



Treasure Tote Game Bag

Crochet Pattern

Materials Used:

Worsted weight yarn, in at least 2 colors of your choice

Size J/10 (6.00mm) crochet hook

Yarn needle

1 button

Size/Gauge:

Wide Finished bag measures approximately 11" across and 9" tall, when closed.

Skinny Finished bag measures approximately 8.5" across and 9" tall, when closed.

Gauge is not important to this project, so you may use different yarn weights and hook sizes for a wider range of finished dimensions.

Stitches Used/Abbreviations:

Ch-chain

Sc-single crochet

Hdc-half double crochet

Hdc2tog-half double crochet two stitches together

Dc-double crochet

BLO-work in back loops only of indicated stitch(es)

FLO-work in front loops only of indicated stitch(es)

CA-Color A

CB-Color B

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Pattern is written for Skinny bag, with changes for Wide bag in (parenthesis).

Instructions:

Row 1: (Bottom Flap) With CA, ch 25(37). Sc in 2nd ch from hook. Dc in next ch.

Sc in next ch. Dc in next ch. Repeat (*) across. (24,36 sts)

Rows 2-12: ch 1, TURN. *Sc in next st. Dc in next st*. Repeat (*) across. (24,36 sts)

Row 13: (Creating Bottom Fold) ch 1, TURN. Working in FLO, hdc in each st across. (24,36 sts)

Row 14: ch 1, TURN. Working in BLO, hdc in each st across. (24,36 sts)

Row 15: (Back~Creating Checkerboard) ch 1, TURN. Working in both loops again, hdc in each of the next 3(4) sts. Drop CA, DO NOT CUT. Join CB. Hdc in each of the next 3(4) sts. Drop CB, DO NOT CUT. Pick up CA, hdc in each of the next 3(4) sts. Continue alternating CA and CB every 3(4) sts across, ending the row with CB.

Row 16: Continuing with CB, ch 1, TURN, hdc in each of the next 3(4) sts. Drop CB, pick up Color A. Hdc in each of the next 3(4) sts. Drop CA, pick up CB. Continue alternating CA and CB every 3(4) sts across, ending the row with CA.

Row 17: Drop CA, pick up CB. Ch 1, TURN. Hdc in each of the next 3(4) sts. Drop CB, pick up CA. Hdc in each of the next 3(4) sts. Drop CA, pick up CB. Continue alternating CA and CB every 3(4) sts across, ending the row with CA.

Row 18: Continuing with CA, ch 1, TURN. Hdc in each of the next 3(4) sts. Drop CA, pick up CB. Hdc in each of the next 3(4) sts. Drop CB, pick up CA. Continue alternating CA and CB every 3(4) sts across, ending the row with CB.

Rows 19-30: Continue repeating rows 15-18, in order, until you have 8 squares high. Fasten off CA at end of row 30, continue on with CB.

Row 31: (Creating Top Fold) ch 1, TURN. Working in FLO, hdc in each st across. (24,36 sts)

Row 32: ch 1, TURN. Working on BLO, hdc in each st across. (24,36 sts)

Rows 33-39: (Front~Top Flap) ch 1, TURN. Hdc in each st across. (24,36 sts)

Row 40: ch 1, TURN. Hdc2tog. Hdc in each of the next 20(32) sts. Hdc2tog. (22,34 sts)

Row 41: ch 1, TURN. Hdc2tog. Hdc in each of the next 18(30) sts. Hdc2tog. (20,32 sts)

Row 42: ch 1, TURN. Hdc2tog. Hdc in each of the next 16(28) sts. Hdc2tog. (18,30 sts)

Row 43: ch 1, TURN. Hdc2tog. Hdc in each of the next 14(26) sts. Hdc2tog. (16,28 sts) Fasten off.

Edging/Assembly:

Fold bottom section of back up. Join yarn in bottom corner, and working through both layers, sc in each st up side (creating a pocket). Continue to sc in each st, once you have passed the edge of bottom flap. At about the center point of top flap, ch 5, to create a buttonhole. Continue sc in each st around, to opposite bottom edge, once again working through both layers, when you reach the bottom flap again.

Using a yarn needle, and contrasting color yarn, stitch lines on front bottom flap to create tic-tac-toe boards.

Sew a button to center front of bottom flap, for button closure.

Playing Pieces: (Make 12 of each color)

Rnd 1: Ch 2, work 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook. Join.

Rnd 2: ch 1. Work 2 sc in each st around. Join. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Toss pieces in bag, and you are ready to go!

For Minion Style Bag:

I started with Royal Blue as CA. Adding Bright Yellow as CB, when I reached checkerboard section, I continued the top flap in CB, to row 36. I dropped the Yellow, and joined Black. Work 2 rows of hdc in Black, then fasten off, and pick up Yellow. Finish bag in Yellow, including edging.

For the eye, I used White.

Rnd 1: Ch 2, work 8 sc in 2nd ch from hook. Join.

Rnd 2: ch 1. Work 2 hdc in each st around. Join. Fasten off White, join Gray.

Rnd 3: ch 1. Work 2 hdc in each st around. Join Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Using a yarn needle, sew eye to front flap, centering on black band. Use black to stitch on a mouth. Sew a button to the center of the eye.

This bag lends itself to many color combinations, as well as characters. The top flap is the perfect backdrop for a character face, or embroider a name across it! Use your imagination, and have fun!