasps on each split ring on basket for handle.

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