Doily drawstring bag

Small · US terms



Finished size
About 8½ in (21.5 cm) tall, with a round base about 7¼ in (18.5 cm) wide

Skill
Intermediate
Worked in rounds, with the stitches named

Yarn
Light (3), 2 colors

Hook
4 mm (US G-6)

Gauge
17 stitches to 4 in (10 cm)
In double crochet (UK treble).

What you need

Yarn A: cream — **about 90 yd (82 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: denim blue — **about 120 yd (110 m), an estimate**
By weight: about 85 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 250 yd (229 m).
Fiber: cotton
Hook: 4 mm (US G-6). Also: lining cotton in navy blue, about 24 in (60 cm) by 17 in (43 cm), or 36 in (90 cm) by 23 in (58 cm) for the Large size, a sewing needle, sewing thread, a piece of card 3 in (7.5 cm) wide, a yarn needle, scissors and a tape measure.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Small (this file)	**8½ in (21.5 cm) tall, 7¼ in (18.5 cm) wide**	**about 210 yd (192 m)**
Large	11¼ in (28.5 cm) tall, 10¾ in (27.5 cm) wide	about 380 yd (347 m)

Gauge

17 stitches to 4 in (10 cm) in double crochet.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After round 4 the piece should measure about 3¾ in (9.5 cm) across, laid flat.

Use any hook that gives you this. If you count more stitches than this in 4 in (10 cm), change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, to a smaller one.

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Instructions

Small. US terms.

ch chain, **dc** double crochet (UK tr), **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK dc), **beg** beginning, **dc2tog** 2 dc made into one, **sk** skip, **st** stitch.

2 dc in next dc: **both in one stitch**. **ch-1 sp**: the hole under the chain. The hook goes in the hole, never into a chain.

Do not turn: the outside faces you all the time. Ch 3 (counts as dc): it is the first dc; its top is the third chain. **Working in the round**

[ ] 5 times: 5 times in all. (12 dc, 6 ch-1 sps): the round now has that many; a check, not a step. **How to read a pattern**

Also: sp space, yo yarn over.

Every stitch, drawn: flossfield.com/crochet/stitches.

Special stitches

beg-dc2tog (Beginning decrease): Ch 2, dc in next st (counts as dc2tog). The join at the end of the round goes in the top of this dc.

☐ **Start**	With A, make a magic ring. *Magic ring: wrap the yarn round two fingers, work the first round into the loop, then pull the tail to close it. Ch 4 joined into a ring with a sl st does as well.*

Base, a flower of six petals. The petals widen.

☐ **Round 1**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in ring, ch 1, **[**2 dc in ring, ch 1**] 5 times**, pull the tail to close it, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3	(12 dc, 6 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Round 2**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same st, 2 dc in next dc, ch 1, **[**2 dc in each of next 2 dc, ch 1**] 5 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3	(24 dc, 6 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Round 3**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same st, dc in each of next 2 dc, 2 dc in next dc, ch 1, **[**2 dc in next dc, dc in each of next 2 dc, 2 dc in next dc, ch 1**] 5 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3	(36 dc, 6 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Round 4**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same st, dc in each of next 4 dc, 2 dc in next dc, ch 1, **[**2 dc in next dc, dc in each of next 4 dc, 2 dc in next dc, ch 1**] 5 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3	(48 dc, 6 ch-1 sps)

> **Stop and measure now, after round 4.** The piece should measure about 3¾ in (9.5 cm) across, laid flat. Larger? Begin again with a smaller hook. Smaller? A larger hook.

The petals narrow to their tips, and mesh fills the room between them.

☐ **Round 5**	Beg-dc2tog, dc in each of next 4 dc, dc2tog over next 2 sts, ch 2, dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 2, **[**dc2tog over next 2 sts, dc in each of next 4 dc, dc2tog over next 2 sts, ch 2, dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 2**] 5 times**, join with sl st in top of beg-dc2tog	(30 dc, 12 dc2tog, 12 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Round 6**	Beg-dc2tog, dc in each of next 2 sts, dc2tog over next 2 sts, ch 2, [dc in next ch-2 sp, ch 2] twice, **[**dc2tog over next 2 sts, dc in each of next 2 sts, dc2tog over next 2 sts, ch 2, [dc in next ch-2 sp, ch 2] twice**] 5 times**, join with sl st in top of beg-dc2tog	(24 dc, 12 dc2tog, 18 ch-2 sps)

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☐ **Round 7**

Beg-dc2tog, dc2tog over next 2 sts, ch 3, **[**dc in next ch-2 sp, ch 3**] 3 times**,
[dc2tog over next 2 sts, dc2tog over next 2 sts, ch 3,
[dc in next ch-2 sp, ch 3**] 3 times] 5 times**,
join with sl st in top of beg-dc2tog (18 dc, 12 dc2tog, 24 ch-3 sps)

The next round closes each petal and makes the rim of the base.

☐ **Round 8**

Beg-dc2tog, 3 dc in next ch-3 sp, **[**dc in next dc, 3 dc in next ch-3 sp**] 3 times**,
[dc2tog over next 2 sts, 3 dc in next ch-3 sp,
[dc in next dc, 3 dc in next ch-3 sp**] 3 times] 5 times**,
join with sl st in top of beg-dc2tog. Fasten off A (90 dc, 6 dc2tog)

Wall. No round is wider than the rim of the base, so the work turns up and stands.

