

Beach Galore Bag





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This crocheted beach bag is your perfect companion on hot summer days, where you need to pack your swimwear, towel, water bottle, snacks and a good book for a day out in the sun. The bag is nice and big and has a large opening, so you can easily just throw everything you need in the bag and go. The bag is crocheted in Infinity Hearts Macrome, which is made of 60% cotton and 40% polyester.

Size

Height: approx. 30cm

Width: approx. 45cm



Tools

- [Crochet hook](#) size. 3.50 and 5.00 (alternatively a smaller crochet hook depending on the crochet tension)
- [Darning needle](#) for fabric yarn
- [Scissors](#)

Materials

[Infinity Hearts Macrome](#)

- approx. 2 skeins of colour 1 ([here the colour used is colour 20](#))
- approx. 1 skein of colour 2 ([here the colour used is colour 15](#))
- approx. 1 skein of colour 3 ([here the colour used is colour 19](#))

Abbreviations

Dc -Double crochet stitch(es)

Ch = Chain stitch(es)

Inc = Increase

Dec = Decrease

Tr = Treble stitch(es)

BLO = Back loop only

Instructions

Bag crochet pattern

Start with purple

Work 50 ch on needle 3.5

Round 1: make 1 ch (for turning) and then make 1 dc in the 2nd stitch from the hook (ie skip the ch you made for turning), work dc for the next 48 sts (you have now reached to the end of the row). Make 4 dc in the last stitch while turning. Crochet back on the other side, by making 1 dc in all 49 sts. Work 3 dc in the last st. From here, you crochet in the round. The next st is the first on round. (104)

Round 2: inc. in the first s, 48 dc, 1 inc , 2 dc, 1 inc. , 48 dc, 1 inc, 2 dc (108)



Round 3: inc, 50 dc, inc, 2 dc, inc, 50 dc, inc, 2 dc (112)

Round 4: inc, inc, 50 dc, inc, inc 2 dc, inc, inc, 50 dc, inc, inc, 2 dc (120)

Round 5: 1 dc, inc, inc, 52 dc, inc, inc, 4 dc, inc, inc, 52 dc, inc, inc, 3 dc (128)

Round 6: 2 dc, inc, inc, 54 dc, inc, inc, 6 dc, inc, inc, 54 dc, inc, inc, 4 dc (136)

Change to needle 5

Round 7-15: dc in all st (136)

Round 16: 20 dc, dec, 20 dc, dec, 45 dc, dec, 20 dc, dec, 23 dc (132)

Round 17: 32 dc, dec, 62 dc, dec, 34 dc (128)

Round 18-26: dc in all st (128)

Change to colour 2 (light blue).

Round 27: tr in BLO on all st

Round 28: tr in all st

Change to colour 3 (dark blue).

Round 29: tr in BLO on all st

Round 30: tr in all st

Change to colour 1 (purple).

Round 31: tr in BLO on all st

Round 32: tr in all st

Change to colour 2 (light blue).

Round 33: tr in BLO on all st

Round 34: tr in all st

Change to colour 3 (dark blue).



Round 35: tr in BLO on all st

Round 36: tr in all st

Change to colour 1 (purple).

Round 37: tr in BLO on all st

Round 38: tr in all st

Change to colour 2 (light blue).

Round 39: tr in BLO on all st

Round 40: tr in all st

Change to colour 3 (dark blue).

Round 41-44: dc in all st, finish with a sl st and cast off.

Handles crochet pattern - Version 1:



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For this version, you crochet back and forth and sew it on the long side afterwards.

You crochet 2 handles.

Start with a long yarn end, which is left to sew the handle with.

1: Make 2 ch + 1 ch for turning

2: Crochet 2 dc, make 1 ch for turning

3: 2 inc, 1 ch for turning

4: 4 dc, 1 ch for turning



5: 1 inc, 2 dc, 1 inc, 1 ch for turning

6: 6 dc, 1 ch for turning

7: 1 inc, 4 dc, 1 inc, 1 ch for turning

8: *8 dc, 1 ch for turning* repeat until the work measures approx. 62cm (if you want the handles longer, you can continue, but keep in mind your amount of yarn)

9: 1 dec, 4 dc, 1 dec, 1 ch for turning

10: 6 dc, 1 ch for turning

11: 1 dec, 2 dc, 1 dec, 1 ch for turning

11: 4 dc, 1 ch for turning

12: 2 dec, 1 ch for turning

13: 2 dc, make 1 ch for turning

14: 1 dc, 1 sl st. Cast off and leave a long tail of yarn for sewing on the handle.

Handle crochet pattern - Version 2:

For this version, you crochet back and forth in the beginning, and then you change to crocheting in the round.

You crochet 2 handles.

Start with a long tail of yarn which is left for sewing the handle.

1: Make 2 ch + 1 ch for turning

2: Crochet to dc, make 1 ch for turning

3: 2 inc, 1 ch for turning

4: 4 dc, 1 ch for turning

5: 1 inc, 2 dc, 1 inc, 1 ch for turning

6: 6 dc, 1 ch for turning



7: 1 inc, 4 dc, 1 inc, 1 ch for turning

8: 8 dc, 1 ch for turning

9: Now join the two sides together by pressing them together so that the edges meet and you can crochet around. Continue until the piece measures approx. 62cm (you can make it longer if you want longer handles, but make sure you won't run out of yarn)

10: Now, you go back to crocheting back and forth, then make 1 ch for turning and crochet 8 dc.

11: 1 dec, 4 dc, 1 dec, 1 ch for turning

12: 6 dc, 1 ch for turning

13: 1 dec, 2 dc, 1 dec, 1 ch for turning

14: 4 dc, 1 ch for turning

15: 2 dec, 1 ch for turning

16: 2 dc, make 1 ch for turning

17: 1 dc, 1 sl st. Cast off, leave a long tail of yarn for sewing the handles attached.

Assembly and finishing:

Sew the handles attached. One handle on each side, with approx. 25 s in between.



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Now you just need to weave in the ends, and your beach bag is ready for the beach. Feel free to share photos of your work with #strandgalore #ritokrea and tag @krea_lea and @ritodk

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