Ribbed belt bag

Short belt · US terms



Finished size

About 9 in (23 cm) wide, 6 in (15 cm) tall without the belt and 1½ in (4 cm) deep, the belt about 38 in (96.5 cm) long, for a waist or hip of 26 to 33 in (66 to 84 cm)

Skill

Intermediate

It is shaped in rows and sewn together from several pieces.

Yarn

Medium (4), 2 colors

Hook

4.5 mm (US 7)

Gauge

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

In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn A: oat, the panels and the flap **about 150 yd (137 m), an estimate**

Yarn B: cognac, the edges, the gusset, the carriers and the belt **about 125 yd (114 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 140 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 4.5 mm (US 7), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a yarn needle, scissors, pins, a button about 1 in (2.5 cm) across, with sewing thread and a sewing needle and two round metal rings about 1½ in (4 cm) across inside.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Short belt (this file)	**9 in (23 cm) wide, 6 in (15 cm) tall**	**about 275 yd (251 m)**
Long belt	9 in (23 cm) wide, 6 in (15 cm) tall	about 290 yd (265 m)

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Gauge

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

Both are counted in rows through the back loop only, as on the swatch: two rows make one rib.

> **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.
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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 BLO of each st across	(24 sc)

Instructions

Short belt. US terms.

sc single crochet (UK dc), **ch** chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **BLO** only the loop away from you, **sc2tog** 2 sc made into one, **sk** skip, **st** stitch.

ch-4 sp: the hole under four chains. The hook goes in the hole, never into a chain.

The ch 1 is not a stitch. Work in the **very first stitch**.

[ ] 2 times: 2 times in all. (14 sc): the row now has 14; a check, not a step. **How to read a pattern**

Also: sp space, RS right side, yo yarn over.

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

Panel: make 2

Yarn A, oat.

The start of every odd row is at the straight top edge, its end at the lower edge, where all the shaping is.

☐ **Start**	Ch 13.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(12 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in BLO of each of next 2 sts, sc in BLO of next 10 sts	(14 sc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of next 12 sts, 2 sc in BLO of each of next 2 sts	(16 sc)
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in BLO of next st, sc in BLO of next 15 sts	(17 sc)
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of next 16 sts, 2 sc in BLO of next st	(18 sc)
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in BLO of next st, sc in BLO of next 17 sts	(19 sc)
☐ **Row 7**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of next 18 sts, 2 sc in BLO of next st	(20 sc)
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in BLO of next st, sc in BLO of next 19 sts	(21 sc)
☐ **Row 9**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	(21 sc)
☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in BLO of next st, sc in BLO of next 20 sts	(22 sc)

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☐ **Rows 11 to 29**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29	(22 sc)
☐ **Row 30**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in BLO of next 20 sts	(21 sc)
☐ **Row 31**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	(21 sc)
☐ **Row 32**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in BLO of next 19 sts	(20 sc)
☐ **Row 33**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of next 18 sts, sc2tog	(19 sc)
☐ **Row 34**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in BLO of next 17 sts	(18 sc)
☐ **Row 35**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of next 16 sts, sc2tog	(17 sc)
☐ **Row 36**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in BLO of next 15 sts	(16 sc)
☐ **Row 37**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of next 12 sts, **[**sc2tog**] 2 times**	(14 sc)
☐ **Row 38**	Ch 1, turn; **[**sc2tog**] 2 times**, sc in BLO of next 10 sts	(12 sc)
☐	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Panel edging: make 2

Yarn B, cognac.

Work one edging round each panel. Hold the panel with the right side facing you and its top edge up. Join B with a slip stitch at the top of the side edge at your left (at your right if you work left-handed), and work down that side first. The first single crochet goes into the same place. The straight side with the foundation chain and the one with row 38 are worked into like any stitches.

☐ **Start**	The edge of a panel, RS facing: 100 places, 12 in the stitches of one side, 42 in the ends of the 38 rows along the lower edge (1 in each row, but 2 in each of rows 2, 3, 36 and 37), 12 in the stitches of the other side, and 34 in the ends of the rows along the top edge (1 in each row, but none in rows 5, 15, 24 and 34).	
☐ **Round 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(100 sc)
☐	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Gusset

Yarn B, cognac.

☐ **Start**	Ch 67.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(66 sc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 7**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across 2 3 4 5 6 7	(66 sc)
☐	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

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Flap

Yarn A, oat.

Here too the start of every odd row is at the straight top edge, and the buttonhole comes near the lower edge, in the middle.

