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Crochet shopping bag

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Crochet Shopping Bag - worked in trebles

MEASUREMENTS

Bag (incl handles, before make up) measures 46 x 46cm

Note: Wash bag in hot water after finishing to achieve these measurements - bag will measure approx 49 x 46cm before washing.

MATERIALS

Twilleys Lyscot (2 x 100g balls)

One 4.00mm crochet hook or THE REQUIRED SIZE TO GIVE CORRECT TENSION; knitter's needle for sewing in ends.

TENSION

This bag has been designed at a tension of 18tr and 10 rows to 10cm over treble fabric, using 4.00mm hook and double yarn, before washing.

ABBREVIATIONS

beg=begin/ning; ch=chain; cm=centimetres; cont=continue; dc=double crochet; lp/s=loop/s; rep=repeat; sl st=slip st; st/s=stitch/es; tog=together; tr=treble; yoh=yarn over hook.

'Dec'=(yoh, draw up a lp in next st, yoh and draw through 2 lps on hook) twice, yoh and draw through all 3 lps on hook.

BAG (worked in one piece)

NOTE: Count 3ch at beg of rounds as 1tr throughout.

Using 4.00mm hook and double yarn, loosely make 176 ch, join with a sl st in first ch to form a circle.

1st Round: 3ch, 1tr in each ch to end, sl st in 3rd ch at beg ... 176tr.

2nd Round: 3ch, 1tr in each tr to end, sl st in 3rd ch at beg.

Rep last round until work measures 32cm from beg.

Divide for Handles: ** 1st Row: 2ch, 1tr in each of next 18tr, 'Dec', turn.

2nd Row: (1dc, 1ch) in first st, 1tr in each of next 18 sts.

Cont on these 19 sts for handle.

Rep last row 13 times.

Fasten off. **

Miss next 37tr and join yarn with sl st in next st.

Rep from ** to **.

Miss next 9tr and join yarn with a sl st in next st.

Rep from ** to **.

Miss next 37tr and join yarn with a sl st in next st.

Rep from ** to **.

TO MAKE UP

With wrong sides tog, fold each handle in half lengthways, continuing fold to lower edge of bag; with right sides tog, bring folds tog at side of bag (see diagram).

Using 4.00mm hook and working through all 4 thicknesses, join top of handles tog by working 1 row dc across folded handles. Fasten off.

Using 4.00mm hook and working through all thicknesses, work 1 row dc across lower edge of bag. Fasten off.



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