Chunky bucket bag

Medium · US terms



Finished size
About 13¼ in (33.5 cm) wide laid flat and 9 in (23 cm) tall

Skill
Easy
It is worked in rounds, with increases in the base and chains over skipped stitches.

Yarn
Bulky (5), 3 colors

Hook
6.5 mm (US K-10 1/2)

Gauge
10 stitches and 11 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: peacock, main color	**about 175 yd (160 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: gold, contrast color	**about 45 yd (41 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: ivory, contrast color	**about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 6.5 mm (US K-10 1/2). 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. The estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Small	9½ in (24 cm) wide, 7 in (18 cm) tall	about 145 yd (133 m)
Medium (this file)	**13¼ in (33.5 cm) wide, 9 in (23 cm) tall**	**about 245 yd (224 m)**
Large	16¾ in (42.5 cm) wide, 11 in (28 cm) tall	about 365 yd (335 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)
BLO	back loop only
MR	magic ring
st	stitch
sp	space
sk	skip (UK miss)
rnd	round
RS	right side

Gauge

10 stitches and 11 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

If the piece measures more than that, begin again with a smaller hook; if it measures less, with a larger hook.

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 5 the base should measure about 3¾ in (9.5 cm) across, laid flat and not stretched.

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 are not joined: work in a spiral, and move a marker up to the first stitch of each round.
- The handle round makes two handles: each is a chain that passes over skipped stitches, and the next round works one stitch into the chain space for every chain.
- To change color, draw the new yarn through as the last yarn over of the stitch before. Cut the old yarn, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm). Where only one or two rounds are worked before the old yarn is used again, do not cut it: carry it loosely up the inside.
- About 13¼ in (33.5 cm) wide laid flat and 9 in (23 cm) tall, on a base about 8 in (20.5 cm) across. Each handle is about 16 in (40.5 cm) long.
- Colors, round by round. Rounds 1 to 13: A. Round 14: B. Round 15: C. Round 16: B. Rounds 17 to 19: A. Round 20: B. Round 21: C. Round 22: B. Rounds 23 to 25: A. Round 26: B. Round 27: C. Round 28: B. Rounds 29 to 36: A.

Instructions

Chosen: Medium. 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 and sk is miss.

Yarns in order of use: A, peacock; B, gold; C, ivory.

Round 12 is worked in the back loop only: put the hook under the back loop of each stitch alone. It turns the base up into the sides.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**

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☐ **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**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	**(30 sc)**

Stop and measure now, after round 5. After round 5 the base should measure about 3¾ in (9.5 cm) across.

☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	**[**Sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts**] 6 times**	**(54 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 10**	**[**Sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(60 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 11**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 9 sts**] 6 times**	**(66 sc)**

Sides

☐ **Rnd 12**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(66 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 13**	Sc in each st around	**(66 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 14**	With B, sc in each st around	**(66 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 15**	With C, sc in each st around	**(66 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 16**	With B, sc in each st around	**(66 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 17**	With A, sc in each st around	**(66 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 18 to 19**	Sc in each st around	**(66 sc)**

A box for each round, 18 to 19: tick them off as you go.

☐ 18 ☐ 19

☐ **Rnd 20**	With B, sc in each st around	**(66 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 21**	With C, sc in each st around	**(66 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 22**	With B, sc in each st around	**(66 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 23**	With A, sc in each st around	**(66 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 24 to 25**	Sc in each st around	**(66 sc)**

A box for each round, 24 to 25: tick them off as you go.

☐ 24 ☐ 25

☐ **Rnd 26**	With B, sc in each st around	**(66 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 27**	With C, sc in each st around	**(66 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 28**	With B, sc in each st around	**(66 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 29**	With A, sc in each st around	**(66 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 30**	Sc in each st around	**(66 sc)**

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☐ **Rnds 31 to 32**	Sc in each st around	**(66 sc)**

A box for each round, 31 to 32: tick them off as you go.

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☐ **Rnd 33**	Sc in next 11 sts, ch 40, sk next 11 sts, sc in next 22 sts, ch 40, sk next 11 sts, sc in next 11 sts	**(44 sc, 2 ch-40 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 34**	Sc in next 11 sts, 40 sc in next ch-40 sp, sc in next 22 sts, 40 sc in next ch-40 sp, sc in next 11 sts	**(124 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 35 to 36**	Sc in each st around	**(124 sc)**

A box for each round, 35 to 36: tick them off as you go.

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☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch to level the edge. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).

Finishing

- Weave every tail in on the inside.
- Weave the tail of the ring in round the middle of the base.

In all: 36 rounds; 2,198 stitches; 26 ends to weave in.

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