Triple Hanging Crochet Basket



Sage & ivory shell-stitch toilet paper organizer
Three oval baskets, sturdy connecting straps and a warm wooden hanging ring.

Finished size & skill level

Intermediate. Target basket size: about **20 cm wide × 14 cm deep × 13 cm high**. Clear gap between baskets: 9 cm. Upper straps: 18 cm visible length. Ring: 10 cm outer diameter. Overall hanging length: approximately 80–85 cm.

Read before you begin

This is an original, photo-inspired adaptation, not a recovered or test-crocheted pattern. Measurements depend on yarn and tension. Make and fit one basket before repeating it. The supplied diagram on the final page is a visual reference; use the written counts in this guide for this adaptation.

New 3D illustrations explain the construction sequence. They show overall placement; the written instructions control stitch counts and attachment details.

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Materials, gauge & stitch key

Gather your supplies

Firm cotton or cotton-blend yarn, approximately 3 mm thick: start with **350–450 g sage** and **150–200 g ivory** (estimated; yardage varies). Use a **4.5 mm hook**, adjusting to achieve firm fabric. Also: smooth wooden ring, 10 cm outer diameter; suitable wall hook and fixings; tapestry needle; scissors; measuring tape; 8 stitch markers.

Gauge and fit check

Target gauge: **18 dc and 9 dc rows = 10 × 10 cm**, measured in a relaxed swatch. Make at least a 12 cm square. A separate sc swatch for straps should be approximately 18 sc and 20 rows = 10 cm. Record your own gauge. Measure the actual roll: this version aims to fit rolls up to about 12 cm in diameter and 11 cm high.

US stitch abbreviations

ch = chain; **sl st** = slip stitch; **sc** = single crochet; **dc** = double crochet; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **inc** = 2 dc in the same stitch; **BLO** = back loop only; **RS** = right side. A shell is **5 dc in one stitch**.

How to make the stitches

sc: insert hook, yarn over and draw up a loop; yarn over and pull through both loops. **dc:** yarn over, insert hook and draw up a loop; yarn over, pull through 2 loops twice. **sl st:** insert hook, yarn over, pull through the stitch and loop on hook. **BLO:** work under the loop farther from you.

Round rules

Work the basket in joined rounds without turning. A starting ch 1 or ch 2 is a lifting chain and **never counts as a stitch**. Work the first stitch into the same stitch as the join unless stated otherwise. Join to the first actual stitch. Mark that stitch every round and count before continuing.

Color changes

On the final pull-through of the last stitch before a new color, draw through with the new yarn. Join with the new color, then make the lifting chain. Cut and weave in old tails for a clean interior; do not leave long floats across the basket.

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Step 1 · Crochet the oval base



Make 3 matching bases in sage. Chain 12 loosely. You will work along both sides of the chain. Keep the unused loops on the underside accessible.

Round 1 — 30 dc

Ch 2 more for height. Dc in the 3rd ch from hook and in the next 10 ch; 5 dc in the last ch. Rotate the chain and work along its underside: dc in the next 10 ch, then 4 dc in the same foundation ch as the very first dc. Join. Each rounded end has 5 dc, with 10 dc along each straight side.

Round 2 — 40 dc

Ch 2. Inc in first st, dc in next 10 sts, inc in each of next 5 sts, dc in next 10 sts, inc in each of final 4 sts. Join.

Round 3 — 50 dc

Ch 2. (Dc in next st, inc in next st) once; dc in next 10 sts; (dc in next st, inc in next st) 5 times; dc in next 10 sts; (dc in next st, inc in next st) 4 times. Join.

Round 4 — 60 dc

Ch 2. (Dc in next 2 sts, inc in next st) once; dc in next 10 sts; (dc in next 2 sts, inc in next st) 5 times; dc in next 10 sts; (dc in next 2 sts, inc in next st) 4 times. Join. Do not fasten off.

Checkpoint: lay flat and measure. Aim for approximately 20 × 14 cm. Slight shaping is normal, but strong waves or cupping call for a tension check. Fit the roll on the base before building the wall.

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Step 2 · Build the solid walls



Wall round 1 — create the turning edge

Ch 1. Work 1 sc in BLO of each of the 60 base stitches. Join to the first sc. The unworked front loops create a neat ridge around the outside of the base.

Wall rounds 2 and 3 — strengthen the basket

For each round: ch 2, dc in every st around, join. Keep **60 dc** per round, with no increases. Return to working under both loops. The fabric should rise around the oval rather than spread out flat.

Test the size before adding shells

Set a roll upright inside the basket. The base must support it without squeezing it. The wall should remain firm when empty. If too loose, remake with a smaller hook; if too tight, use a larger hook and recheck the base. Do not change stitch counts halfway through the basket.

Prepare the first ivory round

Change to ivory at the end of wall round 3. Keep the round marker in place. There will be **10 shells around the basket**, each using a repeat of 6 stitches from the solid wall.

