## **Poinsettia Casserole Cover and Potholder**

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### SKILL LEVEL

#### **FINISHED SIZE**

Fits 2½-quart glass casserole dish with lid

#### MATERIALS

 Peaches and Crème medium (worsted) weight yarn (2½ oz/ 122 yds/71g per ball):



- 122 yds/71g per ball): 6½ oz #63 hunter 5½ oz #97 burgundy 1 oz #12 gold
- Sizes G/6/4mm and J/10/6mm crochet hooks or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle

#### GAUGE

**Size J hook:** 3 sc = 1 inch; 3 sc rows = 1 inch

#### **PATTERN NOTES**

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join rounds with a slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

Crochet with 2 strands held together throughout unless otherwise stated.

#### **CASSEROLE COVER**

#### BASE

**Rnd 1:** With size J hook and 2 strands of hunter, ch 2, 8 sc in 2nd ch from hook, **join** (*see Pattern Notes*) in beg sc. (8 sc)

**Rnd 2:** Ch 1, 2 sc in each sc around, join in beg sc. (*16 sc*)

**Rnd 3:** Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in next sc, [2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc] around, join in beg sc. (24 sc) **Rnd 4:** Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in each of next 2 sc, [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 2 sc] around, join in beg sc. (32 sc)

**Rnd 5:** Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in each of next 3 sc, [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 3 sc] around, join in beg sc. (40 sc)

**Rnd 6:** Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in each of next 4 sc, [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 4 sc] around, join in beg sc. (48 sc)

**Rnd 7:** Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in each of next 5 sc, [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 5 sc] around, join in beg sc. (56 sc)

**Rnd 8:** Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in each of next 6 sc, [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 6 sc] around, join in beg sc. (64 sc)

**Rnd 9:** Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in each of next 7 sc, [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 7 sc] around, join in beg sc. (72 sc)

**Rnd 10:** Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in each of next 8 sc, [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 8 sc] around, join in beg sc. (80 sc)

**Rnd 11:** Working in **back lps** (*see Stitch Guide*), ch 1, (sc, ch 1, sc) in same st as beg ch-1, sc in each of next 7 sts, [(sc, ch 1, sc) in next sc, sc in each of next 7 sc] around, join in beg sc, fasten off. (10 ch-1 sps)

**Rnd 12:** Attach 2 strands hunter to 5th sc from last join on rnd 11, ch 1, sc in each of next 3 sc, [sk next sc, dc in ch-1 sp, sk next sc, sc in each of next 7 sc] around, ending with sc in each rem sc, join in beg ch-1. (70 sc, 10 dc)

Rnd 13: Ch 1, sc in each of next 3 sc, [fpdc (see Stitch Guide)

around dc directly below, sc in each of next 7 sc] around, sc in each rem sc, join.

**Rnds 14–18:** Ch 1, sc in each of next 3 sc, [fpdc around fpdc, sc in each of next 7 sc] around, sc in each rem sc. At the end of rnd 18, fasten off.

#### **PETAL TOPPER HALF**

#### Make 2.

**Row 1 (RS):** With size G hook and 2 strands of gold, ch 20, join in first ch to form a ring, change to size J hook, ch 1, sc in each of first 10 chs, turn. (*10 sc*)

**Row 2:** With size G hook, working in back lps, ch 3, sc in first st, [ch 3, sc in next st] across, fasten off.

**Row 3:** With RS facing, with size J hook, attach 2 strands burgundy to rem st of row 1, ch 1, 2 sc in same sc, sc in next st, turn. (*3 sc*)

**Row 4:** Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.

**Row 5:** Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in next sc, 2 sc in last sc, turn. (5 sc)

Row 6: Rep row 4.

**Row 7:** Ch 1, 2 sc in first sc, sc in each of next 3 sc, 2 sc in last sc, turn. (7 sc)

Rows 8-12: Rep row 4.

