# Crochet Tote Bag with Matching Case (Includes two Style Handles)





### **Materials Needed**

- Size H or 5.00mm crochet hook
- Worsted Weight Yarn (size 4)
  - o I used these colors but feel free to use any worsted weight yarn:
  - \*Pink Style Tote Bag
    - Joanns Big Twist Value Yarns: medium rose and magenta
    - Michaels Craft Smart Value Yarn: pink ombre
  - \*Purple Style Tote Bag
    - Redheart Supersaver Yarn: dark orchid
    - Joanns Big Twist Value Yarn: soft purple
    - Michaels Craft Smart Value Yarn: purple ombre
- Scissors
- Tapestry Needle
- Measuring Tape
- Stitch Markers

\*Optional: Pony, Decorative, and or letter beads. Bows, Ribbons, Buttons

#### **Stitch Abbreviations**

- Ch-chain
- Sl St- Slip Stitch

- Sc- Single Crochet
- Dc-Double Crochet
- Dcblo- Double Crochet Back Loop only

#### Measurements:

\*Pink Tote Bag Measurements (including handle)

- Height 12 inches, width 13 ½
- Base measurement: 7 ½ inches

\*Purple Tote Bag Measurements:

- Without Handles: height 12 inches, width 13 ½ inches
- Including Handles: height 21 inches, width 13 ½ inches
- Base Measurement: 7 ½ inches

Height 7 inches, Width 4 inches, and base 2 inches

#### **Notes**

- Chain two to start each round never counts as a stitch
- Bag and case are worked from the bottom up
- Written in U.S. Terms
- Stitch counts are at the end of each round
- I recommend using a stitch marker to mark the start of each round
- Both tote bags have the same base and body pattern (change in pattern will come later on for your choice in handle).
- If you want a stronger base for your bag, you can make two base circles and attach them. This option will be shown and written out in the pattern (side note: I use my tote bags for light items and single base works good for me).
- Tote bag isn't meant for heavy items.

# **Pattern: Purple Version**

Make 2

Ch 3, Sl St into the first Ch

<sup>\*</sup>Case Measurements:

Round 1: Ch 2, 12 Dc into the circle, Sl St to starting Ch (12)

Round 2: Ch 2, 2 Dc into each st, Sl St to starting Ch (24)

Round 3: Ch 2, 1 Dc into first st, \*2 Dc in the next st, 1 Dc in the next st, repeat from the \* around the circle, Sl St to starting Ch (36)

Round 4: Ch 2, 1 Dc into the first two st, \*2 Dc into the next st, 1 Dc into the next two st, repeat from the \* around the circle, Sl St to starting Ch (48)

Round 5: Ch 2, 1 Dc into the first three st, \*2 Dc into the next st, 1 Dc into the next three st, repeat from the \* around the circle, Sl St to starting Ch (60)

Round 6: Ch 2, 1 Dc into the first four st, \*2 Dc into the next st, 1 Dc into the next four st, repeat from the \* around the circle, Sl St to starting Ch (72)

**Round 7:** Ch 2, 1 Dc into the first five st, \*2 Dc into the next st, 1 Dc into the next five st, repeat from the \* around the circle, Sl St to starting Ch (84)

# Attaching: (If making 2 for a stronger base) if not skip to round 9

Hold both circles with wrong sides facing each other. Attach green yarn with a Sl St.

**Round 8:** Ch 1, Sc around making sure to pick up both loops on both circles. Sl St to starting Ch (84)



Next you will be working up the sides of your bag.

Round 9: Ch 2, 1 Dcblo in each st around, Sl St to starting Ch (84)

Rounds 9-26: Ch 2, 1 Dc in each st around, Sl St to starting Ch (84)

Attach new yarn color.

Round 27: Ch 2, 1 Dc in each st around, sl st into beginning Ch (84).

**Rounds 28 – 31:** Ch 2, 1 Dc into each stitch around the circle, sl st into beginning Ch (84).

Tie Off and Weave In Your Ends!

# Tote Bag Handles:

Lay your bag flat with back of bag facing towards you (as pictured), center starting stitch in the middle, evenly place stitch markers, one on left, one on right sides of the bag.



Row 1: Count in from right stitch marker to 7th st, attach yarn, Ch 2, 1 Dc in first st, 1 Dc in the next 7 sts, Ch 2, turn,

Row 2: 1 Dc in each st across (8),

Repeat row 2 until you have an approximately 22 inch handle,

To attach: skip over 14 stitches, attach to same side of bag, sc to bag to attach.

