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## *Blooming Tissues*

**Materials:** Size G crochet hook or size needed for gauge; 3 lb. margarine spread container; 1 roll toilet tissue; worsted weight yarn--2½ oz. clay pot color (cinnamon or terra cotta is a good choice), 1½ oz. flower color (we used baby blue), 10 yds. coordinated variegated (we used shaded blues), 17 yds. yellow for flower center, 30 yds. soil color (we used dark brown), 8 yds. green for leaves.

### **Gauge**

4 sc and 5 sc rnds = 1 inch

4 dc and 2 dc rnds = 1 inch

### *Pot*

**(Bottom) Rnd 1:** With clay pot color ch 4, join with sl st to form ring, ch 3, 11 dc in ring, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. (12)

**Rnd 2:** Ch 3, dc in same st, dc in next st, (2 dc in next st, dc in next st) around, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. (18)

**Rnd 3:** Ch 3, dc in same st, (2 dc in each st) around, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. (36)

**Rnd 4:** Ch 3, dc in same st, dc in next st, (2 dc in next st, dc in next st) around, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. (54)

**Rnd 5:** Ch 1, sc in same st as joining, sc in each st around, join with sl st in beg sc. (54)

**Rnd 6:** Working in **back lps** for this rnd only, ch 1, sc in same st as joining, sc in each of next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st,

(sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st) around, join with sl st in beg sc. (65)

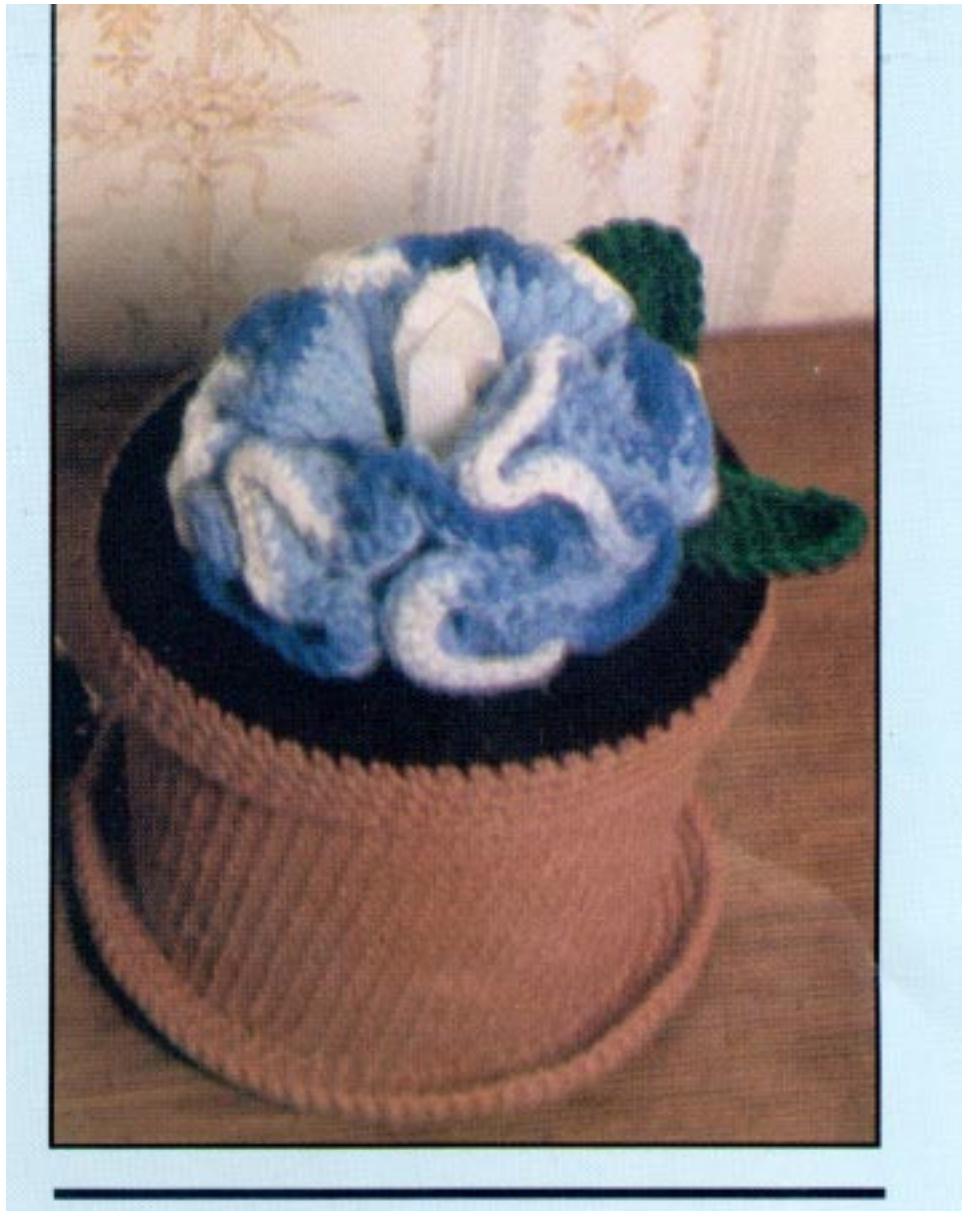
**Rnds 7-13:** Ch 1, sc in same st as joining, sc in each st around, join with sl st in beg sc. (65)

