Crochet Watermelon Purse



Materials Needed

- Size H or 5.00mm crochet hook
- Worsted Weight Yarn (size 4)
 - $\circ\ \ \mbox{\ \ }$ I used these colors but feel free to use any worsted weight yarn:
 - o Joanns Big Twist Value Yarns:
 - Varsity Red
 - Varsity Green
 - White
- Scissors
- Tapestry Needle
- Measuring Tape
- 56 Black Pony Beads
- Stitch Markers

Stitch Abbreviations

- Ch-chain
- Sl St- Slip Stitch
- Sc-Single Crochet
- Dc-Double Crochet
- Dcblo- Double Crochet Back Loop only

Notes

- Chain two to start each round never counts as a stitch
- Bag is 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

Measurements:

- Bottom of the bag (7 ½ inches)
- Bottom to the top of the bag (8 inches)

Pattern:

Make 2 (Starting with Green Yarn)

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 Chh (36)

Round 4: Ch 2, 1 Dc into the first two st, *2 Dc into the next st, 1 Dc into the next 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:

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 10-12: Ch 2, 1 Dc in each st around, Sl St to starting Ch (84)

Change to white yarn

Rounds 13-14: Ch 2, 1 Dc in each st around, Sl St to starting Ch (84)

Before you attach red yarn, string 50 Black Pony Beads on to your yarn!

Change to red yarn

I worked the first round of red (Round 15) without dropping any pony beads, I placed ten pony beads in each of Rounds 16-20, using a total of 50 Black Pony Beads; however, your placement and count of pony beads is up to you!

Round 15: Ch 2, 1 Dc into each stitch around your circle, Sl St to starting Ch (84)

*Rounds 16-20 you will be dropping ten Black Pony Beads in each round spread out.

Rounds 16-20: Ch 2, 1 Dc into each st around, dropping ten Black Pony Beads. Sl St to starting Ch (84)

Rounds 21-24: Ch 2, 1 Dc into each st around, Sl St to starting Ch (84)

Watermelon Purse Handle:

Keep in mind that the handle will stretch with use.

With color of your choice (I used the same green as in my bag), start at the first stitch of Round 24 and count to the 19th stitch, Sl St yarn to attach handle color

Row 1: Ch 1, Sc into the same st, 1 Sc into the next five st, Ch 1 and turn (6)

Rows 2-35: Sc across, Ch 1 and turn (6) don't tie off!

Repeat until desired length, I made my handle around 10 inches which is about 35 rows,

Starting back on Round 24, count from the 23rd stitch on your bag (the last St where your handle was attached), to the 61st St, Sl St handle onto this St, Ch 1, Sc in the same St, Sc in the next 5 sts to attach handle to the other

side of your bag. (these Sc will be worked in stitches 61-65 on the top of your bag).

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 your bag.

I like to add pony beads to my yarn strands for an extra touch. You can also use letter or decorative beads. (I used 3 Black Pony Beads on each string tie for this project.) 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.

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