Tie Off Handle and Weave In Your Ends!

Now turning your bag around to the front side, repeat steps about to make second handle.

#### **Pattern: Pink Version**

Make 2

Ch 3, Sl St into the first Ch

Round 1: Ch 2, 12 Dc into the circle, Sl St to starting Ch (12)

Round 2: Ch 2, 2 Dc into each st, Sl St to starting Ch (24)

Round 3: Ch 2, 1 Dc into first st, \*2 Dc in the next st, 1 Dc in the next st, repeat from the \* around the circle, Sl St to starting Ch (36)

**Round 4:** Ch 2, 1 Dc into the first two st, \*2 Dc into the next st, 1 Dc into the next two st, repeat from the \* around the circle, Sl St to starting Ch (48)

Round 5: Ch 2, 1 Dc into the first three st, \*2 Dc into the next st, 1 Dc into the next three st, repeat from the \* around the circle, Sl St to starting Ch (60)

**Round 6**: Ch 2, 1 Dc into the first four st, \*2 Dc into the next st, 1 Dc into the next four st, repeat from the \* around the circle, Sl St to starting Ch (72)

Round 7: Ch 2, 1 Dc into the first five st, \*2 Dc into the next st, 1 Dc into the next five st, repeat from the \* around the circle, Sl St to starting Ch (84)

# Attaching: (If making 2 for a stronger base) if not skip to round 9

Hold both circles with wrong sides facing each other. Attach green yarn with a Sl St.

**Round 8:** Ch 1, Sc around making sure to pick up both loops on both circles. Sl St to starting Ch (84)



Next you will be working up the sides of your bag.

Round 9: Ch 2, 1 Dcblo in each st around, Sl St to starting Ch (84)

Rounds 9-26: Ch 2, 1 Dc in each st around, Sl St to starting Ch (84)

#### Tote Bag Handles:

Now tie off yarn!

Lay your bag flat with the back of your bag facing towards you (as pictured), center starting stitch in the middle.

Place stitch markers (one on the right side, one on the left) of your bag, evenly placed! Now attach new color yarn (or yarn color of your choice) to the right side of your bag, as pictured!



Attach yarn and Ch 2,

Round 27: 1 Dc in each st around, 2 Dc in final st, sl st to beginning ch (85)

Round 28: Ch 2, 1 Dc in first st, 1 Dc in next 14 sts, Ch 12, skip 12 stitches (to create your first handle). 1 Dc into the 13th st over, 1 Dc into the next 29 sts, Ch 12, skip 12 sts (this will create the 2nd handle), 1 Dc in the 13th st over, 1 Dc into the next 15 sts, sl st into beginning Ch (85).

**Round 29**: Ch 2, 1 Dc in each st around, including each set of 12 ch, sl st to beginning Ch (85).

Rounds 30-31: Ch 2, 1 Dc in each st around, sl st to beginning Ch (85).

Tie Off and Weave In Your Ends!

# Crochet Case Pattern

(Note: Ch 2 never counts as a stitch, you can use any color combination, I usually like it to match my bag).

To Start: Ch 3, sl st into beginning ch.

Round 1: Ch 2, 12 Dc in the circle, sl st into beginning Ch (12).

Round 2: Ch, 2 Dc in each st around, sl st into beginning Ch (24).

Round 3: Ch, 1 DcBlo in each st around, sl st into beginning Ch (24).

Rounds 4 – 14: Ch 2, 1 Dc in each st around, sl st into beginning Ch (24).

Rounds 15-18: Ch 2, 1 Dc in each st around, sl st into beginning Ch (24).

Tie Off and Weave In Your Ends!

#### Drawstring Closure:

With yarn color of your choice: use three strands of worsted 4 weight acrylic yarn around 60 inches in length. Start from the front center of your bag, 2nd row from the top of your bag, weave the three strands of yarn held together in and out in between 2 stitches at a time around the case.

I like to add pony beads to my yarn strands for an extra touch. You can also use letter or decorative beads. I triple knot my strands below the beads or without the beads to secure the strands. Make sure your drawstring is even all around your bag, and trim to your liking.

Sew in ALL of your ends!

Thank you SO much for purchasing my pattern. I hope that you enjoy making it! Thank you so much for all of your love and support with my work! Please contact/reach out to me at allyarnedup83@gmail.com or on Instagram @taralynndulo if you have any questions or need help with this pattern. If you post finished pictures of your project on Instagram please tag me so that I can see! Thank you!

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