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HOW TO CAST ON TO WOODEN BASKET BOTTOM



Materials needed:

- Aster & Vine wooden basket bottom (any size)
- 5mm – 6mm crochet hook (metal hook recommended)
- Aster & Vine t-shirt yarn or 3 strand recycled cotton rope

Stitches used: Slip knot, single crochet (SC), chain



- Make a slip stitch and place onto your crochet hook.



- Pick a starting point on your wooden basket bottom, you can start at any point, but you will likely want this to be at the back of your basket.
- Basket bottoms have two finishes – one on each side. Whichever side is facing you will be on the **outside** of your basket.
- Insert your hook through the hole, once your hook is on the other side, yarn over



- Pull your hook back through the hole. You will now have two loops on your hook.



- Yarn over again.



- Pull through both loops on your hook.
- You have now completed your first single crochet (SC)!



- Continue around your basket bottom making one single crochet in each hole.
- Do not pull your stitches too tight! If you do your next round will be quite difficult. Instead keep them loose, remember, you may be switching to a larger sized hook for your next round.



- Once you have a single crochet stitch in each hole you have completed your first round.
- You can continue crocheting around using whichever stitch you prefer. If you would like to work in a spiral just continue into your next stitch. If not, chain 1 and continue (see final step).



Optional:

- Chain 1.
- If you chain 1 at the end of each round it will create a “seam” where the rounds are joined. Each round will look even, without a chain stitch here your basket will be more of a spiral with no discernable start or end point.

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