



Checker Stitch Pencil Cup

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This pencil cup works up fast and uses the Checker Stitch and other basic stitches. It is just the right size to fit onto a 14.75oz vegetable can! You can use whatever scraps of yarn you have. I happened to have the labels of the yarns I actually used for the model.

Materials Needed

- Red Heart Sport, ART. E289 Color: 0912 Cherry Red
- Red Heart Sport: Art. E289 Color:0230 Yellow
- Red Heart Super Saver: ART. E300 Color: 0798 Sunshine Print
- 1 Empty clean vegetable can. 14.75oz
- Size US G6/4.00mm Aluminum crochet hook
- Yarn Needle for weaving in ends

Yarn Thickness: 3-4mm

Gauge: 4dc = 1"

Finished Size: 5" x 3¼"

Skill Level: Intermediate

Special Stitch Used: Checker Stitch, **ckr** Sc in stitch indicated, while keeping loop on hook, insert hook in same st, yo, and ch3. Yo, pull through both lps on hook, then while keeping the first lp on hook. Pull up a lp in each of the 3 chs, then yo and pull yarn through all 4 lps on hook. Ch1.

Instructions

RND 1: With Red, Ch5. Join w/slsl to first ch to form ring. Ch2, 14dc in ring. Join w/slsl to first dc. (14dc)

RND 2: Ch3, dc in same st as slst. 2dc in each dc around. Join w/slsl to top of ch3. (28dc)

RND 3: In back loop only for this round only, Ch2, dc in same st as slst. Dc in each back loop around. Join w/slsl to first dc.

RND 4: Ckr in same st as slst. Sk 1 st. *Ckr in next st. Sk 1 st. Rep from * around. Join w/slsl to first sc of first ckr st. Fasten off red.

RND 5: Join Sunshine Print to top of first ckr. Sc in same st. Sc in next ch1 sp. *Sc in top of next ckr. Sc in next ch1 sp. Rep from * around. Join w/slsl to first sc.

RND 6: Repeat RND 4. Fasten off Sunshine Print.

RND 7 & 8: Join yellow and repeat RND 5, then 4. Fasten off yellow.

RND 9 & 10: Join Sunshine Print and repeat RND 5, then 4. Fasten off Sunshine Print.

RND 11 & 12: Join Red and repeat RND 5, then 4. Do not fasten off.



RND 13: Repeat RND 5.

RND 14: Ch2, dc in same st as slst. Dc in each st around. Join w/slsl to first dc. At this point, weave all ends into work so far and slip it onto the can. It may be tight. You want to stitch the next round while on the can so this next round can cover the lip of the can.

RND 15: Ch1. Slst in each st around while the cover is on the can. Weave the final end into the inside of your work. Do not glue it in place so you can take it off and wash it or get a new can if needed.