



THE COLOR EVOLUTION



SHOPPER BAG

SKILL LEVEL: Intermediate

MATERIALS

Natural Bag Print by Laines du Nord approx. 4 x 100 grams x col. 12

Natural Bag by Laines du Nord, 1 x 100 grams x col. 19

USG6/4 mm crochet hook

Stitch markers

Tapestry needle

Scissors

Tape measure

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

18"/45cm (widest point) x 16"/41cm (from base to top of triangle)

GAUGE

Using USG6/4mm crochet hook 16sc equals 4"/10cm

ABBREVIATIONS

RS = right side of the work

WS = wrong side of the work

st/sts = stitch/es

col = color

ch = chain stitch

sl st = slip stitch

sc = single crochet

hdc = half double crochet

rep = repeat

follow. = follow

tog. = together

sc2tog = [insert hook into next stitch, wrap yarn and draw loop through] twice, 3 loops on hook, wrap yarn and draw through all loops.

sc3tog = [insert hook into next stitch, wrap yarn and draw loop through] 3 times, 4 loops on hook, wrap yarn and draw through all loops.

INSTRUCTIONS

Work the bag from bottom to top.

Work the main part of the bag in a continuous spiral of sc, without closing each round with a sl st. To make it easier, place a SM in the 1st st of each round, moving it up as you go.

BAG INSTRUCTIONS

Using col 12, and USG6/4 mm crochet hook make a magic ring.

Round 1: 1 ch (doesn't count as a st), work 6sc into the ring; pull the yarn to tighten the ring; do not close the round with a sl st. Continue working in a spiral. [6sc]

Round 2: 2sc into each sc. [12sc]

Round 3: (1sc into the next sc, 2 sc in the next sc) 6 times. [18sc]

Round 4: 1sc into the next sc, 2 sc into the next sc, (1sc into the next 2sc, 2 sc into the next sc) 5 times, 1sc into the last sc. [24sc]

Round 5: (1sc into each of the next 3sc, 2sc into the next sc) 6 times. [30sc]

Round 6: 1sc into the next 2sc, 2 sc into the next sc, (1sc into each of the next 4sc, 2 sc in the next sc) 5 times, 1sc into each of the next 2sc, [36sc]

Round 7: (1sc into each of the next 5sc, 2 sc in the next sc) 6 times. [42sc]

Round 8: 1sc into each of the next 3sc, 2sc in the next sc, (1sc into each of the next 6sc, 2sc in the next sc) 5 times, 1sc into each of the next 3sc. [48sc]

Round 9: (1sc into each of the next 7sc, 2sc in the next sc) 6 times. [54sc]

Round 10: 1sc into each of the next 4sc, 2sc in the next sc, (1 sc into each of the next 8sc, 2 sc in the next sc) 5 times, 1sc into the next 4sc. [60sc]

Round 11: (1sc into each of the next 9sc, 2sc in the next sc) 6 times. [66sc]

Round 12: 1sc into each of the next 5sc, 2 sc in the next sc, (1sc into each of the next 10sc, 2 sc in the next sc) 5 times, 1sc into each of the next 5sc. [72sc]

Round 13: (1sc into each of the next 11sc, 2sc in the next sc) 6 times. [78sc]

Round 14: 1sc into each of the next 6sc, 2sc in the next sc, (1sc into each of the next 12sc, 2 sc in the next sc) 5 times, 1sc into each of the next 6sc. [84sc]

Round 15: (1sc into each of the next 13sc, 2 sc in the next sc) 6 times. [90sc]

Round 16: 1sc into each of the 7sc, 2 sc in the next sc, (1sc into each of the next 14sc, 2 sc in the next sc) 5 times, 1sc into each of the next 7sc. [96sc]

Round 17: (1sc into each of the next 15sc, 2sc in the next sc) 6 times. [102sc]

Round 18: 1sc into each of the next 8sc, 2sc in the next sc, (1sc into each of the next 16sc, 2sc in the next sc) 5 times, 1sc into each of the next 8sc. [108sc]

Round 19: (1sc into each of the next 17sc, 2sc in the next sc) 6 times. [114sc]

Round 20: 1sc into each of the next 9sc, 2sc in the next st, (1sc into each of the next 18sc, 2sc in the next st) 5 times, 1sc into each of the next 9sc. [120sc]

Round 21: (1sc into each of the next 19sc, 2sc in the next st) 6 times. [126sc]

Round 22: 1sc into each of the next 10sc, 2sc in the next st, (1sc into each of the next 20sc, 2sc in the next st) 5 times, 1sc into each of the next 10sc. [132sc]

Round 23: (1sc into each of the next 21sc, 2sc in the next sc) 6 times. [138sc]

Round 24: 1sc into each of the next 11sc, 2sc in the next sc, (1sc into each of the next 22sc, 2sc in the next sc) 5 times, 1sc into each of the next 11sc. [144sc]

Rounds 25 to 31: 1sc into each sc to end.

Round 32: (1sc into each of the next 23sc, 2sc in the next st) 6 times. [150sc]

Rounds 33 to 40: 1sc into each sc to end.

