Striped phone bag with a pocket

Small · US terms



Finished size
About 3½ in (9 cm) wide laid flat and 6¾ in (17 cm) tall, with about 45¼ in (115 cm) of strap between its sewn ends

Skill
Easy
It is worked in rounds from a chain, with a pocket, a tab and a strap in rows.

Yarn
Medium (4), 4 colors

Hook
4.5 mm (US 7)

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

You will need

Yarn A: cream, stripes	**about 35 yd (32 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: mustard, bag, rounds 7 to 9, bag, rounds 22 to 24 and the tab	**about 20 yd (18 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: rust, stripes	**about 40 yd (37 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: teal, stripes	**about 35 yd (32 m), an estimate**

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 4.5 mm (US 7), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a stitch marker, a yarn needle, scissors, a button about 5/8 in (1.5 cm) across, with sewing thread and a sewing needle and pins.

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) wide, 6¾ in (17 cm) tall**	**about 130 yd (119 m)**
Large	4 in (10 cm) wide, 7½ in (19 cm) tall	about 150 yd (137 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 (UK dc2tog)
st	stitch
sp	space
sk	skip (UK miss)
rnd	round
RS	right side

Gauge

16 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 4 the bag should measure about 7 in (18 cm) around, laid flat and not stretched, measured across and doubled. If the piece measures more than that, begin again with a smaller hook; if it measures less, with a larger hook.

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.
- 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).
- Whip stitch: put the needle through both edges from back to front, one stitch for each stitch or row, and draw the yarn snug.
- Measure the phone with its case on and take the size it fits: the small is for a phone up to 3 in (7.5 cm) wide and 6 in (15 cm) tall, the large for a larger one, up to 3½ in (9 cm) wide and 6¾ in (17 cm) tall. For a taller phone work more rounds of the last color, 9 for every 2 in (5 cm); the tab still reaches. Four more rounds take about 6½ yd (6 m) of that color.
- The pocket takes bank cards standing upright, with their top edge showing.
- For a longer or shorter strap begin with 16 more or fewer chains for every 4 in (10 cm), and work as many more or fewer stitches in every row. Every 4 in (10 cm) more takes about 1 yd (1 m) more of each of the three colors of the strap.
- For a phone, in any case it wears, up to 3 in (7.5 cm) wide, 6 in (15 cm) tall and ½ in (1.5 cm) thick.
- Colors of the bag, round by round. Rounds 1 to 4: D. Rounds 5 to 6: A. Rounds 7 to 9: B. Rounds 10 to 11: A. Rounds 12 to 14: C. Rounds 15 to 16: A. Rounds 17 to 19: D. Rounds 20 to 21: A. Rounds 22 to 24: B. Rounds 25 to 26: A. Rounds 27 to 30: C.
- Colors of the pocket, row by row. Rows 1 to 9: C. Rows 10 to 11: D.
- Colors of the strap, row by row. Row 1: D. Row 2: A. Row 3: C.

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Instructions

Chosen: Small. 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.

Bag

Yarns in order of use: D, teal; A, cream; B, mustard; C, rust.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 14.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 11 chs, 3 sc in last ch, working along the other side of the foundation ch, sc in next 11 chs, 2 sc in last ch	**(28 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 2 to 4**	Sc in each st around	**(28 sc)**

A box for each round, 2 to 4: tick them off as you go. The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

2 3 **4**

> **Stop and measure now, after round 4.** The bag should measure about 7 in (18 cm) around.

☐ **Rnd 5**	With A, sc in each st around	**(28 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 6**	Sc in each st around	**(28 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 7**	With B, sc in each st around	**(28 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 8 to 9**	Sc in each st around	**(28 sc)**

A box for each round, 8 to 9: tick them off as you go.

8 9

☐ **Rnd 10**	With A, sc in each st around	**(28 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 11**	Sc in each st around	**(28 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 12**	With C, sc in each st around	**(28 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 13 to 14**	Sc in each st around	**(28 sc)**

A box for each round, 13 to 14: tick them off as you go.

