# **Vegetable Basket**

## Materials:

Red Heart SuperSaver, 7 oz., 100% acrylic, 364 yds

size 8 dpn needles

size 8 circular needle 24"

½ vard of fabric

2 sheets of plastic canvas, 7 sq to the inch or other material to provide a firm base and sides.

.10 (25 mm) illusion cord

# Finished size:

approximately 111/2" in diameter by 41/2" high

Gauge: 16 sts = 4" in st st in the round. Check your gauge to save time.



#### **Abbreviations**

K	knit	rep	repeat
Kfb	knit in front and back of stitch	rnd(s)	round(s)
M1	make 1	st(s)	stitch(es)
P1	purl	st st	stockinette stitch

## **Directions:**

## **Bottom of Basket**

Cast on 4 sts and place on 3 needles.

Rnd 1 and all odd rnds: K.

Rnd 2: Kfb in each st. (8 sts)

Rnd 4: \*M1, k1,\* rep between \*\* around. (16 sts)

Rnd 6: \*M1, k 2,\* rep between \*\* around. (24 sts)

Repeat rnds 5 and 6, increasing 8 sts every other rnd until there are 136 sts.

Knit 1 rnd.

Purl 1 rnd (bottom edge).

# Begin side of basket

Rnds 1 - 5: \*K4, p4,\* rep between \*\* around.

Rnds 6 – 10: \*P4, k4,\* rep between \*\* around.

Repeat rnds 1 - 10 twice.

Hint: When changing from a knit to a purl stitch, wrap the yarn clockwise (instead of counterclockwise) and purl. This will result in a tighter knit stitch.

#### Bind off (applied i-cord)

With right side facing and using cable cast-on (or other knit cast-on), cast on 3 sts.

\*K 2 sts, K2 tog through back loops, slide the 3 sts from the right-hand needle to the left-hand needle. Rep from \* until 3 sts remain. Bind off.

#### **Finishing**

Sew bound off edge of i-cord to cast-on edge.

Cut the plastic canvas to shape and, using illusion cord, sew the plastic to the bottom and to the side of the basket. Line the basket with fabric.