**Rnd 14:** Ch 1, sc in same st as joining, sc in each st around, 2 sc in last st, join with sl st in beg sc. (66)

**Rnds 15-29:** Ch 1, sc in same st as joining, sc in each st around, join with sl st in beg sc. (66) Fasten off at end of rnd 29.

**(Saucer) Rnd 1:** Hold pot with rnd 29 at bottom, join clay pot color with sc in first remaining lp of rnd 5, sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, (sc in each of next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st) around, join with sl st in beg sc. (72)

**Rnds 2-3:** Ch 1, sc in same st as joining, sc in each st around, join with sl st in beg sc.



**Rnd 4:** Ch 1, sc in same st as joining, sc in each of next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, (sc in each of next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st) around, join with sl st in beg sc. (90)

**Rnd 5:** Ch 1, sc in same st as joining, sc in each st around, join with sl st in beg sc. Fasten off.

## *Flower*

**Rnd 1:** With yellow ch 12, sl st in first ch to form ring, ch 1, 30 sc in ring. (30) Fasten off.

**Rnd 2:** Join flower color with sl st in front lp of first st, ch 4 (counts as tr), working in **front** lps for this rnd only, 2 tr in same st, 3 tr in each st around, join with sl st in top of ch-4. (90)

**Rnd 3:** Ch 4, 2 tr in same st, 3 tr in each st around, join with sl st in top of ch-4. (270) Fasten off.

**Rnd 4:** Join variegated with sc in first st, sc in each st around, join with sl st in beg sc. Fasten off. (270)

## *Top*

**Rnd 1:** Hold flower with wrong side facing, rnd 4 at bottom, join soil color with sc in first remaining lp of rnd 1, sc in each lp around, join with sl st in beg sc. (30)

**Rnd 2:** Ch 3, dc in each st around, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3.

**Rnd 3:** Ch 3, 2 dc in next st, (dc in next st, 2 dc in next st) around, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. (45)

**Rnd 4:** Ch 3, dc in each st around, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3.

**Rnd 5:** Ch 3, dc in same st, (2 dc in next st, dc in next st) around, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. (68)

**Rnd 6:** Ch 3, dc in each st around, join with sl st in top

of beg ch-3. Fasten off.

**Rnd 7:** Join clay pot color with sc in **back lp** of first st, working in **back lps** for this rnd only, sc in each st around, join with sl st in beg sc. (68)

**Rnds 8-10:** Ch 1, sc in same st as joining, sc in each st around, join with sl st in beg sc. Fasten off.

## *Leaf (make 2)*

**Rnd 1:** With green ch 12, sc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc in next ch, dc in next 7 chs, hdc in next ch, 2 sc in last ch, now working on opposite side of ch in remaining ch-lps, hdc in next lp, dc in next 7 lps, hdc in next lp, sc in last lp, join with sl st in beg sc. (22)

**Rnd 2:** Ch 1, sc in same st as joining, sc in next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in each remaining st around, join with sl st in beg sc. (23) Fasten off leaving length of yarn for sewing.

Sew leaves to rnd 1 of top.

## *Assembly*

Put bottom of margarine container in crocheted pot. Pull cardboard center from middle of tissue paper roll and pull tissue from middle of roll. Place roll in pot. Criss-cross two 1 inch slits in center of container lid. Cut a small square where the slits cross. Pull tissue up through the bottom of the lid through this hole. Place crocheted top on lid, pulling tissue through center of flower. Put lid on container. To tear tissue, pull up to desired length, then pull to side in a fast jerk.

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