13 14

☐ **Rnd 15**	With A, sc in each st around	**(28 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 16**	Sc in each st around	**(28 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 17**	With D, sc in each st around	**(28 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 18 to 19**	Sc in each st around	**(28 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	**(28 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 21**	Sc in each st around	**(28 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 22**	With B, sc in each st around	**(28 sc)**

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☐ **Rnds 23 to 24**	Sc in each st around	**(28 sc)**

A box for each round, 23 to 24: tick them off as you go.

23 24

☐ **Rnd 25**	With A, sc in each st around	**(28 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 26**	Sc in each st around	**(28 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 27**	With C, sc in each st around	**(28 sc)**
☐ **Rnds 28 to 30**	Sc in each st around	**(28 sc)**

A box for each round, 28 to 30: tick them off as you go.

28 29 30

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

Pocket

Yarns in order of use: C, rust; D, teal.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 11.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 9**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(10 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 9: tick them off as you go.

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

☐ **Row 10**	With D, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(10 sc)**
☐ **Row 11**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(10 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Tab

Yarn B, mustard.

Lay the bag flat with the foundation chain along its bottom edge, so that 14 stitches of the last round lie on each side and each side fold falls between two stitches. The two sides are alike: call the one facing you the back. Count 4 stitches from the fold on your right (on your left if you work left-handed) and join B with a slip stitch in the next stitch, the first of the 6 in the middle. Work the first single crochet of row 1 into that same stitch.

☐ **Foundation**	The 6 stitches in the middle of the top edge of the back, RS facing; 6 stitches.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, sc in each st across	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 9**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(6 sc)**

A box for each row, 2 to 9: tick them off as you go.

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 2 sts, ch 2, sk next 2 sts, sc in next 2 sts	**(4 sc, 1 ch-2 sp)**
☐ **Row 11**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next ch-2 sp, sc in next 2 sts	**(6 sc)**
☐ **Row 12**	Ch 1, turn; sc2tog, sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog	**(4 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

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Strap

Yarns in order of use: D, teal; A, cream; C, rust.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 191.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	**(190 sc)**
☐ **Row 2**	With A, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(190 sc)**
☐ **Row 3**	With C, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	**(190 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 16 in (41 cm) to sew one end. To sew the other end, cut a new length of the same yarn, also 16 in (41 cm).	

Assembly

1. Weave in the tails of the bag, the pocket, the tab and the strap that are not used for sewing, on the wrong side.

2. The pocket. The front is the side without the tab. Hold the pocket with its right side out and its foundation edge down. Pin the foundation edge along round 5, the first round of cream above the base, on the middle 10 stitches of the front, stitch to stitch, with 2 stitches free at each side up to the fold. Pin the two sides straight up from there, a row of the pocket to a round of the bag: rows 1 to 11 lie on rounds 5 to 15.

3. Cut a length of C about 36 in (91.5 cm) long. Begin at one upper corner with a tail of 6 in (15 cm), and whip stitch down that side, across the lower edge and up the other side, through the front of the bag only: 11 stitches down the side, one in the end of each row, 10 along the lower edge, one in each stitch, and 11 up the other side. Leave the upper edge open. Fasten off inside the bag.

4. The strap is about 47½ in (120.5 cm) long. Lay the end with the long tail on the outside of the bag at one side fold, right side out, its middle on the fold, so that it covers the top 5 rounds, and whip stitch it down round its four edges, the fourth along the rim, with that tail. Take care that the strap is not twisted, and sew the other end at the other side fold in the same way with the new length.

5. Put the phone in, fold the tab over the top to the front, and sew the button to the front under the hole of the tab with sewing thread.

Finishing

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

In all: 3 pieces; 1,588 stitches (840 in the bag, 110 in the pocket, 68 in the tab, 570 in the strap).

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