

Textured Handbag



Designed by Double Stitch Twins.

Handbag is 14" [35.5cm] diameter.

RED HEART® Boutique™ Magical™: 1 ball 1621 Wizard **A**.

RED HEART® Boutique™ Midnight®: 1 ball 1937 Moonlight **B**.

Susan Bates® Crochet Hook: 6.5mm [US K-101/2].

Wooden purse handles, yarn needle.

GAUGE: 8 dc = 3" [7.5cm]; 7 rows = 4" [10cm]. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.

Abbreviations: A, B, C = Color A, B, C; ch = chain; dc = double crochet; hdc = half double crochet; mm = millimeters; sc = single crochet; st(s) = stitch(es); * or ** = repeat whatever follows the * or ** as indicated.

FRONT

With **A**, ch 4, slip st in first st to form a ring.

Round 1: Ch 4 (counts as dc and ch 1), *dc in ring, ch 1; repeat from * 6 more times, slip st in 3rd ch of beginning ch to join – 8 dc and 8 ch-1 spaces.

Round 2: Ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), *2 dc in next ch-1 space, dc in next dc; repeat from * around, 2 dc in last ch-1 space, slip st in top of beginning ch - 24 dc.

Round 3: Ch 3, dc in next dc, *2 dc in next dc, dc in next 2 dc; repeat from * around, 2 dc in last dc, slip st in top of beginning ch - 32 dc.

Round 4: Ch 3, dc in next 2 dc, *2 dc in next dc, dc in next 3 dc; repeat from * around, 2 dc in last dc, slip st in top of beginning ch – 40 dc.

Round 5: Ch 3, dc in next 3 dc, *2 dc in next dc, dc in next 4 dc; repeat from * around, 2 dc in last dc, slip st in top of beginning ch – 48 dc.

Round 6: Ch 3, dc in next 4 dc, *2 dc in next dc, dc in next 5 dc; repeat from * around, 2 dc in last dc, slip st in top of beginning ch – 56 dc.

Round 7: Ch 3, dc in next 5 dc, *2 dc in next dc, dc in next 6 dc; repeat from * around, 2 dc in last dc, slip st in top of beginning ch – 64 dc.

Round 8: Ch 3, dc in each dc around, slip st in top of beginning ch.

Fasten off.

Row 9: Join **B** in any st, ch 3, dc in next 58 dc, turn, leave remaining sts unworked. **Row 10:** Ch 3, dc in each dc across. Fasten off.

BACK

Work as for Front, reversing colors and beginning with ${\bf B}$ and changing to ${\bf A}$ on Row 9.

SIDE PANEL

With **B**, ch 10.

Row 1: Working in back nubs of ch, dc in 3rd ch from hook and in ch across, turn – 8 dc. **Row 2-39:** Ch 3, dc in each dc across, turn – 8 dc. Fasten off.

FINISHING

Measure and mark $2\frac{1}{2}$ " [6.5cm] from first and last st of Row 10 along outside edges of Front and Back. With right side facing, pin long edge of Side Panel along outside edges of Front, beginning and ending where marked. With right side facing and working through both layers, join **A** at beginning of Side Panel and sc pieces together.

Fasten off.

Repeat to attach opposite long edge of Side Panel around outside edge of Back.

Edging

Join **B** in any st and work hdc evenly spaced along top edges of Handbag. Fasten off.

Handles

With ${\bf B},$ sew handles to Front and Back securely. Weave in ends.

(4 Medium) RED HEART® Boutique™ Magical™, Art E787 available in 3.5 oz (100 g), 190 yd (174 m) balls.

(4 Medium) RED HEART® Boutique™ Midnight®, Art. E786, Available in 2.5 oz (70g), 153 yd (140m) balls.

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