

common threads

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GET A LINK

MATERIALS

 Artiste™ #2 nylon thread (shown in Neon Orange and Rose Pink), 3.2 oz. skeins of 300 yds.

Color 1 (A) - 1 skein Color 2 (B) - 1 skein

- · Glue or sewing needle and thread
- · Pair of flip flops
- Crochet hook: Size 7 (4.5 mm) and H-8 (5 mm)

STRAPS

Using size 7 hook, ch 10, join with sl st to form circle.

25 sc into circle, sl st to first sc, finish off. Switch to next color (if desired).

*Ch 10, pull end of ch through the circle just created and join to form ring, 25 sc into ring, sl st to first sc. Finish off.

Rep from * to form desired length to cover strap (medium size would be about 23 circles). Weave in all ends.

Glue or sew the circle ch to flip flop strap, turning the circles so they will lay flat.

FLOWER (Make 2)

Using size H hook, begin with magic circle.

10 sc into magic circle, sl st into first sc to join.

Ch 3, dc into same st, ch 3, sl st into same st.

*Ch 3, dc into next sc, ch 3, sl st into same st.

Rep from * all the way around to form a total of 10 petals. Finish off.

CREATING CIRCLE (Make 2)

Ch 10, sl st to join and form circle.

25 sc into ring, join with sl st to first sc. Finish off.





TEAL ME IN

MATERIALS

Artiste[™] #2 nylon thread (shown in Teal and Brown)

Color 1 (A) - 1 skein

Color 2 (B) - 1 skein

- · Sewing needle and thread
- · Pair of flip flops
- Crochet hook: Size E-4 (3.5 mm)

STRAPS

Using A and B together, work sc around straps. Crochet 45 sc around long strap and 40 around short strap. Maintain the sc in the middle of the strap. Turn around and make 5 hdc using both A and B.

DECORATIVE STITCH (Straps)

Crochet each color individually.

Using B, (ch 5, sl st) 3 times in the same st. Move to the next sc with Δ

Using A, (ch 5, sl st) 3 times in the same st. Move to the next sc with B.

Rep these two steps, crocheting on the straps until there are 5 sc left (37 of B and 36 of A). Crochet hdc over the last 5 sc.

FLOWER (Make 2)

Using A and B, ch 5, join with sl st to form ring.

Layer 1: Using A, ch 5, sl st into the ring. Rep 5 times. 7 tr, ch 2, 7 tr, sl st in the previous sl st. Rep 5 times (5 petals). Using B, work rsc around the 5 petals.

Layer 2: Using B, ch 7, sl st into the ring. Rep 5 times. 9 tr, ch 2, 9 tr, sl st in the previous sl st. Rep 5 times (5 petals). Using A, work rsc around the 5 petals.

Layer 3: Using A, ch 9, sl st into the ring. Rep 6 times. 11 tr, ch 2, 11 tr, sl st in the previous sl st. Rep 6 times (6 petals). Using B, work rsc around the 6 petals.

With needle and thread, sew flowers to center of flip flops.



Crystal Clear bum. You can preserve your

You might be at the beach—but there's no need to be a bum. You can preserve your chicness (and still keep things easy) with a pair of pretty-in-pink crocheted flip flops.

For extra dazzle, we incorporated dainty pearls and crystals into the design.

MATERIALS

 Artiste[™] #2 nylon thread (shown in White, Gray and Rose Pink)

Color 1 (A) - 1 skein

Color 2 (B) - 1 skein

Color 3 (C) - 1 skein
• Pair of flip flops

- 20 8 mm jewelry crystals by
- Bead Design

 60 4 mm pearls (shown in
- silver) by Bead Design
 20 ¾" plastic rings
- Sewing needle and thread
- Crochet hook: Size 5 (1.9 mm)

STRAP (Left Flip Flop)

Step 1: Using A, string 9 crystals. Begin with long strap. Work 13 sc around strap, keeping the sc in the center and starting as close as possible to the edge of the strap. Slide a crystal to the center of strap. *9 sc, slide a crystal. Rep from * 4 times. 10 sc (last st in long strap). Continue with short strap. 10 sc, slide a crystal. **9 sc, slide a crystal. Rep from ** 3 times. Finish with 10 sc. The flip flop is wrapped with 5 crystals in long strap and 4 crystals in short strap. Finish off and weave in sc.

