

# Peppermint Candy Basket & Box Free Crochet Pattern



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During the holidays parties abound. There are school parties; office parties, cookie parties and family get together to name a few. If you're like me, you never want to arrive empty handed, but gifts for an entire class or office can be out of the question. This cute little treat box is fast and easy to put together. Fill it with some candy and you've got a great gift for everyone.

Materials: Small amount of Red Heart TLC Amore yarn in White and Red Velvet, H crochet hook, One 3-1/2" tall paper mache box with lid, Craft glue, 2 Silver chenille stems.

Finished Size: 3-1/2" tall and 3" across lid for box and basket

Gauge: 4 sc = 1", 4 rows sc = 1"

#### COVERED BOX LID:

With Red and H hook ch-3, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 8 sc in ring, sl st top beg sc, ch-1, turn. (8 sts)

RND 2-4: (2 sc next st, sc next st) around, sl st top beg sc, ch-1, turn. (12 sts)(18 sts)(27 sts)

RND 5-7: Sc ea st around, sl st top beg sc, ch-1, turn. End rnd 7 fasten off.

Rep rnd 1 of base and fasten off. Make one "peppermint". Sew to center of top of lid. Glue cover to lid of box.

#### SIDE:

ROW 1: With Bouclé and H hook ch-9, hdc 3<sup>rd</sup> ch from hook, hdc ea ch across, ch-1, turn. (7 sts)

ROW 2: Hdc ea st across, ch-1, turn.

Rep row 2 until piece fits around bottom of the box. Sew short ends tog, slide over bottom of box gluing to hold.

#### PEPPERMINT :

Carry unused yarns behind sts as you work.

With white yarn and H hook ch-4, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, sc in ring, join red, drop white, sc in ring, (drop red, pick up white, sc in ring, drop white, pick up red, sc in ring) 3 times, sl st top beg sc, fasten off. (8 sts)

Make 6 "peppermints". Twist ends of 2 silver chenille stems tog to make one long one. Begin by fan folding the stem in 1-1/2" intervals. Stretch this out so that it will fit around the bottom of the box. Sew or glue in place. Sew or glue peppermints to box.

#### CANDY BASKET:

With White Boucle and H hook ch-4, sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch-1, work 8 hdc in ring, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (8 sts)

RND 2-4: (2 hdc next st, hdc next st) around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. (12 sts)(18 sts)(27 sts)

RND 5-10: Hdc ea st around, sl st top beg hdc, ch-1, turn. End rnd 10 fasten off.

Rep rnd 1 of base and fasten off. Make 11 of these "peppermints". Sew peppermints around top of basket. Take one stem and curl ends and form the basket's handle. Sew in place.

#### Abbreviations Used In This Pattern

Ch = Chain

St = Stitch

Sl St = Slip Stitch

Sc = Single Crochet

Hdc = Half Double Crochet

Dc = Double Crochet

Dec = Decrease

Rep = Repeat

Bet = Between

Beg = Beginning

Ea = Each

Tog = Together

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