☐ **Start**	Ch 13.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(12 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in BLO of each of next 2 sts, sc in BLO of next 10 sts	(14 sc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of next 12 sts, 2 sc in BLO of each of next 2 sts	(16 sc)
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in BLO of next st, sc in BLO of next 15 sts	(17 sc)
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of next 16 sts, 2 sc in BLO of next st	(18 sc)
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in BLO of next st, sc in BLO of next 17 sts	(19 sc)
☐ **Row 7**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	(19 sc)
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn; 2 sc in BLO of next st, sc in BLO of next 18 sts	(20 sc)
☐ **Rows 9 to 18**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	(20 sc)
9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18		
☐ **Row 19**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of next 14 sts, ch 4, sk next 4 sts, sc in BLO of next 2 sts	(16 sc, 1 ch-4 sp)
☐ **Row 20**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of next 2 sts, 4 sc in next ch-4 sp, sc in BLO of next 14 sts	(20 sc)
☐ **Rows 21 to 29**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	(20 sc)
21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29		
☐ **Row 30**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in BLO of next 18 sts	(19 sc)
☐ **Row 31**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	(19 sc)
☐ **Row 32**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in BLO of next 17 sts	(18 sc)
☐ **Row 33**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of next 16 sts, sc2tog	(17 sc)
☐ **Row 34**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in BLO of next 15 sts	(16 sc)
☐ **Row 35**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of next 12 sts, **[**sc2tog**] 2 times**	(14 sc)
☐ **Row 36**	Ch 1, turn; **[**sc2tog**] 2 times**, sc in BLO of next 10 sts	(12 sc)
☐	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

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Flap edging

Yarn B, cognac.

Begin and work as for the panel edging.

☐ **Start**	The edge of the flap, RS facing: 96 places, 12 in the stitches of one side, 40 in the ends of the 36 rows along the lower edge (1 in each row, but 2 in each of rows 2, 3, 34 and 35), 12 in the stitches of the other side, and 32 in the ends of the rows along the top edge (1 in each row, but none in rows 5, 14, 23 and 32).	
☐ **Round 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(96 sc)
☐	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 32 in (81.5 cm) to sew the flap on.	

Belt carrier: make 2

Yarn B, cognac.

☐ **Start**	Ch 6.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(5 sc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 11**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(5 sc)
	2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11	
☐	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 12 in (30 cm) for sewing.	

Belt

Yarn B, cognac.

☐ **Start**	Ch 153.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(152 sc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 5**	Ch 1, turn; sc in BLO of each st across	(152 sc)
	2 3 4 5	
☐	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 12 in (30 cm) to sew the rings in.	

Assembly

1. Weave in all the tails that are not used for sewing, on the wrong side. Both panels are alike: one is the front, the other the back.

2. The gusset. It has 66 stitches along each long edge. Pin one long edge to the edge of the front, wrong sides facing: one end of the gusset at the top of one side, along that side, the lower edge and the other side to the top; the 34 stitches along the top edge stay free, and the two short ends of the gusset lie level with them. Cut a length of B about 60 in (152.5 cm) long and whip stitch the two edges together, stitch to stitch, 66 stitches, beginning with a tail of 6 in (15 cm). Sew the other long edge of the gusset to the back in the same way with another such length.

3. The flap. Lay the bag with the outside of the back facing you. Hold the flap, right side facing you, above it, so that the flap goes on upward from the back. Whip stitch its 32 top stitches to the top edge of the back, stitch to stitch, the edges meeting, with the long tail of the flap edging; 1 of the 34 stitches of the back stays free at each end. Fold the flap over the opening to the front.

4. The belt carriers. On the outside of the back, lay the two carriers upright, their rows one above another, with 4 in (10 cm) between them and equal room on their outer sides, and their upper ends on the 4th stitch below the top

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edging. Sew each down along its upper and its lower end only, with the long tail at one end and a new length of B, 12 in (30 cm), at the other, so that the belt can slide through behind it.

5. The button. Lay the flap down over the front. With sewing thread, sew the button to the front panel under the middle of the buttonhole.

6. The belt is about 38 in (96.5 cm) long. Put the end with the long tail through both metal rings, fold 1 in (2.5 cm) of it back over them to the wrong side and whip stitch it down with that tail, through the wrong side only. Slide the other end, the plain one, through both carriers, with the right side of the belt next to the back of the bag.

7. To close the belt, put it round you. The two rings lie one on the other: the inner ring is next to your body, the outer ring away from it. Put the plain end through both rings from the side next to your body, fold it back over the rim of the outer ring, and put it back through the inner ring only, so that it comes out between the inner ring and the belt. Pull it snug.

Finishing

- Weave in on the inside the ends left from sewing.

In all: 7 pieces; 3,806 stitches (756 in each panel, 100 in each panel edging, 462 in the gusset, 666 in the flap, 96 in the flap edging, 55 in each belt carrier, 760 in the belt).

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.

Notes

- 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. The piece is turned at every row, so the front loops left free make ridges on both sides of it.
- sc2tog is worked under both loops. The panels and the flap look alike on both sides; mark the side that faces you in row 1 as the right side with a thread.
- The two panels are alike; neither is a mirror of the other.
- For a belt of another length begin with 16 more or fewer chains for every 4 in (10 cm). The belt should be 5 in (12.5 cm) longer than the girth it goes round, to fold over the rings and to hold in them. For every 4 in (10 cm) more, the belt takes about 4½ yd (4 m) more of B.
- Whip stitch: put the needle through both edges from back to front, one stitch for each stitch or row, and draw the yarn snug.

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