Step 2: Begin with long strap.

Ring 1, 3, 5, 6, 8: Wrap plastic ring with C. Begin with sl st in plastic ring, ch 1, 14 sc in plastic ring, join the plastic ring to strap sc with 1 sc (15th sc) in 3rd sc to either side of first crystal (3rd, 5th, 6th, 8th). Continue with 14 sc in plastic ring, join the plastic ring to strap sc with 1 sc (30th sc) in 3rd sc to opposite side of 15th sc (crystal located in the center of plastic ring), sl st to first ch 1. Finish off and weave in ends.

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Ring 2, 4, 7, 9: Wrap plastic ring with B. Begin with sl st in plastic ring, ch 1, 14 sc in plastic ring, join the ring to strap sc with 1 sc (15th sc in ring) in 3rd sc to either side of second crystal (4th, 7th, 9th). Continue with 14 sc in plastic ring, join the plastic ring to strap sc with 1 sc (30th sc) in 3rd sc to opposite side of 15th sc (crystal located in the center of plastic ring), sl st to first ch 1. Finish off and weave in ends.

STRAP (Right Flip Flop)

Step 1: Using A, string 9 crystals. Begin with short strap. Work 10 sc around strap, keeping the sc in the center and starting as close as possible to the edge of the strap. Slide a crystal to the center of strap. *9 sc, slide a crystal. Rep from *3 times. 10 sc (last st in short strap). Continue with long strap. 10 sc, slide a crystal. **9 sc, slide a crystal. Rep from **4 times. Finish with 13 sc. The flip flop is wrapped with 5 crystals in long strap and 4 crystals in short strap.

Step 2: Begin with short strap.

Ring 1, 3, 6, 8: Wrap plastic ring with B. Begin with sl st in plastic ring, ch 1, 14 sc in plastic ring, join the plastic ring to strap sc with 1 sc (15th sc in ring) in 3rd sc to either side of first crystal (3rd, 6th, 8th). Continue with 14 sc in plastic ring, join the plastic ring to strap sc with 1 sc (30th sc) in 3rd sc to opposite side of 15th sc (crystal located in the center of plastic ring), sl st to first ch 1. Finish off and weave in ends.

Ring 2, **4**, **5**, **7**, **9**: Wrap plastic ring with C. Begin with sl st in plastic ring, ch 1, 14 sc in plastic ring, join the ring to strap sc with 1 sc (15th sc in ring) in 3rd sc to either side of second crystal (4th, 5th, 7th, 9th). Continue with 14 sc in plastic ring, join the plastic ring to strap sc with 1 sc (30th sc) in 3rd sc to opposite side of 15th sc (crystal located in the center of plastic ring), sl st to first ch 1. Finish off and weave in ends.

CENTER (Make 2)

Ring: Using B, string 30 beads. Wrap plastic ring.

Row 1: Begin with a sl st in plastic ring, ch 1, 30 sc in plastic ring, sl st to first ch 1.

Row 2: Ch 1, *1 sc, ch 3. Rep from * 30 times, sl st to first ch 1.

Row 3: SI st once in ch 3 sp. *Ch 8, slide 1 pearl and sc in 8th ch, ch 7, sl st in next ch 3 sp. Rep from * 30 times. Finish off and weave in ends.

Row 4: Using A, string 30 pearls. Join A to any ch 3 sp. Rep row 3 from * 30 times. Finish off and weave in ends

Row 5: Using C, string 30 pearls. Join C to any ch 3 sp. Rep row 3 from * 30 times. Finish off and weave in ends.