**Row 13:** Continue to join Petal to Base as follows, align Petal row 12 with 7 sc between set of fpdc sts on last rnd of Base and working through both thicknesses, ch 1, sc dec in next 2 sc, sc in next 3 sc, sc dec in next 2 sc, turn. (5 sc)

**Row 14:** Working in Petal sts only, ch 1, sc dec in next 2 sc, sc

in next sc, sc dec in next 2 sc, turn. (3 sc)

**Row 15:** Ch 1, [yo, draw up lp in next sc] 3 times, yo, draw through 4 lps on hook, fasten off.

#### **REM 4 PETALS OF FIRST PETAL TOPPER HALF**

Row 3: Attach 2 strands of burgundy to rem lp of next sc beside finished Petal just made on row 1, ch 1, 2 sc in same st, sc in next st, turn. (3 sc)

**Rows 4–12:** Rep rows 4–12 of previous Petal.

Row 13: Rep row 13 of previous Petal, joining to next set of 7 sc sts, skipping fpdc sts.

Rows 14 & 15: Rep rows 14 and 15 of previous Petal.

#### **PETAL EDGING**

Row 1: With size J hook, attach 1 strand burgundy to side of beg sc of row 2 of first Petal on Petal Topper, \*ch 1, sc approximately

12 or 13 sc evenly along side of Petal to tip, (2 sc, ch 1, 2 sc) in Petal tip, sc evenly along opposite side of petal to base, sl st in side of row 2, sl st in side of row 2 of next petal, rep from \* on rem Petals, fasten off.

#### HANDLE

#### Make 2.

Row 1: With size J hook and 2 strands hunter, ch 35, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across to last ch, (sc, ch 1, 2 sc,

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ch 1, sc) in last ch, working on opposite side of foundation ch, sc in each ch across, ending with (sc, ch 1, 2 sc, ch 1) in same ch as first sc, join in first sc of rnd, fasten off.

Using tapestry needle and 1 strand hunter, whipstitch end of Handle RS up to top row at base between Petals 1 and 2 of First Petal Topper Half.

Whipstitch opposite end of same Handle to top row of base between Petals 4 and 5 of same Petal Topper Half.

Attach ends of 2nd Handle to Base.

Insert casserole dish into carrier and secure the ch lp of row 1 of each Petal Topper over knob on glass lid.

#### POTHOLDER

#### BASE

**Rnd 1:** With 2 strands of gold, ch 2, 10 sc in 2nd ch from hook, join in first sc, fasten off. (*10 sc*)

**Rnd 2:** Working in back lps, attach 2 strands hunter, ch 1, 2 sc in each sc around, join in first sc. (20 sc) **Rnd 3:** Ch 1, 2 sc in same sc as beg ch-1, sc in next sc, [2 sc in next sc, sc in next sc] around, join in beg sc. (*30 sc*)

**Rnd 4:** Ch 1, 2 sc in same sc as beg ch-1, sc in each of next 2 sc, [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 2 sc] around, join in beg sc. (40 sc)

**Rnd 5:** Ch 1, sc in each sc around, join in beg sc.

**Rnd 6:** Ch 1, 2 sc in same sc as beg ch-1, sc in each of next 3 sc, [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 3 sc] around, join in beg sc. (50 sc)

**Rnd 7:** Ch 1, 2 sc in same sc as beg ch-1, sc in each of next 4 sc, [2 sc in next sc, sc in each of next 4 sc] around, join in beg sc. (60 sc)

**Rnd 8:** Rep rnd 5, draw up lp, remove hook, do not fasten off. Petals will be attached to last rnd with hunter.

#### PETAL

#### Make 10.

**Row 1:** Working in rem **front lp** (*see Stitch Guide*) of rnd 1 of Base, ch 1, 2 sc in same st, turn. (2 sc) Rows 2–7: Ch 1, sc in each of next 2 sc, turn.

**Row 8:** Ch 1, sc dec in next 2 sc, fasten off. (1 sc)

Rep rows 1–7 until 9 more Petals are completed.

#### **PETAL EDGING**

**Rnd 1:** With RS facing, with size G hook, attach 1 strand of burgundy with sl st in any front lp of rnd 1, [sc evenly sp up right side of Petal, 3 sc in tip, sc evenly sp down opposite side of Petal, sl st in same front lp, sl st in next front lp of rnd 1] rep until all 10 Petals are edged, fasten off.

#### **JOINING PETALS TO BASE**

**Rnd 2:** Pick up dropped lp of rnd 8, ch 1, [sc in center sc of tip of Petal Edging, sk sc on Base directly behind sc in tip, working in back lps only, sc in each of next 5 sts of rnd 8] rep around, join in beg sc, ch 10 sl st in same sc as joining (hanging lp), fasten off.

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