

Simple Shell and Posy Tea Cozy



Abbreviations:

- ch = chain
- st = stitch
- sl st = slip stitch
- sc = single crochet
- hdc = half double crochet
- dc = double crochet
- rnd(s) = round(s)
- dec = decrease

Things You Will Need:

- Worsted weight yarn, 3 ozs. pink and 2 ozs. white
- G crochet hook
- Measuring tape
- Yarn needle
- 1/2-inch white button (closure)
- 5 white buttons, assorted sizes (flowers)
- Sewing needle and thread
- Scissors

Special Notes:

- Measure around your teapot, not including the spout and the handle. Divide this measurement in half. This is the measurement for the beginning chain of your body pieces.
- The cluster stitch creates the shell pattern in the body. It is made using 3 dc in one stitch.

Body (Make 2)

Ch the measurement of the pot width ending with an even number of chs.

Row 1: Sc in second ch from hook and in each ch across.

Row 2: Ch 1, turn. Sc in base of ch, sk first st, 3 dc (cluster) in next. Repeat from * to * across.

Note: Now and through out, if ending with a cluster, omit one dc.

Row 3: Beginning ch: Ch 1 if previous row ended with a dc. Ch 3 if previous row ended with a sc.

- For beginning ch 1: Sc in in the base of the ch. *Dc cluster in next sc of previous row, sc in the middle dc of next cluster.* Repeat from * to * across.

- For beginning ch 3: Ch 3 counts as one dc. Dc in the base of ch. *Sc in the middle dc of next cluster of the previous row, dc in the next sc.* Repeat from * to * across.

- End of rows: If previous row end has a 2 dc cluster, sc in the last dc.

- Repeat Row 3 until body is as tall at the side of your pot. Fasten off and weave in the ends.



Attach Body Sides:

Step 1: Thread a yarn needle with matching yarn. Position one body on the front of your pot and one on the back. Mark where the sides come together below the spout. Whip stitch the sides of the body together from the base to the mark.

Step 2: Mark the sides above the spout. Whip stitch from the mark to the top.

Step 3: Bring the sides together above the handle. Mark above the handle. Whip stitch from the mark to the top. Do not stitch the sides together below the handle. Weave in the ends.

Step 4: Turn the cozy right side out. The whip stitched seams will now be inside.

Top (Worked with turning rounds.)

Rnd 1: Join the yarn to the top of one side seam. Ch 1, *sc in next st, sc dec in the next two.* Repeat from * to * around. Sl st to the top of beginning ch.

Rnd 2: Ch 3, turn. *Dc in next st, dc dec in the next two.* Repeat from * to * around. Sl st to the top of beginning ch.

Rnd 3: Repeat Rnd 2.

Rnd 4: Ch 1, turn. Sc dec around. Sl st to top of beginning ch 1. If needed, repeat Rnd 4 until there are less than 10 sts remaining in the round. Fasten off with a tail for sewing. Sew a running stitch

through the remaining stitches. Pull to gather the opening closed. Knot and weave in the end.



Edging:

• **Spout opening:** With the right side facing you, join the yarn to the seam below the spout. Working evenly through the ends of the rows, ch 1, *sc in one sp, 2 dc in next*. Repeat from * to * around the opening. Sl st to beginning ch. Fasten off and weave in the ends.

• **Base and handle opening:** With the right side facing you, join the yarn to the bottom-back corner below the handle. Repeat the edging of the spout opening through the body's base stitches and the row ends around the handle. Sl st to the beginning ch. To form the button loop, ch 6, sl st into the same beginning ch. Fasten off and weave in the ends. Sew a 1/2-inch button to the bottom-front corner below the handle.

Posies:



Make five, large, white posies and five, small, pink posies.
Form a magic ring.

Rnd 1: Ch 1, work 9 sc in the ring, join with sl st to the beginning ch 1.

Rnd 2: Ch 3 (counts as first dc), work 2 dc in the base of ch, sl st in next st, *3 dc in next st, sl st in next*. Repeat from * to * around. (5 petals) This is the end of a small posy. Continue to next rnd for a large posy.

Rnd 3: Do not ch. *Sc in next st, hdc in same sp, 3 dc in next st, hdc and sc in next st, sl st in next.* Repeat from * to * around. Sl st in sl st from previous row. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Finishing:

- Layer one large white with a small pink posy on top. Place a white button in the center of the small posy. Sew through the button and the posies to attach the layers.
- Arrange and sew the flowers to the top of the tea cozy.