FLOWER

Work separately. Using C, string a crystal.

Row 1: Ch 3, slide a crystal, ch 3, join with sl st to form a ring (ch 6).

Row 2: Ch 1, *1 sc in ring, ch 3. Rep from * 8 times. Sl st to first ch 1. *Tip: Work some sc pulling thread under crystal to hold it better.*

Row 3: Ch 4, 5 tr in ch 3 sp, ch 4, sl st in next 1 sc. Rep from * 8 times. Finish off, leaving long tail.



ASSEMBLY

Sew flower to the center of ring. Sew final pieces to flip flops.

MATERIALS

 Artiste™ #2 nylon thread (shown in Neon Yellow, Neon Orange and Neon Mix)

> Color 1 (MC) - 1 skein Color 2 (A) - 1 skein Color 3 (B) - 1 skein

- Fiberfill
- · Pair of flip flops
- Crochet hook: Size C-2 (2.75 mm)

STRAPS

Using MC, ch 10.

Rows 1-20: Sc into 2nd ch from hook. Sc into each st across. Ch 1, turn. Switch to A.

Rows 21-23: Sc into 2nd ch from hook. Sc into each st across. Ch 1, turn. Switch to MC.

Rows 24-26: Sc into 2nd ch from hook. Sc into each st across. Ch 1, turn. Switch to A.

Rows 27-29: Sc into 2nd ch from hook. Sc into each st across. Ch 1, turn. Switch to MC.

Rows 30-50: Sc into 2nd ch from hook. Sc into each st across. Ch 1, turn. Switch to A.

Rows 51-53: Sc into 2nd ch from hook. Sc into each st across. Ch 1, turn. Switch to MC.

Rows 54-56: Sc into 2nd ch from hook. Sc into each st across. Ch 1, turn. Switch to A.

Rows 57-59: Sc into 2nd ch from hook. Sc into each st across. Ch 1, turn. Switch to MC. Rows 60-80: Sc into 2nd ch from hook. Sc

into each st across. Ch 1, turn. Ch 2.

BAUBLES (Make 1 of each color)

Ch 2.

Rnd 1: 6 sc into 2nd st from hook. Join with sl st. Do not turn. (Place a st marker if needed to keep track of rnds.)

Rnd 2: 2 sc into each st around (12 sts).

Rnd 3: 2 sc into each st around (24 sts).

Rnds 4-6: Sc into each st around. **Rnd 7:** Sc2tog, 1 sc around (18 sts).

Rnd 8: Sc2tog, 1 sc around (12 sts). Fill the bauble with fiberfill at this point.

Rnd 9: Sc2toq (6 sts).

Rnd 10: Sc2tog (3 sts). Finish off and weave in ends.

ASSEMBLY

Wrap strap piece around flip flop strap to cover. Whipstitch along edge to secure. St baubles to center of flip flop.

Have A Ball

Kick up the kooky factor on any basic summer ensemble with this ball-bedecked footwear. The colorful spheres (the pattern refers to them as baubles) are stuffed with fiberfill, so they'll bounce happily as you pound the pavement—or the pier.



MATERIALS

- Artiste™ #2 nylon thread (shown in Neon Mix and Neon Orange)
 Color 1 (A) - 1 skein
 Color 2 (B) - 1 skein
- · Pair of flip flops
- Pir
- Crochet hook: Size C-2 (2.75 mm)

STRAPS

Using B, ch 10.

Rows 1-30: Dc in 2nd ch from hook. Dc across. Ch 2, turn. Finish off*.

BOW (Make 2)

Using A, ch 100.

Rows 1-3: Dc in 2nd ch from hook. Dc across. Ch 2, turn. Finish off*.

BOW CENTER (Make 2)

Using A, ch 8.

Rows 1-2: Dc in 2nd ch from hook. Dc across. Ch 2, turn. Finish off*.

