

Crochet bag in a bag



4mm hook and dk cotton yarn in various colours.

Granny Square Base, with different colours on each round.

Make 4ch and join with a ss to form a ring, or make a magic ring.

Round 1: 3ch, 3tr in ring, 1ch, [4tr in ring, 1ch] 3 times, join with a ss to 3rd of 3ch at beginning of round. Fasten off.

Round 2: Join your new yarn into any 1ch space (one of the corners of your square), make 3ch, work [3tr, 1ch, 3 tr] all into this same space, work *[3tr, 1ch, 3tr] all into same space, repeat from * twice, join with a ss to 3rd of 3ch at beginning of round. Fasten off.

Round 3: Join your new yarn into any 3ch space (this is always going

to be the corner of your square), make 1ch, [3tr, 1ch, 3tr] all into this same space, *3tr into next space, work [3tr, 1ch, 3tr] into next 1ch space, rep from * twice, 3tr in next space, join with a ss to 3rd of 3ch from beginning of round. Fasten off. Continue until you have 5 rounds worked.

Make another granny square.

With wrong sides together, starting at first corner work dc in first 3 tr and continue round 3 sides to first 3 tr on 4th side, leaving $\frac{3}{4}$ of 4th side open.

Turn to wrong sides together and making 8 chain loops, using dc to join, make 4 loops on each side, on last 8 chain loop, dc into first loop. Make sure you leave the opening on the 4th side. You can now work in continuous rounds.

Work 8 ch loops continuously until about 12 rounds have been worked. Or length desired. (It may look a bit short but bag is very stretchy)

Work 1 round working 6 ch loops. Work 1 tr into each dc and 5 tr into each loop, making a firmer edge.

Handles.

Make two straps about 4 tr wide and about 12" long.

Alternatively, work the "Chainless Foundation Row" about 60 tr long required, Look at U-tube for instructions of "Chainless Foundation row" This may look hard but persevere and it gets easier to do and is the best way I have found to do handles.

Sew on handles and sew in ends. Turn base to right sides and push bag in though gap and sew a small button to close gap.

Round Base

Work 12 tr into magic ring.

Work 2 tr into each st.

Work 2 tr into 1st st and 1 into second and repeat to end.

Next row, 2ch, (miss 1st. 1tr, 1ch, 1tr, 1ch) into next st, and repeat to end.

Work 1tr into each 2 st space and 2 tr into next space, repeat to end.

Work 2, 1/2tr into next st and 2 1/2 tr into next st, repeat to end.

With wrong sides together join both circles together with dc all round,

leaving about 2" open. Dc across one side of opening making a button hole halfway. Turn to right sides together and making 8 Ch loops miss 4 sts dc into 5th st, making about 16 loops (no need to be exact) on last 8 ch loop dc into 1st loop and continue as square base.

Don't worry about keeping too strictly to the pattern, this is just a suggestion and is easily adapted to suit you.