Camera crossbody purse

US terms



Finished size

About 7 in (18 cm) wide, 4½ in (11.5 cm) tall and 2¼ in (5.5 cm) deep, the lens about 1 in (2.5 cm) more, with about 44 in (112 cm) of strap between its sewn ends

Skill

Intermediate

The parts are simple rows and rounds, with a good deal of sewing and a zipper.

Yarn

Medium (4), 5 colors

Hook

4 mm (US G-6)

Gauge

16 stitches and 18 rows to 4 in (10 cm)

In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: charcoal, the body, the lens and the window	**about 115 yd (105 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: silver gray, the top, the lens rings	**about 65 yd (59 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: teal, the middle of the lens	**about 5 yd (5 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: mustard, the shutter knob and the strap	**about 35 yd (32 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: white, the flash, the highlights and the strap	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 4 mm (US G-6), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a zipper 7 in (18 cm) long in charcoal gray, a handful of toy stuffing, sewing thread in gray, a sewing needle and pins, 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.

Abbreviations

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

ch	chain stitch
sl st	slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
BLO	back loop only
MR	magic ring
st	stitch
rnd	round
RS	right side

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Gauge

16 stitches and 18 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet. Along a row, count every stitch and every chain between stitches as one.

> **The swatch.** A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. Lay it flat and count the stitches and rows over 4 in (10 cm) in its middle. There should be 16 stitches and 18 rows. If you count more stitches than that, change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, change to a smaller hook. The swatch can be pulled out and its yarn used again.

Swatch foundation	Ch 25.	
Swatch row 1 (RS)	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(24 sc)**
Swatch rows 2 to 27	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(24 sc)**

Before you start

- Begin with a magic ring: wind the yarn once round two fingers, put the hook through the ring, draw up a loop and chain 1 to hold it, which does not count as a stitch. Work round 1 into the ring, then pull the tail to draw the ring closed.
- The rounds of the lens ring and of the lens and of the shutter knob are not joined: work in a spiral, and move a marker up to the first stitch of each round.
- The chain of 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.
- Where the pattern says BLO, put the hook under the back loop only. In the body this is always in a row with the right side facing: the front loop stays on the right side as a ridge, and the body folds along it, the ridge outside. In the lens and the shutter knob it turns the face into the side.
- 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).
- Whip stitch: put the needle through both edges from back to front, one stitch for each stitch or row, and draw the yarn snug.
- Backstitch: bring the needle up one stitch length ahead, go down where the last stitch ended, and so on, with no space between the stitches.
- For a longer strap begin with 16 more chains for every 4 in (10 cm). Every row then has 16 more stitches, and it takes about 3 yd (2.5 m) more of D and 1 yd (1 m) more of E.
- Colors. Body: Rows 1 to 10: B. Rows 11 to 48: A. Rows 49 to 58: B. Side: Rows 1 to 14: A. Rows 15 to 20: B. Lens: Rounds 1 to 2: C. Rounds 3 to 4: A. Round 5: B. Rounds 6 to 9: A. The lens ring is B, the flash E with an edge of A, the window A and the shutter knob D. The strap has a row of D, a row of E and a row of D.

Instructions

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 row is done. In UK terms sl st is slip stitch and sc is double crochet.

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Body

Yarns in order of use: B, silver gray; A, charcoal.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 29.	

Back of the top

☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(28 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 4**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(28 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 4: tick them off as you go.

2 3 4

Back

☐ **Row 5 (RS)**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(28 sc)**
☐ **Rows 6 to 10**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(28 sc)**

A box for each row, 6 to 10: tick them off as you go.

6 7 8 9 10

☐ **Row 11**	With A, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(28 sc)**
☐ **Rows 12 to 24**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(28 sc)**

A box for each row, 12 to 24: tick them off as you go.

12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24

Base

☐ **Row 25 (RS)**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(28 sc)**
☐ **Rows 26 to 34**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(28 sc)**

A box for each row, 26 to 34: tick them off as you go.

26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34

Front

☐ **Row 35 (RS)**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(28 sc)**
☐ **Rows 36 to 48**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(28 sc)**

A box for each row, 36 to 48: tick them off as you go.

36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48

☐ **Row 49**	With B, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(28 sc)**
☐ **Rows 50 to 54**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(28 sc)**

A box for each row, 50 to 54: tick them off as you go.

50 51 52 53 54

Front of the top

☐ **Row 55 (RS)**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	**(28 sc)**

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☐ **Rows 56 to 58**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(28 sc)**

A box for each row, 56 to 58: tick them off as you go.

56 57 58

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Side: make 2

Yarns in order of use: A, charcoal; B, silver gray.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 11.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 14**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(10 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 14: tick them off as you go.

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14

☐ **Row 15**	With B, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rows 16 to 20**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(10 sc)**

A box for each row, 16 to 20: tick them off as you go.

16 17 18 19 20

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Lens ring

Yarn B, silver gray.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	Sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sc in next 2 sts	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sc in next 3 sts	**(42 sc)**
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch to level the edge. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 36 in (91.5 cm).	

Lens

Yarns in order of use: C, teal; A, charcoal; B, silver gray.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	With A, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(18 sc)**

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☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	With B, sc in next st, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sc in next 2 sts	**(30 sc)**

Barrel

☐ **Rnd 6**	With A, sc in BLO of each st around	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 7 to 9**	Sc in each st around	**(30 sc)**

A box for each round, 7 to 9: tick them off as you go.

7 8 9

☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch to level the edge. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 30 in (76 cm).	

Flash

Yarn E, white.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 7.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(6 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 3: tick them off as you go.