ASSEMBLY

Pin the center of strap to the top of the toe divider. Wrap strap piece around flip flop strap to cover. Whipstitch along edge to secure. Fold bow piece in half. About 2" from folded center, st two sides together to create a lp at top of folded piece. Create two lps on either side with remaining tail pieces and st to the center of the first lp. Wrap bow center around the center to create your bow and st to flip flop. Finish off*.

*To finish off, make 3-4 knots and weave ends back into the crochet and make several more knots. The nylon thread is very slippery and prone to coming loose if you do not do this. Add a liquid fabric sealant to keep this from happening.



MATERIALS

• Artiste™ #2 nylon thread (shown in Parakeet, Daffodil and Bright Pink)

Color 1 (A) - 1 skein

Color 2 (B) - 1 skein

Color 3 (C) - 1 skein

- Starfish pendants (2)
- · Sewing needle
- · Hot glue gun
- · Pair of flip flops
- · Crochet hook: Size E-4 (3.5 mm)

CROCHETED STAR (Make 2)

Using both B and C, slip knot and ch 2, leaving long tail.

Rnd 1: 5 sc in the first ch.

Rnd 2: 3 sc in each sc from rnd 1.

Rnd 3: *1 sc in next st, ch 6, sl st in previous ch, 1 sc in next ch, 1 dc in next ch, 1 tr in next ch, 1 tr in next ch (the starting ch), sk 2 sc. Rep from * 4 more times. Sl st in the first sc to join. Finish off and weave in ends.

STRAPS

Using A, slip knot, then sc around the flip flop straps, starting on one side and going all the way around. *Tip: Try to keep the sc tight, and regularly push the strands of thread down to keep the straps covered.* Also, try to keep the sc knots all facing one direction. At the end of the strap, finish off and weave in ends.



Using tail from beg of star and sewing needle, stitch star to center of flip flop through the middle of plastic straps. Finish off and weave in ends. Using hot glue gun, glue pendant to center of crocheted star.

Slip these flip flops on your tootsies—and you'll have everybody at the beach seeing stars. We wrapped the straps with crochet thread before stitching on the simple star appliqués. The sparklies are starfish pendants from the Jewelry Department.



A few feminine frills turned these boring flip flops into a full-on fashion statement. To get the look, crochet a pair of lacy strap covers. Then add a sprinkling of black gemstones, a couple of sweet crocheted rosettes and two off-the-shelf lace buttons.

If Bead Be

They'll call you twinkle toes every time these blinged-out flip flops catch the light. Want to make a pair? Just crochet around the existing straps, adding assorted beads as you work. Tip: For extreme sparkle, be sure to add some faceted beads to the mix.



COMING UP ROSETTES (pg. 8)

MATERIALS

- Artiste[™] #2 nylon thread (shown in Gray) 1 skein
- 1" Lace-covered buttons (2)
- · Gemstones (12)
- Sewing needle and thread
- · Pair of flip flops
- Crochet hook: Size E-4 (3.5 mm)
- · Hot glue

RUFFLED STRAP

Ch 79.

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook. Sc across.

Rows 2-3: Ch 1, turn. Sc in 2nd st from hook. Sc across.

Row 4: Ch 4. Sl st in 3rd st from hook. *Ch 4, sk 2 sts, sl st in 3rd st. Rep from * to end of row.

Row 5: Ch 1, turn. *4 sc in ch sp, sl st into st from previous row. Rep from * to end of row. Finish off and weave in ends

FLOWER (Make 2)

Ch 79.

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook. Sc in each ch to end of row.

Row 2: Ch 5, turn. SI st in 4th st from hook. *Ch 6, sk 3 sts, sI st in 4th st. Rep from * to end of row.

Row 3: Ch 2, turn. *6 sc in each ch sp, sl st into st from previous row. Rep from * to end of row. Finish off and weave in ends.

