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Level of difficulty: Intermediate.



Design: Lankava, Molla Mills.

Size: 25x15x22 cm.

Yarn: Lankava Moi Braided Yarn (80 % recycled cotton, 20 % polyester, approx. 500 g = 300 m)
350 g pink (Powder 75) and
300 g Orange (58).

Hook: 4 and 4,5 mm or per gauge.

Gauge: 14 sc and 15 rows = 10 cm.

Other materials: Bag Frame 25x10 cm,
4 removable stitch markers, large tapestry needle.



Abbreviations:

RS = right side

WS = wrong side

st(s) = stitch(es)

ch = chain stitch

sc = single crochet

sl st = slip stitch

yoh = yarn over hook

sm = stitch marker



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on the next page.

INSTRUCTIONS:

BAG PANEL

With pink yarn and 4,5 mm hook, chain 31. The panel is worked starting from the right side seam, crocheting back and forth toward the left side seam, using one color at a time.

Row 1 (WS): Work 1 sc in 2nd ch from hook, 29 sc = 30 sts.

Row 2 (RS): Turn, ch 1 (this ch counts as the first sc on every row), 30 sc. Change to orange yarn in the last yoh, leave pink yarn hanging at the edge. The color change sits at the lower edge of the bag.

Rows 3–4: Turn, ch 1, 30 sc. Change to pink at end of Row 4.

Rows 5–6: Turn, ch 1, 30 sc in pink.

Rows 7–8: Turn, ch 1, 30 sc in orange.

Rows 9–10: Turn, ch 1, 30 sc in pink. At end of Row 10, change to orange and begin base shaping.

Row 11 (WS): Ch 11 in orange, turn, work 1 sc in 2nd ch from hook, 9 sc in chains, 30 sc.

Row 12 (RS): Turn, ch 1, 30 sc, carry pink along, 10 sc. Change to pink.

Rows 13–14: Turn, ch 1, 40 sc in pink.

Rows 15–16: Turn, ch 1, 40 sc in orange.

Rows 17–18: Turn, ch 1, 40 sc in pink.

Rows 19–20: Turn, ch 1, 40 sc in orange.

Row 21 (WS): Turn, ch 1, 37 sc. Leave last 3 sts unworked (for hand opening).

Row 22 (RS): Turn, ch 1, 37 sc in pink.

Rows 23–24: Turn, ch 1, 37 sc in orange.

Rows 25–36: Continue working 2-row stripes alternating pink and orange. The hand opening measures 16 rows high.

Row 37 (WS): Turn, ch 1, 37 sc in pink, ch 4.

Row 38 (RS): Turn, work 1 sc in 2nd ch from hook, 2 sc in chains, 37 sc.

Rows 39–40: Turn, ch 1, 40 sc in orange.

Rows 41–42: Turn, ch 1, 40 sc in pink.

Rows 43–44: Turn, ch 1, 40 sc in orange.

Row 45 (WS): Turn, ch 1, carry orange for 9 sc, leave orange waiting on WS, 30 sc in pink.

Row 46 (RS): Turn, ch 1, 40 sc in pink. Fasten off pink. Base shaping ends.

Row 47 (WS): Turn, skip 10 sts from edge, insert hook in 11th st, 30 sc in orange.

Row 48 (RS): Turn, ch 1, 30 sc.

Rows 49–50: Join pink, turn, ch 1, 30 sc.

Rows 51–52: Turn, ch 1, 30 sc in orange.

Rows 53–54: Turn, ch 1, 30 sc in pink. Fasten off.

Rows 55–56: Turn, ch 1, 30 sc in orange.

Do not fasten off, continue to lower corner seam. Fold lower corners with RS facing each other. From WS, seam with pink yarn using sc. Seam length = 10 sc.

HAND OPENING EDGING

Switch to a 4 mm hook. Work from RS with pink yarn. First work a slip stitch row: 3 sl st in sc, 16 sl st (1 per row edge), 3 sl st. Then work sc edging: Turn, ch 1, 1 sc in each sl st (22 sc), inserting hook only into the visible sl st loops on RS (do not work into bag panel). Work 2 more rows sc: Turn, ch 1, 22 sc. Leave a 1 m tail, fasten off. Fold edging to WS and sew firmly into the slip stitch loops on the wrong side. Weave in ends.

Make a second identical bag panel.

HANDLES

Open the metal handle and tape the yarn end at the fold point, starting from the outer edge of the handle. Wrap the pink yarn tightly around both sides of the handle from right to left, completely covering the metal surface. Do not cut the yarn at

the fold points. Once the entire handle is wrapped, continue without cutting the yarn.

Crochet single crochet stitches around the wrapped handle so that the stitches form along the lower edge of the handle (this edge will later be attached to the top of the bag). Work 52 sc evenly spaced around both sides of the handle (make them as tight as possible). At the fold points, work 4 ch. Total stitches around the entire handle = 112 sts (including chains).

Fasten off and weave in ends.

SIDE AND BASE SEAM

Place panels together RS facing. With pink yarn, seam sides and base using sc sts. Work 1 sc in each stitch along sides and 1 sc per row along base. Ensure stripes align at base. Do not fasten off. Turn bag right side out.

ATTACHING HANDLES

Place 4 stitch markers on handles so that 14 sc remain centered for the hand opening on each handle. Position handles on RS of bag. Join handles to bag with sc as follows: Work 1 sc in each handle stitch and corresponding row of bag. Begin at side seam and insert hook from handle side. Work sc up to marker: 21 sc (first 2 worked into handle fold chains, last worked into hand opening edging; work 1 extra sc in same spot to reinforce), 14 sl st across handle center (hand opening). Skip to the opposite side of opening, 21 sc (last 2 into fold chains). Continue the same method around the other side of the handle.

FINISHING

Fasten off and weave in ends. Steam block finished bag.