CROCHET MAKEUP BAG: STARBURST MAKEUP BAG

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Printable pattern, adapted in my own words from the free Sunflower Cottage Crochet Aurora Make-up Bag design listed in sources.txt. US crochet terms.

SKILL LEVEL

Confident beginner. The starburst stitch looks fancy but is much easier than it seems.

MATERIALS

- 100-120 yards of medium weight (4) yarn or cotton, for example Paintbox Simply Aran for a single-color version or Paintbox Simply Cotton in aran weight for a multi-colored version.
- Crochet hook: 5 mm
- Stitch markers (recommended)
- Scissors
- Tapestry needle
- Button of your choice or a 6 inch zipper
- Lining fabric, 13 x 10 inches (the source recommends lining the bag; the step-by-step lining guide appears only in the source's paid PDF, so no lining steps are given here)

GAUGE

Not important for this project. For reference only, the source gives 8 single crochets by 8 rows for a 2 inch square.

FINISHED SIZE

About 8 inches wide and 6 inches tall.

ABBREVIATIONS

ch: chain

st: stitch

rep: repeat

sk: skip

sc: single crochet

hdc: half double crochet

dc: double crochet

dc9tog: double crochet 9 together

fsc: foundation single crochet

YO: yarn over

ss: slip stitch

FO: fasten off

PATTERN NOTES

- The bag is worked in the round. The first rounds are worked in a continuous round, so use a stitch marker to mark the first or last stitch of every round.
- Chain stitches at the start of a round do not count as a stitch unless the pattern says otherwise.
- The stitch count is in brackets at the end of each round.
- The source works the starburst section in three colors, grey, white, and pink. You can follow those colors or use one color throughout.

SPECIAL STITCHES

dc9tog: This makes the top half of the starburst stitch in the middle section of the bag. To work it: yarn over, insert the hook into the next stitch, yarn over and pull through, yarn over and pull through 2 loops on the hook. Repeat from the start 8 more times across the next 8 stitches, then yarn over and pull through all 10 loops on the hook. Chain 1 to close. This chain 1 is called the eye.

Alt ch3: A way to start a round without using a chain 3, which can look gappy at the edges. To work it, turn your work, work a single crochet into the first stitch, then chain 2. This counts as a stitch.

Fsc: Foundation single crochet. If you prefer, you can start with a chain instead, as given in round 1 below.

Camel stitch: Also known as third loop half double crochet. To work it: yarn over, insert the hook into the third loop of the half double crochet from the previous round (the horizontal bar below the two loops you normally work into), pull up a loop, yarn over and pull through all 3 loops on the hook.

MAIN BAG

In grey, or your main color

Round 1: Work 32 foundation single crochets, or chain 33, work a single crochet in the second chain from the hook and in each stitch across. Then rotate your work and work a single crochet across the bottom of the chain row or foundation row. Do not join. (64)

Rounds 2 to 4: Work in a continuous round. Work a single crochet in each stitch around. Do not join. (64)

Round 5: Work a half double crochet in each stitch around. Slip stitch to join at the end of this round. (64)

Round 6: Chain 1, work a camel stitch in each stitch around. Slip stitch to join. (64)

If you are changing colors, change to white here and join anywhere on the previous round.

Round 7: Work an alt ch3 and 8 double crochets in the same stitch, skip 3 stitches, work a single crochet in the next stitch, skip 3 stitches, then repeat the following around: 9 double crochets in the next stitch, skip 3, work a single crochet in the next stitch, skip 3 stitches. Slip stitch to the top of the alt ch3 to join. (8 sets of 9 double crochets and 8 single crochets)

Change to pink here and join to the 5th stitch of any 9 double crochet set.

Round 8: If you are using a solid color, slip stitch to the 5th stitch in the first 9 double crochet set. All versions: work a single crochet in the same stitch, then repeat the following 7 times: chain 3, work a dc9tog over the next 9 stitches, chain 3, work a single crochet in the next stitch (which will be the 5th stitch of the 9 double crochet set from the previous round). Then chain 3, work a dc9tog over the last 9 stitches, chain 3, and slip stitch to the first single crochet to join. (8 dc9tog and 8 single crochets)

Round 9: Slip stitch to the eye of the next dc9tog. Then repeat the following around: work 9 double crochets into the eye, work a single crochet in the next single crochet from the previous round. Slip stitch to the first double crochet to join. (8 sets of 9 double crochets and 8 single crochets)

Change to white here and join to the 5th stitch of any 9 double crochet set.

Rounds 10 to 11: Repeat rounds 8 and 9.

Change to pink here and join to the 5th stitch of any 9 double crochet set.

Round 12: Repeat round 8.

Join to any chain 3 space.

Round 13: Chain 1, work 3 half double crochets into each chain 3 space and 1 half double crochet into each eye and single crochet around. Slip stitch to join. (64)

Round 14: Chain 1, work a camel stitch in each stitch around. Slip stitch to join. (64)

Rounds 15 to 16: Chain 1, work a single crochet in each stitch around, slip stitch to join. (64)

Round 17: Work a slip stitch in each stitch around and slip stitch to join. (64)

Fasten off and weave in all ends.

BUTTON LOOP (IF YOU ARE ATTACHING A BUTTON)

Mark where your button is going with a stitch marker. Attach yarn to the matching single crochet from round 16 on the back of the bag. Chain a length that makes a good-sized loop for your button (the source chained 20) and work a single crochet in each stitch back. Insert a slip stitch

into the same stitch from round 16 that you started the chain in. Fasten off and weave in all ends.

If you prefer a zipper instead, the source lists a 6 inch zipper. The step-by-step zipper and lining guide appears only in the source's paid PDF, so no zipper fitting steps are given here.

FINISHING

- Weave in every yarn end neatly on the inside of the bag.
- Line your bag if you wish. The source recommends lining it because the starburst stitch leaves small gaps that brushes or pens could poke through, and lists 13 x 10 inches of fabric. No lining steps are given here.
- Attach your button or zipper, then check the finished bag: it should stand up on its own while open, close neatly, and hold your daily essentials without stretching out of shape.

Source credit: adapted from Sunflower Cottage Crochet, The Aurora Make-up Bag. See sources.txt for the full link.

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