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Step 3 · Work the shell pattern



Shell round A — ivory

Ch 1. Repeat 10 times: **sc in next st, skip 2 sts, 5 dc in next st, skip 2 sts**. Join to first sc. You have 10 sc anchors plus 10 five-dc shells: 60 stitches in all. Skipped stitches do not receive another stitch.

Shell round B — sage

Change to sage. Ch 2, work 5 dc in the same sc as the join. Skip the first 2 dc of the next shell, sc in its middle (3rd) dc, skip the last 2 dc. Repeat around: **5 dc in next sc, sc in middle dc of next shell**, skipping the other shell stitches. Join to the first dc: 10 shells and 10 sc.

Shell round C — ivory

Change to ivory. Sl st across to the middle (3rd) dc of the first sage shell. Ch 1 and sc in that middle dc. Repeat around: **5 dc in next sc, sc in middle dc of next shell**. After the final shell, join to the first sc instead of adding another sc there. Again: 10 shells and 10 sc.

Count before continuing

Shell centers alternate with sc anchors. Never work a shell into a slip-stitch join or a lifting chain. If the last repeat does not meet the first neatly, recount the previous round before adding more yarn.

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Step 4 · Finish each basket



Shell round D — sage

Repeat shell round B exactly, working 5 dc into each ivory sc and 1 sc into the middle dc of each ivory shell. Join to the first dc. This creates the second sage layer.

Shell round E — ivory scalloped rim

Repeat shell round C. This final ivory round forms the scalloped top; do not add a tight straight edging across the shells. Fasten off and weave each tail through several stitches on the inside, changing direction at least once.

Measure and make the remaining two

Aim for about 13 cm in height from the base to the highest scallop. Allow for your own row gauge. Make the other baskets with the same hook, stitch counts and number of rounds. Lay all three together to check matching size before making straps.

Blocking without stretching

Dampen the baskets lightly, shape them around a clean waterproof form of the intended size and let dry fully. Keep the bases flat and do not pull the rim outward. Remove the form before assembly. Cotton straps will relax under load; final strap measurements are taken after settling.

Adjustment: if you need more wall height, add the same number of plain 60-dc rounds to every basket before the shells. For a different overall size, change yarn/hook and make a complete sample basket first.

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Step 5 · Make strong straps



Make 4 connecting straps

In sage, ch 5. Sc in 2nd ch from hook and each remaining ch: **4 sc**. Every following row: ch 1, turn, sc in each of 4 sts. Work to **19 cm total length**, about 38 rows at the target strap gauge. Leave 40 cm tails for sewing. Make all four equal.

Make 2 upper straps

Use the same 4-sc pattern. Work each strap to **27 cm total length**, about 54 rows. This allows about 18 cm visible length, a 5 cm basket attachment and about 4 cm to fold around the wooden ring. Adjust the fold allowance to your actual ring thickness.

Strengthen and check

For a firmer strap, surface sl st down each long edge without pulling tight. Finish all six straps the same way. Lay each matching pair together and gently tension them. Match lengths after they settle; equal row counts alone do not guarantee equal lengths.

Mark attachment points

On every basket, mark the two opposite narrow ends of the oval. Align these marks vertically across all three baskets. Attach to the solid dc wall, never only to the open shells. Straps may run behind the shell area to reach the solid wall securely.

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Step 6 · Assemble & finish



Join the baskets from bottom to top

Lay the baskets in order on a flat surface. On each side, position one 19 cm strap with a **5 cm overlap** on the upper basket and a **5 cm overlap** on the lower basket, leaving a **9 cm clear gap**. Sew along both edges of each overlap and across its ends, catching several solid wall stitches. Repeat between the middle and top baskets.

Add the wooden ring

Sew 5 cm of each upper strap to a marked side of the top basket. Bring the free ends up to opposite lower sides of the ring. Fold each end around the ring, leaving about 18 cm of visible strap, and sew the folded section firmly to itself with several passes. Keep both sides equal.

