

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1) GAUGE:** 14 sts + 17 rows = 4" (10 cm) in single crochet.
BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.
- 2) BASE:** Ch 41. Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across – 40 sts. Ch 1, turn. Continue even in sc until there are a total of 14 rows. Fasten off.
- 3) SIDE:** Count up to 7th row on short side of Base. Attach yarn above 7th row with ch 2; sc in this and in side of next 6 rows – 7 sts. Sc across 40 sc of long side of Base, rotate, sc in first 7 rows of 2nd short side. Ch 1, turn. Continue to work even back and forth in sc over these 54 sts until there are a total of 34 rows for side. Fasten off. Skip 10 sc, attach yarn in next st with ch 2, sc in same sc and next 33 sc – 34 sts. Ch 1, turn. Working in sc, dec 1 st at both ends of next 10 rows - 14 sts remain. Work 6 rows sc over these 14 sts for Handle Flap. Fasten off.
- 4)** Repeat Side instructions on unworked side of Base.
- 5) FINISHING:** Slip st side seams together. Fasten off.
- 6) Edging:** With RS facing, and skipping the Handle Flap, sc evenly down diagonal edge, across side edge, and up diagonal edge on opposite side. Fasten off.
- 7)** Repeat on opposite side.
- 8) Side Pleat:** Fold side seam with RS together and slip st together first 6 sts on each side of seam. Fasten off. Repeat on opposite side.
- 9)** Fold each Handle Flap to inside of Bag, enclosing base of handles, and sew down, adjusting length as desired. Sew edges of overlap on inside to firmly anchor handles.

ABBREVIATIONS

beg = begin(ning)

dec = decreas(e)(s)(ing)

sc = single crochet

ch = chain

RS = right side

st(s) = stitch(es)

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CROCHETED BAGS

Design by: LION BRAND® LION COTTON



supplies:

- Size G-6 (4 mm) crochet hook OR SIZE TO OBTAIN GAUGE
- Large-eyed, blunt needle

Version I

- LION BRAND Lion Cotton 2 balls #098 Natural or color of your choice
- DARICE Craft Designer plastic purse handles (2 pieces) #1972-16 Black



Version II

- LION BRAND Lion Cotton 2 balls #224 Sagebrush or color of your choice
- DARICE Craft Designer plastic purse handles (2 pieces) #1972-13 Woodtone

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