Bubble stitch soap saver pouch

Bar · US terms



Finished size
About 4½ × 5 in (11 × 13 cm)
About 4½ in (11.5 cm) wide laid flat and 5 in (12.5 cm) tall. To fit a bar up to 3¼ in (8.5 cm) long, 2½ in (6.5 cm) wide and 1¼ in (3 cm) thick

Skill
Easy
It is worked in a spiral from an oval base, with bobbles and one round of spaces for a cord.

Yarn
Medium (4), 2 colors

Hook
4.5 mm (US 7)

Gauge
16 stitches and 18 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: seafoam, rounds 1 to 23 **about 80 yd (73 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: white, round 24 **about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**
Fiber: cotton
Hook: 4.5 mm (US 7), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a stitch marker, a yarn needle and scissors.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. The estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Fits	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Bar ends		3 × 3¾ in (8 × 10 cm)	about 45 yd (41 m)
Bar (this file)	**a bar up to 3¼ in (8.5 cm) long, 2½ in (6.5 cm) wide and 1¼ in (3 cm) thick**	**4½ × 5 in (11 × 13 cm)**	**about 90 yd (82 m)**

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Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

ch	chain stitch
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
yo	yarn over (UK yrh, yarn round hook)
st	stitch
sp	space
sk	skip (UK miss)
rnd	round
RS	right side

Special stitches

bo (Bobble): [yo, insert hook in the place named, yo, pull up a loop, yo, pull through 2 loops] 5 times, yo, pull through all 6 loops on hook. Push it out to the right side. It leaves 1 bo for the next round.

Gauge

16 stitches and 18 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

The bobble rounds are counted at the same height as single crochet rounds.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. The gauge is checked on the piece itself: after round 2 the base should measure about 4¼ in (11 cm) long, laid flat and not stretched. If the piece measures more than that, begin again with a smaller hook; if it measures less, with a larger hook.

Before you start

- Round 1 is worked along both sides of the foundation chain: along one side, 3 stitches in the last chain, then back along the other side.
- The rounds are not joined: work in a spiral, and move a marker up to the first stitch of each round.
- The bobbles of each bobble round stand between those of the bobble round before. The round after it has one single crochet (UK double crochet) in every stitch, so that the count stays the same.
- Soap bars differ. Measure yours. It stands in the pouch on one of its long narrow sides. The bar ends size takes the ends of two or three worn bars. The bar size takes a bar up to 3¼ in (8.5 cm) long, 2½ in (6.5 cm) wide and 1¼ in (3 cm) thick.
- To change color, draw the new yarn through as the last yarn over of the stitch before. Cut the old yarn at each change, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).
- Colors, round by round. Rounds 1 to 23: A. Round 24: B.
- For a taller pouch work two rounds more, or four, after round 19 and before round 20. They are a bobble round worked as round 4 and a plain round, then, if there are four, a bobble round worked as round 6 and a plain round, so that the bobbles still stand between one another. Two rounds make the pouch a little less than ½ in, about 1.1 cm, taller. The rounds after them keep their order.

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Instructions

Chosen: Bar. Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a round is done. In UK terms sc is double crochet, yo is yarn round hook and sk is miss.

Yarns in order of use: A, seafoam; B, white.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 15.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 12 chs, 3 sc in last ch, working along the other side of the foundation ch, sc in next 12 chs, 2 sc in last ch	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 12 sts, 2 sc in each of next 3 sts, sc in next 12 sts, 2 sc in each of next 2 sts	**(36 sc)**

Stop and measure now, after round 2. The base should measure about 4¼ in (11 cm) long and 1 in (2.5 cm) wide.

Sides

☐ **Rnd 3**	Sc in each st around	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**Bo in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 12 times**	**(12 bo, 24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Sc in each st around	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	Sc in next st, **[**bo in next st, sc in next 2 sts**] 11 times**, bo in next st, sc in next st	**(24 sc, 12 bo)**
☐ **Rnds 7 to 19**	Repeat rnds 3 to 6 in order, over and over. The last rnd, rnd 19, is worked as rnd 3.	

A box for each round, 7 to 19: tick them off as you go.

☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐ 9 ☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ 12 ☐ 13 ☐ 14 ☐ 15 ☐ 16 ☐ 17 ☐ 18 ☐ 19

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☐ **Rnd 20**	Sc in each st around	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 21**	**[**Sc in next 2 sts, ch 1, sk next st**] 12 times**	**(24 sc, 12 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 22**	**[**Sc in next 2 sts, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 12 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 23**	Sc in each st around	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 24**	With B, sc in each st around	**(36 sc)**
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch to level the edge. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Assembly

1. Weave in all the tails of the pouch on the inside.

2. For the cord, with B, ch 100, about 20 in (51 cm) long, and fasten off with a tail of 6 in (15 cm) at each end.

3. Lay the pouch flat with the base folded along its middle. Find the space of round 21 that is nearest to one side fold. Thread the cord in through that space from the outside, out through the next, and so on through all 12 spaces. The cord comes out of the last space, next to the first.

4. Tie a knot in each end of the cord, close to its last chain, and trim the tail to about ½ in (1.5 cm) beyond the knot.

5. Put the soap in, pull both ends of the cord until the neck is drawn up, and tie them in a bow. To hang the pouch up to dry, put the two loops of the bow over a hook. Untie the bow to take the soap out.

Finishing

- After use let the water run out of the pouch and hang it up by the bow to dry.

In all: 24 rounds.

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