

Drawstring Bag to Crochet



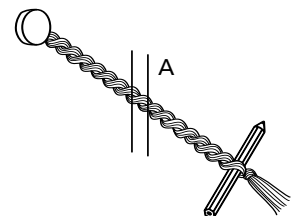
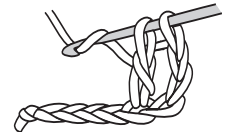
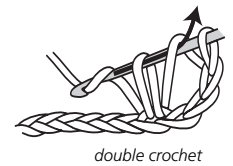
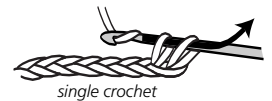
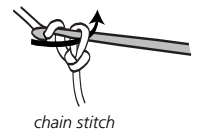
Crochet this attractive bag in any size, from scraps of sport weight yarn.

Make it small for a change purse, slightly larger as a cosmetics pouch, even bigger for an evening bag or large as an everyday shoulder bag.

It's very easy to make - single and double crochet used throughout.

This is a great project for beginners!

STITCH GUIDE



MATERIALS

- Sport weight cotton.
- Crochet hook size F/5 (3.75mm)
- Tapestry needle (blunt point) for finishing
- Stitch markers
- Safety pin

CHANGING YARN COLOR

When changing yarn color, pull up loop with current color, with next color, draw through two loops on hook to complete sc (see **STITCH GUIDE**). Keep yarn ends on WS and work into sc for 5 sts.

CROCHET INSTRUCTIONS

Work in continuous rnds. Place marker at start of rnd to indicate center back, move marker up as you work. Change yarn colors to suit your preference.

Beg at base of bag, leave a 4" (10cm) tail of yarn, ch 2.

Rnd 1: Work 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook.

Rnd 2: (Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc) around (12 sts).

Rnd 3: (Sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc) around (18 sts).

Cont as est, evenly inc 6 sts each

rnd until base, measured across diameter of bag, is 1" (2.5cm) less than desired width of final bag.

Cont as set until bag measures desired depth from base to eyelets for drawstrings.

Check to make sure you have an even number of sts and adjust if necessary.

Next Rnd: (Ch 1, skip next sc, dc in next sc) around.

Next Rnd: Sc in each sc and ch-1 sp around.

Work 6 rnds in sc. Fasten off and weave ends into WS of work.

On inside of bag, secure beg of work with tail of yarn and weave end into WS of work.

DRAWSTRINGS (make 2)

Cut 4 lengths of yarn, measuring the bag width x 8. Knot 4 cut ends together 1/2" (1cm) from each end. Loop one knot over small door knob. Insert pencil through knot at other knot, pull tight and twist yarn as much as possible. Remove pencil. Fold twisted yarn in half. Remove

from door knob. Knot 2 knotted ends together loosely. With safety pin, weave through eyelets. Knot all ends together in one knot 1.5" (5cm) from end and trim (see **A** below). Repeat for other drawstring. Thread through same eyelets beg at opposite side.

TERMS & ABBREVIATIONS

- beg** begin(ning)
- ch** chain(s)
- cm** centimeters
- cont** continued
- dc** double crochet (UK: tc – treble crochet)
- est** established
- inc** increase
- mm** millimeter
- rem** remain(ing)
- rnd(s)** round(s)
- sc** single crochet (UK: dc – double crochet)
- sk** skip
- sp** space
- st(s)** stitch(es)
- WS** wrong side