Ridge stripe everyday bag

US terms



Finished size
About 12½ in (31.5 cm) wide laid flat and 9 in (23 cm) tall, with a strap about 24½ in (62 cm) long

Skill
Easy
It is worked in rounds, with increases in the base.

Yarn
Medium (4), 3 colors

Hook
5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge
14 stitches and 15 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet.

You will need

Yarn A: ink, main color	**about 225 yd (206 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: clay, contrast color	**about 45 yd (41 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: cream, contrast color	**about 60 yd (55 m), an estimate**

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8). 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.

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
st	stitch
rnd	round
RS	right side

Gauge

14 stitches and 15 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 11¼ in (28.5 cm) long, laid flat and not stretched.

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Before you start

- Round 1 is worked along both sides of the foundation chain: along one side, 3 stitches in the last chain, then back along the other side.
- The rounds 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.
- For a longer strap begin with more chains: for every 4 in (10 cm) you want to add, as many more chains as the gauge has stitches in 4 in (10 cm). Every row then has as many more stitches.
- Where the pattern says BLO, put the hook under the back loop only; the front loop stays on the outside as a ridge.
- Carry A up the inside past the two rounds of each stripe. Cut B and C after each of their stripes.
- 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.
- Colors, round by round. Rounds 1 to 7: A. Rounds 8 to 9: C. Rounds 10 to 11: A. Rounds 12 to 13: B. Rounds 14 to 15: A. Rounds 16 to 17: C. Rounds 18 to 19: A. Rounds 20 to 21: B. Rounds 22 to 23: A. Rounds 24 to 25: C. Rounds 26 to 27: A. Rounds 28 to 29: B. Rounds 30 to 31: A. Rounds 32 to 33: C. Rounds 34 to 39: A.

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 round is done. In UK terms sc is double crochet.

Bag

Yarns in order of use: A, ink; C, cream; B, clay.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 32.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 29 chs, 3 sc in last ch, working along the other side of the foundation ch, sc in next 29 chs, 2 sc in last ch	**(64 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 29 sts, 2 sc in each of next 3 sts, sc in next 29 sts, 2 sc in each of next 2 sts	**(70 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	2 sc in next st, sc in next st, sc in next 29 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 3 times**, sc in next 29 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(76 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 29 sts, **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 3 times**, sc in next 29 sts, **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 2 times**	**(82 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 5**	2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts, sc in next 29 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 3 times**, sc in next 29 sts, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 2 times**	**(88 sc)**

Stop and measure now, after round 5. After round 5 the base should measure about 11¼ in (28.5 cm) long and 2¾ in (7 cm) wide.

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Sides

☐ **Rnds 6 to 7**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**

A box for each round, 6 to 7: tick them off as you go.

6 7

☐ **Rnd 8**	With C, sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 9**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 10**	With A, sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 11**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 12**	With B, sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 13**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 14**	With A, sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 15**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 16**	With C, sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 17**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 18**	With A, sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 19**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 20**	With B, sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 21**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 22**	With A, sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 23**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 24**	With C, sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 25**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 26**	With A, sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 27**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 28**	With B, sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 29**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 30**	With A, sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 31**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 32**	With C, sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 33**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 34**	With A, sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 35**	Sc in BLO of each st around	**(88 sc)**

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Top

☐ **Rnds 36 to 39**	Sc in each st around	**(88 sc)**

A box for each round, 36 to 39: tick them off as you go.

36 37 38 39

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

Strap

Yarn A, ink.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 87.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(86 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 6**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(86 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 6: tick them off as you go.

2 3 4 5 6

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 12 in (30 cm) to sew one end. To sew the other end, cut a new length of the same yarn, also 12 in (30 cm).	

Putting it together

The strap is about 24½ in (62 cm) long. Sew its ends to the inside of the bag at the two ends of the oval, over the top 4 rounds.

Finishing

- Weave every tail in on the inside.

In all: 2 pieces; 3,888 stitches (3,372 in the bag, 516 in the strap); 32 ends to weave in.

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