Walker bag with pockets

US terms



Finished size
About 16¼ in (41.5 cm) wide and 11½ in (29 cm) tall without the hanging band and the tabs; the tabs go round a bar up to 1¼ in (3 cm) thick

Skill
Easy
It is flat pieces in rows; the pockets have two colors in a row.

Yarn
Medium (4), 6 colors

Hook
5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge
15 stitches and 17 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn A: ink blue, the bag	**about 550 yd (503 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: ruby, patches	**about 35 yd (32 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: sapphire, patches	**about 35 yd (32 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: emerald, patches	**about 35 yd (32 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: amethyst, patches	**about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**
Yarn F: gold, patches	**about 40 yd (37 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 360 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Fiber: acrylic

Hook: 5 mm (US H-8), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: three buttons, 1 in (2.5 cm) across, sewing thread and a needle, four stitch markers, 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.

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Gauge

15 stitches and 17 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet. Along a row, count every stitch and every chain between stitches as one.

> **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 15 stitches and 17 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 23.	
Swatch row 1 (RS)	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(22 sc)
Swatch rows 2 to 26	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(22 sc)

Notes

- 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. In the strips cut the old yarn at each change, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).
- The pockets have two patches side by side: use a small ball of each color, and do not carry one behind the other. At the change draw the new yarn through as the last yarn over of the last stitch in the old one, leave the old yarn hanging on the wrong side, and pick it up again when the next row comes to it; cross the two yarns on the wrong side at each change so that no gap opens. Cut both after row 10 and after row 20.
- 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 bar the bag will hang on. The bag should hang between the two front legs of the walker and clear of its wheels, if it has them: hold a paper of its size in place first. For a bar thicker than 1¼ in (3 cm) work 4 rows more in each tab before the buttonhole for every ¼ in (0.5 cm) of thickness. Put only light things in it and keep the weight in the middle.
- Upper strip, colors: Rows 1 to 11: B. Rows 12 to 22: F. Rows 23 to 33: C. Rows 34 to 44: E. Rows 45 to 55: D. Rows 56 to 66: F.
- Lower strip, colors: Rows 1 to 11: D. Rows 12 to 22: E. Rows 23 to 33: B. Rows 34 to 44: F. Rows 45 to 55: C. Rows 56 to 66: E.

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Instructions

US terms.

ch chain, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **st** stitch, **sp** space.
sk skip, **RS** right side, the one that shows.
3 sc in next st: all in one stitch. **sc in next 19 sts**: one in each. **ch-3 sp**: the gap under three chains; the hook goes in the gap.
(61 sc): the stitches you have when the row is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Bag

Yarn A, ink blue.

One piece is the front and the back: rows 1 to 49 are the front, from its top edge down, rows 50 to 98 the back, from the bottom up, and rows 99 to 105 the hanging band above the flap. Put a marker at each end of row 49 and of row 98. The right side is the outside.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 62.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(61 sc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 105**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(61 sc)

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29
30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57
58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85
86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96 97 98 99 100 101 102 103 104 105

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Upper strip of the flap

Yarns in order of use: B, ruby; F, gold; C, sapphire; E, amethyst; D, emerald.

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

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11

☐ **Row 12**	With F, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(10 sc)
☐ **Rows 13 to 22**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(10 sc)

13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22

☐ **Row 23**	With C, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(10 sc)
☐ **Rows 24 to 33**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(10 sc)

24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33

☐ **Row 34**	With E, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(10 sc)
☐ **Rows 35 to 44**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(10 sc)

35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44

☐ **Row 45**	With D, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(10 sc)

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☐ **Rows 46 to 55**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(10 sc)
46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55		
☐ **Row 56**	With F, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(10 sc)
☐ **Rows 57 to 66**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(10 sc)
57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66		
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Lower strip of the flap

Yarns in order of use: D, emerald; E, amethyst; B, ruby; F, gold; C, sapphire.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 11.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(10 sc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 11**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(10 sc)
2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11		
☐ **Row 12**	With E, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(10 sc)
☐ **Rows 13 to 22**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(10 sc)
13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22		
☐ **Row 23**	With B, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(10 sc)
☐ **Rows 24 to 33**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(10 sc)
24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33		
☐ **Row 34**	With F, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(10 sc)
☐ **Rows 35 to 44**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(10 sc)
35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44		
☐ **Row 45**	With C, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(10 sc)
☐ **Rows 46 to 55**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(10 sc)
46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55		
☐ **Row 56**	With E, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(10 sc)
☐ **Rows 57 to 66**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(10 sc)
57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66		
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

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Border of the flap

Yarn A, ink blue.

Work the border after step 2 of Assembly. Hold the flap with its right side facing you and the upper strip at the top. Join A with a slip stitch in the edge stitch at the top of the left short edge; the chain of 1 does not count, and the first stitch goes into that same stitch. Go down the left short edge (20 stitches, 10 of each strip), along the lower edge (59 stitches: one in each row end, but pass over every 9th row) and up the right short edge (20 stitches). The groups of 3 single crochet are at the two lower corners.

☐ **Foundation**	Three edges of the flap, RS facing, 99 stitches: 20 of the left short edge, 59 row ends of the lower long edge and 20 of the right short edge.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, sc in next 19 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 59 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 19 sts	(103 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 20 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 61 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 20 sts	(107 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Pocket: make 2

Yarns in order of use: B, ruby; C, sapphire; F, gold; D, emerald; A, ink blue.