ASSEMBLY

Attach ruffle to flip flop using backstitch (hot glue/flip flop glue will also work). Using sewing needle, stitch through the rubber straps. To form flower, begin with one end and twist piece into a circle until flower starts to take shape. Stitch through until flower is secure. Stitch to center of flip flop. Using sewing needle and thread, sew desired beads or studs onto straps through crochet, not going through the rubber strap.

IF BEAD BE (pg. 8)

MATERIALS

- J&P Coats metallic Knit-Cro-Sheen® (shown in Gold) 1 skein
- · Beads, various shapes and sizes
- · Pair of flip flops
- Crochet hook: Size E-4 (3.5 mm)

String 14 beads on crochet thread (we used 1 square, 5 flat circles, 2 drops, 5 flat circles and 1 square).

STRAPS

Left Flip Flop: Begin with long strap. Work 16 sc around the strap facing the inner edge and starting as close to the edge as possible. Slide square bead to the front of the strap. (6 sc, slide flat circle bead, rep 5 times). 3 sc, slide drop bead. This is the last bead on long strap. Slide drop bead to begin short strap. 3 sc, slide flat circle bead (6 sc, slide flat circle bead, rep 4 times). 6 sc, slide square bead. Finish with 13 sc. The flip flop is wrapped with 7 beads on each side. Before continuing, work 13 and 16 sc in the opposite side of strap respectively.

Right Flip Flop: Begin with short strap. Follow Left Flip Flop instructions but begin with 13 sc and finish with 16 sc.

CENTER

String 13 beads (if desired) on crochet thread.

CROCHET BEADS

Leave last stitch of each dc incomplete, slide a bead to the front and finish dc.

Row 1: Facing right side, ch 2 into first flat circle bead sc, 1 dc into flip flop center, ch 2. SI st into first flat circle bead sc on opposite side, sI st in next 3 sc. Turn around.

Row 2: Ch 2, 1 dc into row 1 ch 2, ch 2, 1 dc into row 1 dc, ch 2, 1 dc into row 1 dc, ch 2, 1 dc into row 1 ch 2, ch 2, sl st in strap skipping 3 sc, sl st in next 3 sc.

The thread is now in second flat circle head sc. Turn around.

Row 3: Slide a bead, ch 2, 1 dc into row 2 1 dc, ch 2, 1 sc into row 2 1 dc, ch 2, 1 dc into row 2 1 dc, ch 2, 1 dc into row 2 1 dc, ch 2, slide a bead, sl st into second flat circle bead sc. sl st in next 3 sc. Turn around.

Row 4: Ch 2, 1 dc into row 3 first bead, ch 2, 1 dc into row 3 1 dc, ch 2, 1 dc into row 3 1 sc, ch 2, 1 dc into row 3 1 dc, ch 2, 1 dc into row 3 last bead, ch 2, sl st into strap skipping 3 sc. Turn around.

Row 5: 18 sc. Turn around.

Row 6: 18 sc.

Edging: Work 86 sc into inner edge sc of straps.



MATERIALS

- Artiste™ #2 nylon thread (shown in Neon Yellow) — 1 skein
- Plastic drapery rings, 1 1/2" and 3/4"
- Scissors
- · Sewing needle and thread
- · Pair of flip flops
- Crochet hook: Size 7 (1.65 mm)

SMALL RING (Make 12)

SI st around ring. Sc around ring 35 times. SI st to join.

LARGE RING (Make 6)

SI st around ring. Sc around ring 70 times. SI st to join.

TO CREATE STRAP

Stitch rings together, starting with 1 large ring at the center. On each side of large center ring, alternate stitching 1 small ring, 1 large ring and end with two small rings. To attach strap to flip flop sole, use scissors to clip off existing flip flop straps. Remove the bottom posts and set them aside. Thread string and attach posts to small ring through existing hole. Replace post. Pull string tight and finish off. Pierce through post using large needle, and stitch rings to sole of flip flop.





