

FOLIE BAG CLUTCH

DIFFICULTY = Intermediate

Yarn = [FOLIE BAG](#) by LAINES DU NORD, 300 grams, col. 103

Crochet-hook = Size 4 mm

1 spring closure = 20 x 17 cm

Others = stitch marker, darning needle, scissors, tape measure.



SAMPLE

Bag: 24 cm in width, 17 cm in height, 14 cm in depth.

POINTS USED

Chain stitch, slip stitch, single crochet.

Fancy single crochet: insert the hook into the left vertical bar of the previous stitch and through the next base single crochet, yarn over and pull 1 loop, yarn over again and pull through all 3 loops on the hook to close the single crochet.

Invisible bind off: After last single crochet, fasten off leaving a 12–15 cm tail. Thread the darning needle, insert from back to front under both V-shaped-bars of top of first single crochet, then into center of top of last single crochet, to the back. Pull to form a fake stitch. Weave in end on WS.

ABBREVIATIONS

RS = right side of the work
WS = wrong side of the work
SM = stitch marker
col = color(s)
st(s) = stitch(es)
ch = chain stitch
sl st = slip stitch
sc = single crochet
tog = together
rep = repeat
rep ** = repeat from * to *
beg = beginning
fol = follow

MEASURES

10 x 10 cm = 13.5 stitches and 13 rows/rounds, in fancy single crochet, using Folie bag yarn and size 4.5 mm crochet-hook.

PROCEDURE

DETAILED PATTERN INSTRUCTIONS

BASE

Chain 21.

Row 1: 1 sc in the 2nd ch from the hook and in each of 19 sc, 1 turning ch (never count the turning ch like one st). [20 sc]

Row 2 to 29: 20 sc, 1 turning ch.

Finishing round: 1 ch and 1 sc in the 1st st, 1 sc in every st, 1 sc in the end of every row and (1 sc, 1 ch, 1 sc) in every corner; 1 sl st in the beg sc. Do not cut the yarn. [104 sc]

BODY OF THE BAG

Round 1: 1 ch and 1 sc in the 1st st, 1 fancy sc in every st of the round, at the end do not close the round and continue in spiral. [104 sts]

Round 2 to 12: 104 fancy sc across every round. At the end of the round 12, close with 1 sl st in the beg sc of the same round; cut the yarn and close.

Top front and back

Flat the bag and identify the 7 central stitches of the front and back, then insert 1 SM in the 1st and 7th st of both groups. Continue working 2 pieces separately in back-and-forth rows as follow:

Row 13: join the yarn at the st after the left SM, 2 fancy sc tog (1st decrease), 41 fancy sc, 2 fancy sc tog (2nd decrease), 1 turning ch [43 sts]

Row 14: 43 sl st, 1 turning sc.

Row 15: 2 fancy sc tog, 39 fancy sc, 2 fancy sc tog. Cut the yarn and close. [41 sts]

Rep from 13th to 15th round on opposite side.

FINISHING

Cover the first half of the spring closure with 58 sc, 2 ch at the small zipper, 58 sc on second half of the spring closure and 2 ch at the other small zipper; 1 sl st in the beg sc, turn.

Spring closure joining: using smallclothespins,securethe spring around the top edge

of the bag, then join the 2 parts from 1st 2-ch-group as foll.: * insert the hook through the back thread of 1 ch of the spring and through the back thread of the corresponding sc of the bag, yarn over and pull through the 2 loops and the loop on the crochet-hook closing them together *, rep ** to join the next ch of the spring and the next sc of the bag. Continue joining (through the back loop) every couple of sc until the central opening, then evenly work sc around the opening. At last, join the spring at the body of the bag, in the same way, until the 2nd 2-ch-group; join the second half of the spring and repeat the same procedure around the other central opening.

Using the darning needle, weave in all end.

The base of the bag is worked in back-and-forth rows.

The first part of the body of the bag is worked in spiral around the perimeter of the base: do not close each round with a sl st. To mark the round, place a SM in the first st of each round and move it upwards as you go.

The second part of the body consists of two upper sections; work them separately in back-and-forth rows. At last, cover the spring closure with sc and joint it at the upper edge of the bag.

PHOTOGALLERY