☐ **Round 9**

Join B with sl st in any dc2tog, ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in same st, ch 1, sk next 3 sts,
[3 dc in next st, ch 1, sk next 3 sts**] 23 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3
(72 dc, 24 ch-1 sps)

☐ **Rounds 10 to 11**

Sl st in each of next 2 dc, sl st in next ch-1 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in same sp,
ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 23 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3
(72 dc, 24 ch-1 sps)

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☐ **Round 12**

Sl st in each of next 2 dc, sl st in next ch-1 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in same sp,
ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 23 times**,
join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off B (72 dc, 24 ch-1 sps)

☐ **Round 13**

Join A with sl st in any ch-1 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in same sp, ch 1,
[3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 23 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off A
(72 dc, 24 ch-1 sps)

☐ **Round 14**

Join B with sl st in any ch-1 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in same sp, ch 1,
[3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 23 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3 (72 dc, 24 ch-1 sps)

☐ **Rounds 15 to 18**

Sl st in each of next 2 dc, sl st in next ch-1 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in same sp,
ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 23 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3
(72 dc, 24 ch-1 sps)

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☐ **Round 19**

Sl st in each of next 2 dc, sl st in next ch-1 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in same sp,
ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 23 times**,
join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off B (72 dc, 24 ch-1 sps)

☐ **Round 20**

Join A with sl st in any ch-1 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in same sp, ch 1,
[3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 23 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off A
(72 dc, 24 ch-1 sps)

☐ **Round 21**

Join B with sl st in any ch-1 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in same sp, ch 1,
[3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 23 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3 (72 dc, 24 ch-1 sps)

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☐ **Rounds 22 to 23**	Sl st in each of next 2 dc, sl st in next ch-1 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in same sp, ch 1, **[**3 dc in next ch-1 sp, ch 1**] 23 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3	(72 dc, 24 ch-1 sps)

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Top

☐ **Round 24**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in each of next 2 dc, dc in next ch-1 sp, **[**dc in each of next 3 dc, dc in next ch-1 sp**] 23 times**, join with sl st in top of beg ch-3	(96 dc)

Draw round: the cords go through the spaces of the next round.

☐ **Round 25**	Ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1), sk next dc, **[**dc in next dc, ch 1, sk next dc**] 47 times**, join with sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-4	(48 dc, 48 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Round 26**	Ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next ch-1 sp, **[**sc in next dc, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 47 times**, join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off B	(96 sc)
☐ **Round 27**	Join A with sl st in first sc, ch 1, sc in same st, sk next 2 sc, 5 dc in next sc, sk next 2 sc, **[**sc in next sc, sk next 2 sc, 5 dc in next sc, sk next 2 sc**] 15 times**, join with sl st in first sc	(80 dc, 16 sc)
☐	Fasten off.	

Assembly

1. Weave in all ends of the bag on the wrong side.

2. Cord (make 2): with A, ch 170 for the Small size, about 34 in (86 cm), or ch 230 for the Large size, about 46 in (117 cm). Fasten off and leave the ends 3 in (7.5 cm) long.

3. Lining: cut a circle 8 in (20 cm) wide for the Small size or 11½ in (29 cm) for the Large, and a strip of the same cotton 23 in (58.5 cm) long and 8¼ in (21 cm) wide for the Small size or 34 in (86.5 cm) long and 11 in (28 cm) wide for the Large. Fold the strip, right sides together, and sew its short ends to each other ½ in (12 mm) from the edge. Sew one open edge of this tube to the circle, right sides together, ½ in (12 mm) from the edge. Fold the other edge of the tube ½ in (12 mm) to the wrong side and press it.

4. Put the lining into the bag, wrong side of the lining to wrong side of the crochet, and sew its folded edge by hand with the sewing thread, in small stitches, to the tops of the dc of the round just below the draw round, round 24 for the Small size or round 34 for the Large. The cords must run free above it.

5. First cord: choose any ch-1 sp of the draw round as space 1. From the outside go in at space 1 and out at the next space, and so on, in and out all the way round. The cord comes out at the last space, beside space 1. Second cord: begin half way round, going in at space 25 for the Small size or space 37 for the Large, in and out all the way round, and come out at the space just before it. Draw the two ends of each cord even.

6. Tassel (make 4): wind B 14 times round the card. Slip a piece of B 10 in (25 cm) long under the winds at one edge and tie it tightly; cut the winds at the other edge. Bind a second piece of B 10 in (25 cm) long round the tassel three times, ½ in (12 mm) below the tie, knot it and let its ends hang with the rest. Knot the two ends of the tie of one tassel to the 3 in (7.5 cm) end of yarn at each end of the cords, close up to the cord, and with the needle draw these three ends down through the middle of the tassel. Last, trim the tassel and the ends in it together, 2 in (5 cm) below the tie.

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Finishing

- Pull the cords at both sides to close the bag.

In all: 27 rounds; 1,740 stitches.

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.

Notes

- Every round is worked with the right side facing; do not turn.
- A beginning chain counts as the stitch in brackets after it. A ch 1 at the start of a round does not count as a stitch.
- When the next stitch or space of a kind is named, pass over anything else that comes before it. Work into a space round the chain, not into it.
- The sl sts at the start of a round carry the yarn to where the round begins; they are not counted.
- Join a new color with a sl st in the place named. Fasten off a color only where the round says so; where it does not, the same color goes on into the next round.
- In the wall the 3 dc of a group stand in one ch-1 sp of the round below, and a ch 1 stands over the middle of each group below.
- The first stitch of a round whose petals narrow is a beg-dc2tog: its ch 2 stands over the stitch you joined in and its dc goes in the next stitch, so that the first two stitches of the petal become one.
- In the last round of the base each dc2tog joins the two sts at the tip of a petal. Where B is joined in a dc2tog, that is such a tip; in that round "st" means the dc and the dc2tog alike.

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