

## CLOUDBERRY BAG

*US crochet terms used throughout*

**Design:** Lankava, Molla Mills

**Finished size:** 25x20 cm

**Yarn:** Esito crochet yarn (100 % CO, 100 g = appr. 325 m) 100 g Orange (9022), 100 g Undyed (9000), 100 g Olive green (9041).

**Hook:** 1,75 mm (US steel hook appr. 4)

**Other supplies:** 30 cm leather strap, 60 cm of 25 mm wide cotton bias binding, three snap buttons or 25 cm zipper in off-white.

**Multicoloured crochet in the round:** Crochet dc according to written instructions and diagram. You are working with 3 different colours, crocheting with one and running the other two inside the stitches. Switch colours at the end of the last dc (=pull new colour through 2 last loops of dc). This way the colour change will be even. Simultaneously tighten the yarns running inside the stitches by pulling at them slightly so as to avoid looping on the backside of the work.

**Popcorn:** 5 dc in same st, pull out hook, thread hook through 1<sup>st</sup> dc and loop you pulled hook out of, pick up yarn on hook, pull through the 2 loops = dc form a ball shape on right side of work. NB: At beginning of row, always replace 1<sup>st</sup> dc of popcorn with ch 3 = ch 3 + 4 dc = 1 popcorn.

**Instructions:** Chain 160 with Undyed, close into loop with sl st. Continue with Undyed.

**Rnd 1:** Ch 1, 1 sc in every ch, sl st in 1<sup>st</sup> ch. Continue with dc.

**Rnd 2:** Ch 3, 1 dc in each st (still with the others colour inside the sts), 1 sl st in 3<sup>rd</sup> ch. Begin and end each rnd the same way.

Begin pattern according to diagram, repeat pattern of 20 sts x8.

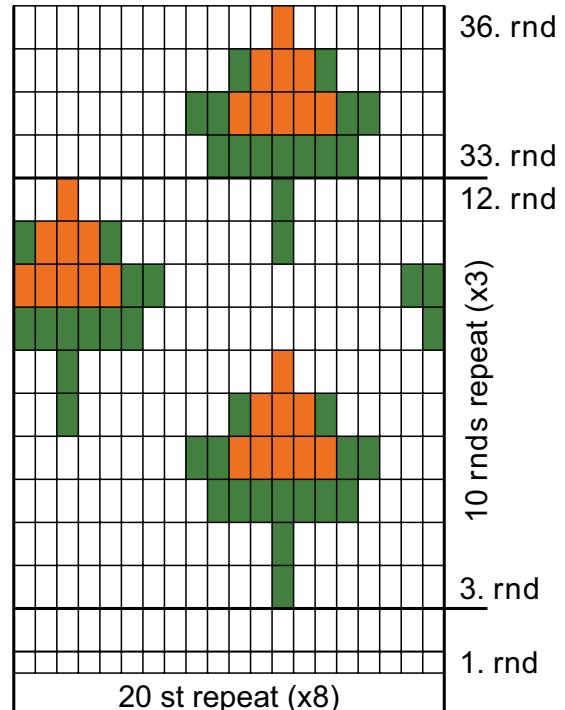
**Rnds 3-4:** Ch 3 with Undyed, 6 dc, switch to green, \*1 dc green, 19 dc Undyed\*, repeat \*-\* x6, finish with 1 dc green, 12 dc Undyed.

**Rnd 5:** Follow diagram.

**Rnd 6:** Crochet popcorn pattern as follows: ch 3, 2 dc with Undyed, 2 dc with green, switch to orange, \*1 popcorn, 1 dc\*, repeat \*-\* once more, 1 popcorn (= 3 popcorns in all), 2 dc with green, 11 dc with Undyed. Continue following diagram.

**Rnd 7:** Continue following diagram. Popcorn in 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> orange dc (= 2 popcorns). Repeat rnds 3-12 x3 = 32 rnds. Crochet rnds 33-36 according to diagram, finish with 2 rnds of dc and 1 rnd of scs with Undyed. Cut yarn.

**Finishing:** Sew opposite sts of starting edge together from the wrong side, weave in ends. Sew bias binding for support to the upper edge, then sew on snaps or zipper. Finish with fastening a leather strap to top of bag with strong sewing thread.



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