



## **KITCHEN COTTON Crochet Hobo Bag**



**SIZE:** About 43 1/2" around at widest point

**MATERIALS:** 3 balls LION BRAND Kitchen Cotton (Art. No. 760, 5 oz. solid color balls, or 4 oz. multi-color balls) in color of your choice; Crochet hook size H OR SIZE NEEDED TO OBTAIN GAUGE

**GAUGE:** 11 dc and 7 rows = 4", working back and forth in dc in space between stitches

**NOTE:** Bag is worked with dc worked into the space between two dc sts, rather than in each dc st

**NOTE: To Work 2 Double Crochets Decreased Together:** Yo hook and pull up lp in first st, yo hook and draw through 2 lps, yo hook and pull up lp in next st, yo hook and draw through 2 lps, yo hook and draw through all 3 rem lps on hook.

**TOTE:** Ch 3, join with sl st to form a circle.

**Row 1:** Ch 3 (counts as a dc), work 11 more dc into circle, sl st into SPACE bet beg ch and next dc to join, turn.

**Row 2:** Ch 3 (counts as a dc), work another dc in same space bet sts, \*work 2 dc in space bet the next 2 sts; rep from \* around - 24 dc, sl st into SPACE bet beg ch and next dc to join, turn.

**Row 3:** Ch 3 (counts as a dc), work another dc in same space bet sts, \*dc in the next space bet 2 sts, work 2 dc in the next space bet 2 sts; rep from \* around - 36 dc, sl st into SPACE bet beg ch and next dc to join, turn.

**Row 4:** Ch 3 (counts as a dc), work another dc in same space bet sts, \*dc in each of the next 2 spaces bet sts, work 2 dc in the next space bet 2 sts; rep from \* around - 48 dc, sl st into SPACE bet beg ch and next dc to join, turn.

**Row 5:** Ch 3 (counts as a dc), work another dc in same space bet sts, \*dc in each of the next 3 spaces bet sts, work 2 dc in the next space bet 2 sts; rep from \* around - 60 dc, sl st into SPACE bet beg ch and next dc to join, turn.

**Row 6:** Ch 3 (counts as a dc), work even by dc-ing in each space around, sl st into SPACE bet beg ch and next dc to join, turn.

**Row 7:** Ch 3 (counts as a dc), work another dc in same space bet sts, \*dc in each of the next 4 spaces bet sts, work 2 dc in the next space bet 2 sts; rep from \* around - 72 dc, sl st into SPACE bet beg ch and next dc to join, turn.

**Row 8:** Ch 3 (counts as a dc), work another dc in same space bet sts, \*dc in each of the next 7 spaces bet sts, work 2 dc in the next space bet 2 sts; rep from \* around - 81 dc, sl st into SPACE bet beg ch and next dc to join, turn.

**Row 9:** Ch 3 (counts as a dc), work another dc in same space bet sts, \*dc in each of the next 8 spaces bet sts, work 2 dc in the next space bet 2 sts; rep from \* around - 90 dc, sl st into SPACE bet beg ch and next dc to join, turn.

**Row 10:** Ch 3 (counts as a dc), work another dc in same space bet sts, \*dc in each of the next 9 spaces bet sts, work 2 dc in the next space bet 2 sts; rep from \* around - 99 dc, sl st into SPACE bet beg ch and next dc to join, turn.

**Row 11:** Rep Row 6.

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**Row 12:** Ch 3 (counts as a dc), work another dc in same space bet sts, \*dc in each of the next 10 spaces bet sts, work 2 dc in the next space bet 2 sts; rep from \* around - 108 dc, sl st into SPACE bet beg ch and next dc to join, turn.

**Row 13:** Ch 3 (counts as a dc), work another dc in same space bet sts, \*dc in each of the next 17 spaces bet sts, work 2 dc in the next space bet 2 sts; rep from \* around 114 dc, sl st into SPACE bet beg ch and next dc to join, turn.

**Row 14:** Ch 3 (counts as a dc), work another dc in same space bet sts, \*dc in each of the next 18 spaces bet sts, work 2 dc in the next space bet 2 sts; rep from \* around - 120 dc, sl st into SPACE bet beg ch and next dc to join, turn.

**Rows 15 through 28:** Rep Row 6.

**Row 29:** Work as established and dec every 9th and 10th st tog around - 108 dc, join and turn.

**Row 30:** Rep Row 6.

**Row 31:** Work as established and dec every 5th and 6th st tog around - 90 dc, join and turn.

**Row 32:** Rep Row 6.

**SEPARATE FOR HANDLES:**Continue to work bet sts at all times.

**FIRST HANDLE:**

**Row 33:** Ch 3, dec next 2 sts tog, dc in each of next 29 spaces, dec next 2 sts tog, dc in next space (33 sts), turn without working remaining sts.

**Row 34:** Ch 3, dec next 2 sts tog, dc in each of next 27 spaces, dec next 2 sts tog, dc in next space, turn.

**Rows 35 through 45:** Rep last row, working 2 less sts bet dec's at each end. There will be 9 sts total after completing Row 45.

**Rows 46 through 56:** Work even on 9 sts total, fasten and end off.

**SECOND HANDLE:**Skip 10 spaces from the last st worked on Row 31, join yarn in next space, ch 3 and work same as for other handle.

**FINISHING:** From wrong sides, sc both ends of handles tog.

**TRIM:** With RS facing, sc evenly around both edges of handles, fasten and end off.

<b>ABBREVIATIONS:</b>	
approx = approximately	rnd(s) = round(s)
beg = begin(ning)	RS = right side
ch = chain	sc = single crochet
dec = decreas(e)(s)(ing)	sl = slip
fpsc - front post single crochet	st(s) = stitch(es)
hdc = half double crochet	tbl = through back loop
inc = increas(e)(s)(ing)	tog = together
rem = remain(s)(ing)	yo = yarn over
rep = repeat	

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