Row 41: 1sc into each sc to end, sl st to first sc.

Divide the work and continue in back-and-forth rows over the first 75 sts.

Row 42: 1 ch (doesn't count as a st in this and the following rows) 1sc into each of the next 75sc, turn, leave the remaining sts unworked.

Row 43: 1 ch, sc2tog, 1sc into each of the next 71sc, sc2tog, turn. [73sc]

Row 44: 1 ch, 1sc into each sc to end, turn.

Row 45: 1 ch, sc2tog, 1sc into each of the next 69sc, sc2tog, turn. [71sc]

Row 46: 1 ch, 1sc into each sc to end, turn.

Row 47: 1 ch, sc2tog, 1sc into each of the next 67sc, sc2tog, turn. [69sc]

Row 48: 1 ch, 1sc into each sc to end, turn.

Row 49: 1 ch, sc2tog, work 1sc into each of the next 65sc, sc2tog, turn. [67 sc]

Row 50: 1 ch, 1sc into each of the next 33sc, 2sc into the next sc, 1sc into each of the next 33sc, turn. (68sc)

Divide the work again and work the 2 points (triangular parts) separately for the upper part.

First point

Row 51: 1 ch, sc2tog, 1sc into each of the next 17sc, turn leaving the remaining sts unworked. [18sc]

Row 52: 1 ch, skip the 1st base st, sl st into the next st, 1sc into each of the 16sc, turn. [17sc]

Row 53: 1 ch, sc2tog, 1sc into each of the next 12sc, sl st into the next sc, turn. [14sc]

Row 54: 1 ch, sl st in the next sc, 1sc into each of the next 12sc, turn. [13sc]

Row 55: 1 ch, sc2tog, 1sc into each of the next 9sc, sl st. into the next sc, turn. [11sc]

Row 56: 1 ch, sl st in the next sc, 1sc into each of the next 9sc, turn. [10sc]

Row 57: 1 ch, sc2tog, 1sc into each of the next 6sc, sl st. into the next sc, turn. [8sc]

Row 58: 1 ch, sl st in the next sc, 1sc into each of the next 6sc, turn. [7sc]

Row 59: 1 ch, sc2tog, 1sc into each of the next 3sc, sl st. into the next st, turn. [5sc]

Row 60: 1 ch, sl st in the next sc, 1sc into the each of the next 2sc, 1 hdc into the next st. [4sc]

Break off yarn and fasten off.

Second point

Return to the unworked sts of row 51.

Row 51: skip 32sc (after the 18th sc of the first point) rejoin yarn to the next sc, join col 12 and work as follows:, 1 ch (doesn't count as a st in this and the following rows), 1 sc in the same base st as the 1ch, 1sc into each of the next 16sc, sc2tog over the last 2 sts, turn. [18sc]

Row 52: 1 ch, 1sc into each of the next 16sc, sl st in the next st, turn, leaving the last st unworked. [17sc]

Rows 53 to 60: work as rows 53 to 60 of the first point and decrease reversing all shaping.

On the opposite side of the bag, work the 75 remaining sc to match first side of bag.

FINISHING

The 2 triangular points with adjacent slanted sides form a "V" shape and correspond to the center front, while the other 2 points with the "V" correspond to the center back.

Front center "V" band: join Natural Bag col 19 to the inner upper part of the right point.

Row 1 (RS): 1 ch (does not count as a st in this and the following rows), working downward, work 20sc along the 1st slanted edge of the "V", sc3tog at the 'v' point, then working upwards, work 20sc along the 2nd slanted edge of the "V", turn.

Row 2 (WS): 1 ch, 1sc into each of the next 19sc, sc3tog, 1sc into each of the next 19sc, turn.

Row 3: 1 ch, 1sc into each of the next 18sc, sc3tog, 1sc into each of the next 18sc, break off yarn and fasten off.

Back center "V" band: work as for the front center "V" band.

Complete the bag by finishing the sides edges and simultaneously creating the handles.

Side bands and handles

On the RS, join Natural Bag col 19 at the end of row 3 of the "V" shaped band, on the left point of the front or back.

Round 1: work 1sc at the end of each of the 3 rows of the "V" shaped band, 62sc evenly along the 1st side edge of the front and back, 3sc at the end of the 3 rows of the opposite V shaped band, work 50ch for the 1st handle, 3sc at the opposite ends of the 3 rows of the same V shaped band, 62sc evenly along the 2nd side edge of the bag, 3sc at the end of the 3 rows of the opposite V shaped band, work 50ch for the 2nd handle, sl st to the first ch.

Round 2: work 1sc into each of the first 68sc, 1 sc in each of the 50ch of the 1st handle, 1sc into each of the next 68sc, 1sc in each of the 50ch of the 2nd handle, sl st to the first st. [236sc]

Round 3: (1sc into the first 16sc, sc2tog, 1sc into each of the next 32sc, sc2tog. 1sc into each of the next 16sc, 50sc across the 50sc of the handle) twice, sl st to the first st. [232sc]

Round 4: (sl st across 66sc, 1sc into the next 50sc) twice, sl st to the first st.

Fasten off.

Sew in all loose ends.