



## SPRING GREEN – CROCHET BAG

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This simple tote bag only uses double crochet, trebles and chains, requires no shaping skills and is large enough to hold a magazine.



This pattern uses UK stitch terminology

### MEASUREMENTS

Length 12" (30cm). Approx. Width 10" (25cm). Approx.

### MATERIALS

4mm crochet hook.

Main colour (Green) – 1 x 100gm ball of Sirdar Country Style DK. Yarn. (220m/240yds per 100grams approximately).

Contrast (Cream) - 1 x 100 gm ball of Sirdar Country Style DK. (220 m / 240 yards per 100grams approximately).

This pattern can be made using any standard UK double knitting yarn.

### STITCHES USED AND ABBREVIATIONS

Ch = Chain.

Dc = Double Crochet.

Tr = Treble.

Ss = Slip stitch used to join rounds.

## MAIN BODY (Make 2)

With main colour (Green) Make 44 chain.

1st row – 1 treble into 4th chain from hook. 1 treble into each remaining chain (total 40 trebles). 3 chain. Turn.

2nd row – Miss 3 chain (just made) and make 1 treble into each stitch along the row, (total 40 trebles). Make 3 chain. Turn.

Repeat as above for a further 22 rows. (You will have a total of 24 rows).

Break yarn and fasten off.

25th Row – Join in contrast colour (Cream) and make 1 chain. Work 1 double crochet in the same stitch, (where you joined in your new yarn), then make 1 double crochet in each stitch along the row. Break yarn and fasten off.

26th Row – Join in main colour (Green) and make 1 chain. Work 1 double crochet in the same stitch, (where you joined in your new yarn), then make 1 double crochet in each stitch along the row. Break yarn and fasten off.

27th Row – Repeat row 25.

28th and 29th Row – Join in main colour (Green) in the same way as used for the previous 3 rows, work 2 rows of double crochet. Break yarn and fasten off.

## STRAP (Make 1)

With main colour (Green) make 151 chain.

1st Row – With main colour (Green) make 1 double crochet into 2nd chain from hook. Then work 1 row of double crochet. (150 stitches). Break yarn and fasten off.

2nd Row – With contrast colour (Cream) join in new yarn and make 1 chain, then work 1 row of double crochet. Break yarn and fasten off.

3rd Row – With main colour (Green) join in new yarn and make 1 chain, then work 1 row of double crochet. Break yarn and fasten off

4th Row – Repeat row 2.

5th Row – Repeat row 3.

## GRANNY SQUARE POCKET

(Using abbreviations at the top of the pattern).

Using main colour (green), make 5 ch, join with a ss to form a ring.

**1st Round** – Make 3ch, and 2 tr, then 1 ch.

Now work (3tr, 1ch) three times in the ring, join with ss in top of the 3rd ch at the beginning of the round. Fasten off.

**2nd Round** - Join in contrast colour (cream) at corner space.

Make 3ch, (2tr, 1ch, 3tr, 1ch) in corner space.

Then make \*(3tr, 1ch, 3tr, 1ch) in next space\*; Rep from \* to \* to end of round, join with ss in the top of the 3rd chain made at the beginning of the round. Fasten off.

**3rd Round** - Join in main colour (green) at corner space.

Make 3ch, (2tr, 1ch, 3tr, 1ch) in corner space.

\* 3tr, 1ch in next space, (3tr, 1ch, 3tr, 1ch) in corner space: rep from \* to last space, 3tr, 1ch, in last space, then join with ss in top of 3rd chain. At the beginning of the round. Fasten off.

Join in contrast colour (cream) at corner space.

**Work 4th, 5th and 6th round** in the same manner, joining in a new colour each round and making 3ch, (2tr, 1ch, 3tr, 1ch) in the first corner space. After this work 3tr, 1 ch, along the straight edges, and 3tr, 1ch, 3tr, 1ch, at each corner space. Join to the top of the 3<sup>rd</sup> ch made at the beginning of the round and fasten off.

**7th Round - Edging.**

With main colour (green), work 1 double crochet into the top of each treble and 1 double crochet in each chain space, along the straight edges. At the corners work 3 double crochet in each of the 4 corner spaces.

## MAKING UP

Darn in all loose ends.

Pin pocket centrally to front of bag and over sew into place.

With right sides together, over sew sides and bottom of bag. Turn right side out.

Stitch each end of strap to top edge of bag at side seams.