The two pockets are alike. With the right side facing you, the first half of a right side row is at the right.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 21.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in next 9 chs, with C, sc in next 10 chs	(20 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 10 sts, with B, sc in next 10 sts	(20 sc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 10 sts, with C, sc in next 10 sts	(20 sc)
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 10 sts, with B, sc in next 10 sts	(20 sc)
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 10 sts, with C, sc in next 10 sts	(20 sc)
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 10 sts, with B, sc in next 10 sts	(20 sc)
☐ **Row 7**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 10 sts, with C, sc in next 10 sts	(20 sc)
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 10 sts, with B, sc in next 10 sts	(20 sc)
☐ **Row 9**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 10 sts, with C, sc in next 10 sts	(20 sc)
☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 10 sts, with B, sc in next 10 sts	(20 sc)
☐ **Row 11**	With D, ch 1, turn; sc in next 10 sts, with F, sc in next 10 sts	(20 sc)
☐ **Row 12**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 10 sts, with D, sc in next 10 sts	(20 sc)
☐ **Row 13**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 10 sts, with F, sc in next 10 sts	(20 sc)
☐ **Row 14**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 10 sts, with D, sc in next 10 sts	(20 sc)
☐ **Row 15**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 10 sts, with F, sc in next 10 sts	(20 sc)
☐ **Row 16**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 10 sts, with D, sc in next 10 sts	(20 sc)
☐ **Row 17**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 10 sts, with F, sc in next 10 sts	(20 sc)

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☐ **Row 18**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 10 sts, with D, sc in next 10 sts	(20 sc)
☐ **Row 19**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 10 sts, with F, sc in next 10 sts	(20 sc)
☐ **Row 20**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 10 sts, with D, sc in next 10 sts	(20 sc)
☐ **Row 21**	With A, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(20 sc)
☐ **Row 22**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(20 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Tab: make 3

Yarn A, ink blue.

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

Assembly

1. Weave in the tails that are left from working each piece, on its wrong side.

2. Flap: with right sides up lay the two strips one below the other, the upper strip above, both with row 1 at the right. Cut a length of A about 60 in (152.5 cm) long. Beginning at the right with a tail of 6 in (15 cm), whip stitch the lower long edge of the upper strip to the upper long edge of the lower strip, row to row, so that the patches meet. Fasten off and weave in both tails on the wrong side. Now work the border as written and weave in its tails.

3. Pockets: lay the bag flat with its right side up and row 1 at the top. Lay the two pockets on the front, their two rows of A toward row 1, their lower edges along the line between rows 45 and 46: 8 stitches of the bag free to the left of the left pocket, 5 between the two, and 8 to the right of the right one. For each pocket cut a length of A about 56 in (142 cm) long. Beginning at the top right corner with a tail of 6 in (15 cm), whip stitch it down the right edge, along the lower edge and up the left edge, one stitch for each row or stitch; the edge with the rows of A stays open. Fasten off and weave in both tails on the wrong side of the bag.

4. Sides: fold the bag between rows 49 and 50, wrong sides together, so that row 1 is level with row 98. For each side cut a length of A about 48 in (122 cm) long. Beginning at the fold with a tail of 6 in (15 cm), whip stitch the front to the back, row to row, 49 rows, up to the top edge of the front. Fasten off and weave in both tails inside the bag. The 7 rows of the hanging band stand up behind.

5. Put the flap on: hold the bag with the front toward you. Lay the free long edge of the flap along row 98 on the wrong side of the back, the side that faces you above the front, with the right side of the flap up, its border hanging over the front, and its middle (between the third and the fourth patch) at the middle stitch of the row. The flap with its border is about as wide as the bag and lies the same at both sides. Along the free edge of the flap there are 70 row ends, the 66 of the strip and 2 of the border at each end, and row 98 has 61 stitches: take one row end of the flap for

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each stitch of row 98, but pass over every 7th row end, 9 times in all (the 7th, the 14th and so on to the 63rd), so that both come to an end together. Cut a length of A about 62 in (157.5 cm) long. Beginning at one side seam with a tail of 6 in (15 cm), whip stitch this edge of the flap to row 98 as far as the other side seam, fasten off and weave in both tails inside the bag.

6. Tabs: turn the bag so that its back is toward you. The last row of the bag has 61 stitches. Lay the first 5 rows of the three tabs, right sides up, on the hanging band, row 1 of each tab 5 rows below the top edge, so that the rest of the tab stands up above it: 2 stitches free, the first tab over 9 stitches, 15 free, the second tab, 15 free, the third tab, and 2 free. For each cut a length of A about 34 in (86.5 cm) long, and whip stitch the part that lies on the band down round its three edges (5 rows, 9 stitches, 5 rows) and across along the top edge of the band (9 stitches), beginning with a tail of 6 in (15 cm). Fasten off and weave in both tails.

7. Buttons: turn the front toward you again. With sewing thread sew the three buttons to the front of the hanging band, all on row 102, the middle one of its 7 rows, through the band and the tab behind it: one at the 7th stitch from the left edge, one at the 31st stitch, the middle of the band, and one at the 7th stitch from the right edge, each in front of the middle of its tab. Each tab comes forward over the top and is buttoned there; its loop then stands above the band. To hang the bag, put the tabs over the bar from behind and button them in front.

Finishing

- Check that the bag hangs level and clear of the legs, and of the wheels if there are any, before the walker is used.

In all: 8 pieces; 9,589 stitches (6,405 in the bag, 660 in the upper strip of the flap, 660 in the lower strip of the flap, 210 in the border of the flap, 440 in each pocket, 258 in each tab).

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