Mushroom drawstring pouch

Small · US terms



Finished size
About 3½ in (9 cm) across the stem and 5¼ in (13.5 cm) tall without the cap, with a cap about 5½ in (14 cm) across

Skill
Easy
It is rounds of single crochet, with three rounds of grass in two colors and small circles to sew on.

Yarn
Medium (4), 3 colors

Hook
4 mm (US G-6)

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

You will need

Yarn A: cream, the stem, the spots and the cord	**about 95 yd (87 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: mushroom red, the cap	**about 75 yd (69 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: moss green, the grass	**about 30 yd (27 m), an estimate**

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 4 mm (US G-6), 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	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Small (this file)	**3½ in (9 cm) across, 5¼ in (13.5 cm) tall**	**about 200 yd (183 m)**
Medium	4½ in (11.5 cm) across, 6½ in (16.5 cm) tall	about 295 yd (270 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)
sc2tog	single crochet 2 stitches together: [insert hook in next st, yo, pull up a loop] 2 times, yo, pull through all 3 loops (UK dc2tog)
MR	magic ring
st	stitch
sp	space
sk	skip (UK miss)
rnd	round
RS	right side
yo	yarn over (UK yrh, yarn round hook)

Gauge

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

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 8 the base should measure about 3½ in (9 cm) across, 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

- 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.
- Tapestry crochet: where two or more colors share a round, lay the color or colors of that round not in use along the top of the round before and work over them, all the way round, so that they are carried inside the stitches.
- In rounds of one color nothing is carried.
- To change color, at the start of a round or inside it, draw the new yarn through as the last yarn over of the stitch before. Where two or more colors share a round, cut nothing at a change: the color you leave is carried. A color that is not used in the next round is cut at the end of the round, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).
- In round 4 of the cap two holes are left for the cord. In round 5 work one single crochet into each of the two chain spaces, as into a stitch.
- Colors of the stem, round by round. Rounds 1 to 10: C. Rounds 11 to 13: A and C. Rounds 14 to 32: A.

Instructions

Chosen: Small. 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, sc2tog is dc2tog and sk is miss.

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Stem

Yarns in order of use: C, moss green; A, cream.

☐ **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)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	**[**Sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(48 sc)**

> **Stop and measure now, after round 8.** The base should measure about 3½ in (9 cm) across.

Grass

☐ **Rnds 9 to 10**	Sc in each st around	**(48 sc)**

A box for each round, 9 to 10: tick them off as you go.

☐ 9 ☐ 10

☐ **Rnd 11**	**[**With C, sc in next 5 sts, with A, sc in next st**] 8 times**	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 12**	**[**With A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 2 sts**] 8 times**	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 13**	**[**With A, sc in next 2 sts, with C, sc in next st, with A, sc in next 3 sts**] 8 times**	**(48 sc)**

Stem

☐ **Rnds 14 to 28**	Sc in each st around	**(48 sc)**

A box for each round, 14 to 28: tick them off as you go.

☐ 14 ☐ 15 ☐ 16 ☐ 17 ☐ 18 ☐ 19 ☐ 20 ☐ 21 ☐ 22 ☐ 23 ☐ 24 ☐ 25 ☐ 26 ☐ 27 ☐ 28

Neck

☐ **Rnd 29**	Sc in next st, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 11 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in next 2 sts	**(36 sc, 12 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 30**	Sc in next st, **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next 3 sts**] 11 times**, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next 2 sts	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 31 to 32**	Sc in each st around	**(48 sc)**

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

☐ 31 ☐ 32

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

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Cap

Yarn B, mushroom red.

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☐ **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 8 sts, ch 1, sk next st**] 2 times**	**(16 sc, 2 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next st, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 2 times**	**(24 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**Sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(30 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sc in next 2 sts	**(36 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 8**	**[**Sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	Sc in each st around	**(42 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 10**	**[**Sc in next 6 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 11**	Sc in each st around	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 12**	**[**Sc in next 7 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(54 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 13**	Sc in each st around	**(54 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 14**	**[**Sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(60 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 15 to 16**	Sc in each st around	**(60 sc)**

A box for each round, 15 to 16: tick them off as you go.

15 16

☐ **Rnd 17**	Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st, **[**sc in next 9 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 5 times**, sc in next 5 sts	**(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**	**[**Sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	**(72 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 21 to 22**	Sc in each st around	**(72 sc)**

A box for each round, 21 to 22: tick them off as you go.

21 22

Edge

☐ **Rnd 23**	**[**Sc in next 10 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(66 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 24**	**[**Sc in next 9 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**	**(60 sc)**
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch to level the edge. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

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Large spot: make 3

Yarn A, cream.

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☐ **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)**
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 20 in (51 cm) to sew with.	

Middle spot: make 3

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	**(12 sc)**
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 16 in (40.5 cm) to sew with.	

Small spot: make 6

Yarn A, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR	**(6 sc)**
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 12 in (30.5 cm) to sew with.	

Assembly

1. Weave in the tails at the middle of each spot on its wrong side. Lay the cap with its right side out.

2. Pin the three large and the three middle spots to the right side of the cap with their middles on round 13, large and middle by turns, and 9 stitches of round 13 from the middle of one to the middle of the next: the first in line with one of the two holes near the top of the cap. Sew each down round its edge with its own tail, one small stitch over the edge for each of its stitches.

3. Pin the six small spots with their middles on round 21, each below the space between two spots of the upper ring. There are 12 stitches of round 21 from the middle of one to the middle of the next. Sew them down in the same way. Weave in all the tails of the cap on the inside.

4. For the cord, with A, chain 200. Slip stitch in the 2nd chain from the hook and in each chain to the end, 199 slip stitches (UK slip stitch). Fasten off with a tail of 6 in (15 cm) at each end. The cord is about 37¾ in (96 cm) long.

5. The end of the last round marks the middle of the back of the stem, and the middle of the front is straight across from it. Find the two neighboring spaces that have the middle of the front between them, out of the 12 chain-1 spaces. Take one end of the cord in from the outside through one of the two, out through the next space on the side away from the other, in through the one after that, and so on all round the stem. It comes out last through the other of the two, so that both ends hang side by side at the middle of the front.

6. Take the two ends of the cord up through the cap from the inside, one through each of its two holes. Knot each end and trim its tail to about ½ in (1.5 cm).

7. Draw the cord up to close the neck, push the cap down the cord until it lies over the neck, with its edge below the

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round of spaces, and tie the two ends in a bow on top of the cap.

Finishing

- Weave all the tails that are left in on the inside.

In all: 14 pieces; 2,704 stitches (1,356 in the stem, 1,150 in the cap, 36 in each large spot, 18 in each middle spot, 6 in each small spot).

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