Test with the intended contents

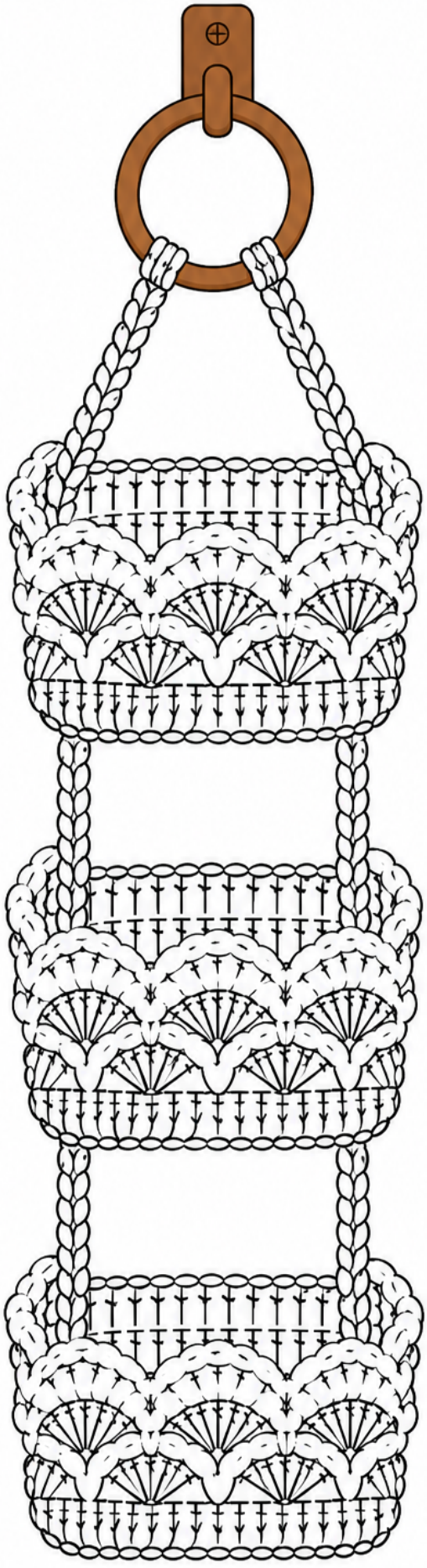
Support the assembly with your hand, add one roll to each basket, then gradually allow it to hang from a suitable securely installed hook. Check seams, balance and stretch. Re-sew any shifting attachment. This is a lightweight paper-roll organizer; avoid heavy bathroom containers.

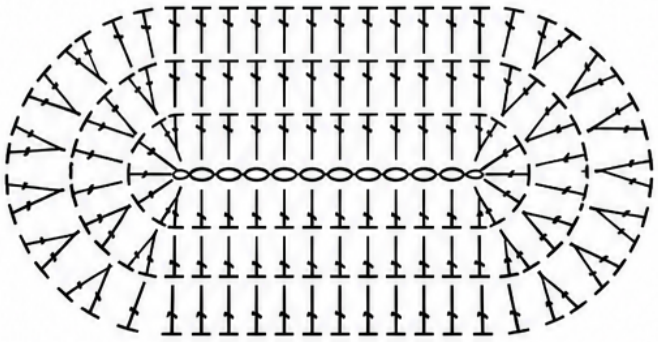
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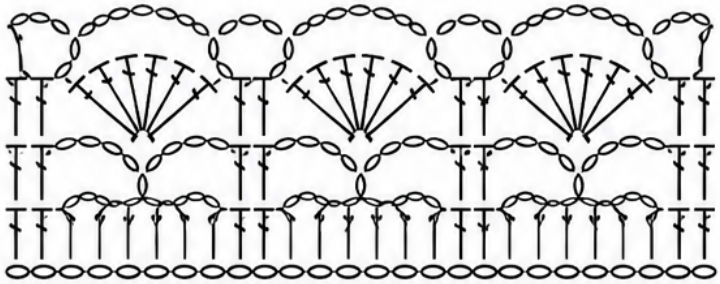
Remove the paper rolls before cleaning. Spot-clean the yarn and keep wood dry; reshape and dry fully before use. The last page reproduces the supplied diagram alone above the requested footer. Its unnumbered symbols are illustrative and do not encode the exact counts of this written adaptation.

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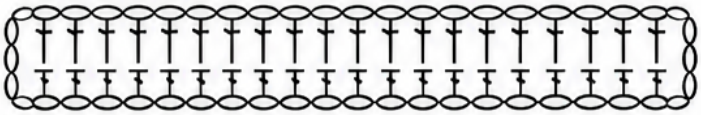
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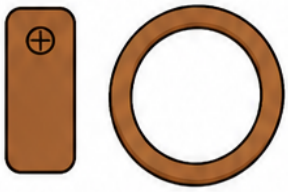


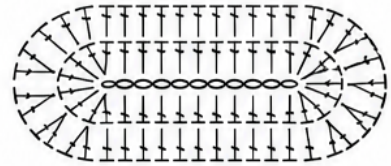


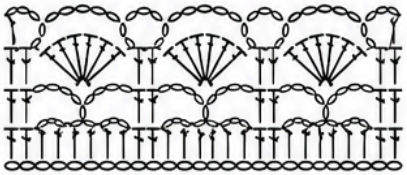


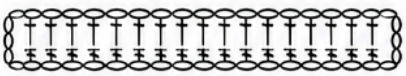


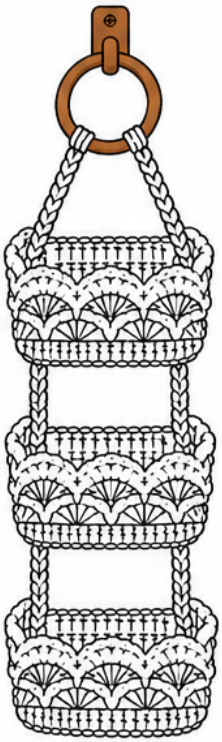












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