2 3

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Edge of the flash

Yarn A, charcoal.

Join A with a slip stitch in the stitch of the last row at your right-hand corner. The first 3 sc of the round go into this same stitch. The round goes along the last row from right to left, down the row ends at the left, along the foundation chain and up the row ends at the right.

☐ **Foundation**	The flash just worked, 6 stitches and 3 rows; turn it so that its last row is at the top with the right side facing you.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in end of each of next 3 rows, 3 sc in next ch, sc in next 4 chs, 3 sc in next ch, sc in end of each of next 3 rows, sl st in first sc to join	**(26 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 24 in (61 cm).	

Window

Yarn A, charcoal.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 6.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(5 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 4**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(5 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 4: tick them off as you go.

2 3 4

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 18 in (46 cm).	

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Shutter knob

Yarn D, mustard.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 14 in (36 cm).	

Strap

Yarns in order of use: D, mustard; E, white.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 185.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(184 sc)**
☐ **Row 2**	With E, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(184 sc)**
☐ **Row 3**	With D, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(184 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Assembly

1. Weave in all the tails on the wrong side but the long tails of the lens ring, the lens, the edge of the flash, the window and the shutter knob.

2. Sew the parts of the face on while the body is flat. Lay the body down, right side up, so that the front of the top, the last row, is farthest from you: the front is rows 35 to 54, from the ridge at the base up to the ridge at the top. Pin the lens ring on it, right side up, its middle between the 14th and the 15th stitch of the rows and its lowest edge on row 36. Sew it down with its tail: bring the needle up through the ring one stitch in from its edge and down through the body beside the edge, one stitch for each of the 42 stitches. Fasten off on the wrong side.

3. Highlights of the lens, in E. Straight stitch: bring the needle up at the one end and put it down at the other. With 20 in (50 cm) of E work three straight stitches on the charcoal rounds of the face of the lens, its right side up: two close together, each ½ in (1.5 cm) long, along the rounds at the upper left, between the 10 and the 11 of a clock face, the one on round 3 and the other on round 4, and a third of ¼ in (0.5 cm), also along the rounds, on round 4 at the lower right, at the 4 of a clock face. Fasten off on the wrong side.

4. Push a small handful of stuffing into the lens, as much as fills the barrel without bulging its face. Pin the open end of the barrel to the middle of the lens ring, so that the same width of the ring shows all round, two rounds of it. With the tail of the lens whip stitch the 30 stitches of its last round to the ring, through the ring and the body beneath. Fasten off on the wrong side.

5. The flash goes on the silver rows at the top of the front at your right, 2 stitches in from the side edge of the body, its lowest edge on row 50 and its long edges level with the rows, right side up. It is 5 rows tall and so ends at row 54, the last row of the front, and it stays clear of the lens ring. The window goes on the silver rows at your left, 4 stitches in from the side edge, its foundation edge on row 50, right side up. Sew both down with their tails in the way the lens ring was sewn, one stitch for each stitch or row of their edges, and fasten off on the wrong side. With 12 in (30 cm) of E work one slanting straight stitch ½ in (1.5 cm) long across the middle of the window, from its lower left to its upper right, and fasten off on the wrong side.

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6. The zipper is 7 in (18 cm) long. Fold the tape beyond each of its ends under and fasten each fold with two stitches of sewing thread. Lay the zipper, pull up, under the last row of the body, right side up, the edge of the body beside the teeth, and pin it. With sewing thread backstitch it on through that row. Bring the foundation edge of the body to the other side of the zipper and sew it on in the same way. The body is now a tube, the right side out. Open the zipper half way.

7. Each side has 4 edges: the foundation chain goes to the base, the two ends of its rows to the back and the front, and its last row to the top. Right sides out, pin one side into each open end of the tube: the 10 chains to the 10 rows of the base, the 20 rows to the 20 rows of the back, the other 20 rows to the 20 rows of the front, and at the top the 4 stitches of the last row that are next to the back to the 4 rows of the back of the top, the 2 stitches in the middle under the end of the zipper, and the 4 stitches next to the front to the 4 rows of the front of the top. The silver of the sides meets the silver of the body.

8. For each side cut two lengths, 36 in (91.5 cm) of A and 24 in (61 cm) of B. Whip stitch with A, the right sides out, one stitch for each stitch or row: begin at the top of the 14 charcoal rows of the back with a tail of 4 in (10 cm), go down the back edge, across the 10 stitches of the base and up the 14 charcoal rows of the front. Fasten off and draw both ends to the inside. With B go on from there in the same way up the 6 silver rows of the front, across the 10 stitches of the top and down the 6 silver rows of the back; at the 2 stitches in the middle of the top pass the needle through the zipper tape. Fasten off and draw both ends to the inside.

9. The shutter knob goes on the front of the top, at your left when the lens faces you: its middle is 6 stitches in from the side edge and in the middle of the 4 rows. Put a little stuffing in it, pin its open end down and whip stitch its 12 stitches to the top with its tail, the needle through the top. Fasten off on the inside, which is reached through the zipper.

10. The strap is about 46 in (117 cm) long. Lay its last 1 in (2.5 cm) upright on the outside of one side, in the middle, 3½ stitches of the side to each side of it, so that it covers the top 5 rows and the rest of the strap points up. Cut 16 in (40 cm) of D and whip stitch round the four edges of that part, through the side only. Fasten off on the inside. Sew the other end to the other side in the same way; see that the strap is not twisted.

Finishing

- Push the corners out from the inside and pinch the four ridges, so that the box stands square.

In all: 9 pieces; 3,060 stitches.

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