Striped plastic bag holder

US terms



Finished size
About 13¾ in (35 cm) round and 12¾ in (32.5 cm) long

Skill
Easy
It is a tube worked in rounds.

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: brick, main color	**about 100 yd (91 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: cream, contrast color	**about 50 yd (46 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: olive, contrast color	**about 45 yd (41 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
sl st	slip stitch (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc	single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
st	stitch
sp	space
sk	skip (UK miss)
rnd	round
RS	right side

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Gauge

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

There should be 14 stitches; rows worked back and forth are not quite as tall as rounds, so go by the stitches. 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.

> **The swatch.** A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. Work a swatch before you begin: ch 22; row 1, sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across (21 sc); rows 2 to 22, ch 1, turn, sc in each st across (21 sc). Lay it flat and count the stitches and rows over 4 in (10 cm) in its middle.
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> | **Swatch foundation** | Ch 22. | |
> | **Swatch row 1 (RS)** | Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across | **(21 sc)** |
> | **Swatch rows 2 to 22** | Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across | **(21 sc)** |

Before you start

- Join the foundation chain into a ring with a slip stitch, and take care that it is not twisted. Work the first single crochet of round 1 into the first chain, the one that has the slip stitch in it, and one into each of the other chains; the slip stitch itself is not worked into.
- 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, or of round 1, does not count as a stitch.
- To change color, draw the new yarn through as the last yarn over of the stitch before. Cut the old yarn at each change, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).
- Colors, round by round. Rounds 1 to 7: A. Rounds 8 to 10: B. Rounds 11 to 16: C. Rounds 17 to 19: B. Rounds 20 to 27: A. Rounds 28 to 30: B. Rounds 31 to 36: C. Rounds 37 to 39: B. Rounds 40 to 48: 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 sl st is slip stitch, sc is double crochet and sk is miss.

Tube

Yarns in order of use: A, brick; B, cream; C, olive.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 48, sl st in first ch to form a ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, sc in each ch around	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Sc in each st around	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	**[**Sc in next 5 sts, ch 1, sk next st**] 8 times**	**(40 sc, 8 ch-1 sps)**
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**Sc in next 5 sts, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 8 times**	**(48 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 5 to 7**	Sc in each st around	**(48 sc)**

A box for each round, 5 to 7: tick them off as you go.

☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7

☐ **Rnd 8**	With B, sc in each st around	**(48 sc)**

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☐ **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 each st around **(48 sc)**

☐ **Rnds 12 to 16** Sc in each st around **(48 sc)**

A box for each round, 12 to 16: tick them off as you go.

12 13 14 15 16

☐ **Rnd 17** With B, sc in each st around **(48 sc)**

☐ **Rnds 18 to 19** Sc in each st around **(48 sc)**

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

18 19

☐ **Rnd 20** With A, sc in each st around **(48 sc)**

☐ **Rnds 21 to 27** Sc in each st around **(48 sc)**

A box for each round, 21 to 27: tick them off as you go.

21 22 23 24 25 26 27

☐ **Rnd 28** With B, sc in each st around **(48 sc)**

☐ **Rnds 29 to 30** Sc in each st around **(48 sc)**

A box for each round, 29 to 30: tick them off as you go.

29 30

☐ **Rnd 31** With C, sc in each st around **(48 sc)**

☐ **Rnds 32 to 36** Sc in each st around **(48 sc)**

A box for each round, 32 to 36: tick them off as you go.

32 33 34 35 36

☐ **Rnd 37** With B, sc in each st around **(48 sc)**

☐ **Rnds 38 to 39** Sc in each st around **(48 sc)**

A box for each round, 38 to 39: tick them off as you go.

38 39

☐ **Rnd 40** With A, sc in each st around **(48 sc)**

☐ **Rnds 41 to 44** Sc in each st around **(48 sc)**

A box for each round, 41 to 44: tick them off as you go.

41 42 43 44

☐ **Rnd 45** **[**Sc in next 5 sts, ch 1, sk next st**] 8 times** **(40 sc, 8 ch-1 sps)**

☐ **Rnd 46** **[**Sc in next 5 sts, sc in next ch-1 sp**] 8 times** **(48 sc)**

☐ **Rnds 47 to 48** Sc in each st around **(48 sc)**

A box for each round, 47 to 48: tick them off as you go.

47 48

☐ **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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Hanging loop

Yarn A, brick.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 27.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(26 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(26 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 3: tick them off as you go.

2 3

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 14 in (36 cm) to sew one end. To sew the other end, cut a new length of the same yarn, also 14 in (36 cm).

Assembly

1. The last round is the top edge and the foundation chain the bottom edge. Fold the hanging loop in half. At the place where the last round ends, lay the two ends of the loop side by side against the inside of the tube, over the last three rounds and above the round of spaces, so that the loop stands up over the edge. Sew each end down round its edges.

2. For each of two cords, with B, ch 70, about 16 in (40.5 cm) long, and fasten off with a tail of 6 in (15 cm) at each end. Thread one cord in and out through each round of spaces, so that both its ends come out beside each other on the outside. Draw the bottom cord in until a hand just goes through, and the top one to match. Tie each in a bow, knot the ends and trim their tails.

Finishing

- Weave every tail that is left in on the inside.

In all: 2 pieces; 2,366 stitches (2,288 in the tube, 78 in the hanging loop); 20 ends to weave in.

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