



## Pattern Fat-Bottom-Bag



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## Material

- ♥ Stylcraft Special DK (100% Acryl; 295m/100g): 100g Grey, Clematis, Magenta, Plum, Emperor, Petrol, Storm Blue, Sage, Duck Egg
- ♥ crochethook 4 mm
- ♥ Bamboorings (diameter 20-22cm)
- ♥ Fabric for the lining (60cm x 60cm)
- ♥ Tear-off stabilizer (60cm x 60cm), if you want to do the lining by sewing-machine
- ♥ Darning needle, scissors, sewingneedle, pins and optinal a sewing machine

## Tips

- ♥ Please read the whole instruction carefully before starting.
- ♥ You can work the fat-bottom-bag in every other, not too soft yarn. The swatch isn't important.
- ♥ If haven't a sewing machine, you can do the lining by hand or you can let it be.
- ♥ The bag also looks very nice if you work a Sollid- Granny-Square.
- ♥ Sometimes I like to use fabrics from colourful pillow cases, which I pick up at flee market or second-hand stores to do the lining.



## Swatch

The swatch isn't important. Only the final size of the crochet square matters. This doesn't have to be exact, too.

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## Abbreviations (US Terms)

sc	single crochet
ch	chain
st	stich
dc	double crochet
Sl st	slip stitch
hdc	half double crochet
tr	treble
sp	space (e.g. ch-1-sp)

## Pattern

Work a granny-square with an edge length of 54 cm. You can find many very good patterns for Granny-Squares in the internet therefore I don't explain it here.

I chose the following color order:

3 rounds grey

Afterwards I started with the colors alternating with one round grey.

\*Clematis

Magenta

Plum

Petrol

Empor Petrol

Storm Blue

Sage

Duck Egg

start again at \*



That's the the finished square

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- ♥ Cut out a square of the lining fabric. Size: edge- length of the Granny plus 1cm. (My Granny-square had a length of 54cm, so my fabric-square measured 55cm)
- ♥ Stich around the fabric with a zigzag stitch of the sewing machine, if you have a sewing machine at hand. If not, this is not absolutely necessary.
- ♥ Fold 1 cm of the edges of the fabric to the back and iron it.
- ♥ Pin the fabric to the back of the Granny-square like shown on the photo. It's important that the two squares are pinned together as shown on the photo.



- ♥ If you want to do the lining by hand, than do it now.  
If you want to do the lining by a sewing machine put the tear-off stabilizer in front of you, then on top the Granny-Square with the fabric upside. You need the tear-off stabilizer so the sewing machine can transport the crochet piece without any problem. Now sew the lining with a seam near the edge to the Granny-Square. Tip: Choose a thread that matches to your yarn.

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- ♥ Remove of the tear-off stabilizer



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## Gather up the side edges

Let us gather up the edges so the bag isn't too wide at the sides. (I used the color storm blue).

**Row 1:** 1 sc in the corner, \*1 sc in the 2nd st of the 3 dc of the Granny, 1 sc in the Sp\* repeat from \* to \* to the next corner, 1 sc in the 2nd st of the 3 dc, 1 sc in the corner.



**Row 2:** ch 1 (to turn), sc to end of row.  
Repeat 2. row 9 more times



Now fold the edge inward and stitch down.

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Do the same with the opposite side.

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## Gather up the handle edge

Now let us gather up the handle edges and sew in the bamboo rings. (I used the color petrol)

3 sc over the sideedge, put the hook through the front and rear edge from the side, 1 sc in the corner and 1 sc in the 2nd st of the 3 dc of the Granny together (photo 1 and 2), \*1 sc in the space and 1 sc in the 2nd st of the 3 dc of the Granny together (photo 3)\* repeat from \* to \* to the next corner, 1 sc in the corner, 3 sc over the sideedge, put the hook through the front and rear edge from the side.



photo 1



photo 2

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photo 3

**Next row:** ch 1 (to turn), sc to end of row.  
Repeat this row 12 more times

**Tip:** This border should be so long that you can put it around the bamboo ring. If it is not long enough work some more rows.

Fold the edge to the inner side around the bag handle and stitch it up (photo below).



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## Decoration



I decorated my bag with a big crochet flower:

**Round 1 (magenta):** Start with a Magic-Ring, ch 1, 8 sc, join with a Sl st to the first sc.

**Round 2 (magenta):** ch 1, \*1 sc in sc, ch 2\*, repeat from \* to \* 8-times in total, join with a Sl st to the first sc. (8 ch-2-sp)

**Round 3 (magenta):** [1 sc, 3 hdc, 1 sc] in each 2-ch-space, join with a Sl st to the first sc. (8 petals)

**Round 4 (plum):** ch 1, fold the petals forward so you are looking at the back of the flower, \*1 sc around the sc of round 2, ch 3 \* repeat from \* to \* 8-times in total, join with a Sl st to the first sc. (8 ch-3-sp)

**Round 5 (plum):** [1 sc, 1 hdc, 3 dc, 1 hdc, 1 sc] in each 3-ch-space, join with a Sl st to the first sc. (8 petals)

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**Round 6 (emperor):** ch 1, fold the petals forward so you are looking at the back of the flower, \*1 sc around the sc of round 4, ch 4 \* repeat from \* to \* 8-times in total, join with a Sl st to the first sc. (8 ch-4-sp)

**Round 7 (emperor):** [1 sc, 1 hdc, 2 dc, 1 tr, 2 dc, 1 hdc, 1 sc] ] in each 4-ch-space, join with a Sl st to the first sc. (8 petals)

Tighten the yarn at the beginning, weave in all ends.

Sew up the flower with a big button.

My bag was too wide at the sides, so I decided to make a pleat at the sides and decorated it with a smaller flower. The flower is build from two flowers.



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## Pattern crochet flower

### **Small flower (plum):**

**Round 1:** Start with a magic-Ring, ch 1, 12 sc, join with a Sl st to the first sc.

**Round 2:** ch 1, \* [1 sc, 2 hdc, 1 sc] in sc, 1 sc in next sc \*, repeat from \* to \* 6-times in total, join with a Sl st to the first sc.

Tighten the yarn at the beginning, weave in all ends.

### **Big flower (emperor):**

**Round 1:** Start with a magic-Ring, ch 2, 12 dc, join with a Sl st to the first st.

**Round 2:** ch 1, \* \* [1 hdc, 2 dc, 1 hdc] in st, 1 sc in next st \*, repeat from \* to \* 6-times in total, join with a Sl st to the first st.

Tighten the yarn at the beginning, weave in all ends.

Put the small flower on the big one and sew them together with a button on the bag. Do the same on both sides.

Have fun working your own bag.

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