

LEE'S CROCHET BAG

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Size: 30 x 22 x 22 cm (length x height x depth).

Yarn: Lankava Lilli Tube Yarn (80 % recycled cotton, 20 % polyester, 1 kg = 220 m) 560 g denim blue (22).

Crochet hook: 9 mm, or size to obtain gauge.

Other supplies: Oval plywood basket base, 30 x 20 cm, 2 leather straps 64,5 x 2 cm. Cotton twine for attaching the straps, tapestry needle (= needle with a large hole) and leather punch.

Gauge: 8 sts ja 8 rnds = 10 cm.

Abbreviations: ch = chain, rnd(s) = round(s), sc = single crochet, ss = slip stitch, st(s) = stitch(es).

Instructions:

Bag: First, edge the plywood bottom using the smaller hook as follows: Insert the hook through a hole, catch yarn on the hook and draw through, again, catch yarn on the hook and draw through the st on the hook. Continue by crocheting 1 sc into each hole and at the same time hiding the yarn end inside the sts. Close all rnds by working 1 ss into the first st of the rnd. Switch to larger hook and start working the basket section.

Rnd 1: 1 ch, 1 sc into each st and 1 ss into first ch. Repeat Rnd 1 until the basket is 22 cm. Weave in the yarn end.

Handles: Mark places for two sets of 4 holes at each end of both straps so that each set of 4 holes forms a square of approx. 1 x 1 cm. Make the first square 0.5 cm from the end of the strap and another square 4.5 cm from the first one. Punch the holes. Using cotton cord, sew the handles onto the bag so that the stitches form an X shape. Using needle, weave in the ends inside the sts.



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