

CROCHET TOTE

DIY YARN BAG (1 OF 2)

SKILL LEVEL: Beginner/Intermediate

ABBREVIATIONS:

- beg** - beginning
- ch** - chain
- ea** - each
- hdc** - half double crochet
- hdcblo** - hdc in back loop only
- hdc3loop** - half double crochet in third loop
- hk** - hook
- rep** - repeat
- rnd(s)** - round(s)
- sc** - single crochet
- sk** - skip
- sm** - stitch marker
- sp** - space
- sl st** - slip stitch
- st(s)** - stitch(es)

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS:

Approx. 16" wide x 14" tall x 6" deep
(with handles)

GAUGE:

8 sts and 6 rows = 4" square of sc

MATERIALS:

- Yarn Bee® Soft & Sleek Super Bulky™, 8 oz (227 g) skein of 70 yds (64 m):
 - Viridescent - 3 skeins
- Yarn needle
- Stitch markers
- US size N/15 (10mm) crochet hook

SPECIAL STITCHES:

Hdcblo: Insert the hook in the middle of the "v" and grab only the part of the "v" that is farthest from you (that is the back loop). Next, make the stitch as you usually would.

Hdc3loop: The yarn over in a half double crochet forms a diagonal line at the front and a horizontal line at the back of the stitch. The horizontal line at the back is the third loop. When working the hdc3loop, you will work your stitch as you normally would into the back horizontal line.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Place sm in beg st of ea rnd.

Ch 19.

Rnd 1: Sc in second ch from hk (counts as first st), sc in next 16 chs, 3 sc in last ch, continue around other side of ch base, sc in next 16 chs, 2 sc in last. Do not join. (38)

Rnd 2: 2 sc in next st, sc in next 16 sts, 2 sc in each of next 3 sts, sc in next 16 sts, 2 sc in ea of last 2 sts. (44)

Rnd 3: 2 sc in next st, sc in next 17 sts, 2 sc in next st, *sc in next st, 2 sc in next st* (2 times), sc in next 17 sts, *2 sc in next st, sc in next st* (2 times) (50)

Rnd 4: Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 18 sts, *2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts* (2 times), 2 sc in next st, sc in next 18 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in last st. (56)

Rnd 5: sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 19 sts, *2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts* (2 times), 2 sc in next st, sc in next 19 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in last 2 sts, sl st to join to beg st, ch 1. (62)

Rnd 6: Hdcblo in ea st around. Sl st to join to beg st, ch 1. (62)

Rnd 7: Hdc in ea st around. Sl st to join to beg st, ch 1. (62)

Rnd 8: Hdc3loop in ea st around. Sl st to join to beg st, ch 1. (62)

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Rnds 9-10: Rep row 7.

Rnd 11: Rep row 8.

Rnds 12-13: Rep row 7.

Rnd 14: Rep row 8.

Rnds 15-16: Rep row 7.

Rnd 17: Rep row 8.

Rnd 18: Rep row 7.

Rnd 19: Hdc in first 13 sts, ch 20, sk 11 sts, join in next st, hdc in joined st and next 19 sts, ch 20, sk 11 sts, join in next st, hdc in joined st and next 6 sts, sl st to join to beg st, ch 1. (80, including chs)

Rnd 20: Hdc3loop in first 13 sts, work 20 sc in each ch, hdc3loop in next 20 sts, 20 sc in each ch, hdc3loop in last 7 sts, sl st to join to beg st, ch 1. (80)

Rnd 21: Hdc in first 13 sts, sc in next 20 sts, hdc in next 20 sts, sc in next 20 sts, hdc in last 7 sts, sl st to join to beg st. Fasten off and weave in ends. (80)