Brag Bag

Souvenir shopping? Sunscreen toting? You're definitely gonna need a bag. Join a stack of flower-decked granny squares to create this happy boho carryall. And if you're feeling super crafty, sew in a coordinating fabric lining. Go, granny, go!



INTO THE BLUE (pg. 11)

MATERIALS - SMALL BAG

- Artiste[™] #8 crochet cotton (shown in Royal and Turquoise),
 1.76 oz. skeins of 120.84 yds.
 Color 1 (A) - 4 skeins
 Color 2 (B) - 2 skeins
- · Yarn needle
- Crochet hook: Size E-4 (3.5 mm) or size needed to obtain gauge

GAUGE

Flower center of granny square = 1 3/4"

MATERIALS - LARGE BAG

 Artiste #8 crochet cotton (shown in Royal and Turquoise), 1.76 oz. skeins of 120.84 yds.

> Color 1 (A) - 8 skeins Color 2 (B) - 4 skeins

- Yarn needle
- Crochet hook: Size H-8 (5 mm) or size needed to obtain gauge

GAUGE

Flower center of granny square = 3''

DIRECTIONS FOR SMALL AND LARGE BAG

Note: This pattern is worked with two strands of thread for the large bag.

FLOWER GRANNY SQUARE

(Make 8)

With A, ch 6, sl st to form a ring.

Rnd 1: Ch 1, 16 sc into ring, sl st to join to beg ch.

Rnd 2: Ch 3 (counts as 1 sc, ch 2), *sk 1 st, 1 sc in next st, ch 2, rep from * around (8 ch 2 sps total). SI st to join to beg ch 3.

Rnd 3: SI st to ch 2 sp, ch 1, [1 sc, 3 dc] in same ch sp, *[1 sc, 3 dc] in next sp, rep from * around (8 petals total). SI st to join to beg ch.

Rnd 4: Ch 4 (counts as 1 sc, ch 3), *1 sc in bl of next sc, ch 3, rep from * around (8 ch sps total), making sure chains fall behind petals. Sl st to join to beg ch.

Rnd 5: Attach B in any ch sp, ch 3 (counts as first dc), [2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc] in same sp, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch sp, ch 1, *[3 dc, ch

3, 3 dc] in next ch sp, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch sp, ch 1, rep from * twice more. SI st to join to top of beg ch 3.

Rnd 6: SI st to corner, ch 3 (counts as first dc), [2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc] in same sp, ch 1, *[3 dc, ch 1] in next 2 sps, [3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc] in next sp, ch 1, [3 dc, ch 1] in next 2 sps, rep from * twice more. SI st to top of beg ch 3 to join. Finish off and weave in ends.

ASSEMBLY

With B and right sides facing, sc sides of squares together to make a ring of squares. Turn ring right side out and work 1 sc into each st, 1 sc into each ch 1 sp, and 2 sc into each corner sp around top and bottom of ring. Finish off and weave in ends.

BOTTOM OF BAG

Row 1: With A, ch 9, sc in second ch from hook and in each ch across (8 sc).

Rows 2-53: Ch 1, turn. 1 sc in each st across.

Note: To continue building the body of the bag, you will now be working in rounds.

Rnd 1: Attach B to any st of the bottom edge of bag, sc evenly around top, bottom, and sides of bottom rectangle (122 sc total). SI st to join to beginning.

Rnd 2: Attach A in any st, ch 3 (counts as 1 dc), 1 dc in each st around (122 dc total). SI st to top of beg ch 3 to join.

Rnd 3: Ch 4 (counts as first tr), 1 bptr in each st around. Sl st to top of beg ch 4 to join.

Rnd 4: Attach B in any sp, ch 3 (counts as first dc), 1 dc in next 2 sts, ch 1, sk 1 st, *1 dc in next 3 sts, ch 1, sk 1 st, rep from * around. SI st to join to top of beg ch 3. Rnd 5: Attach A in the first st of any 3 dc group, ch 1 (counts as 1 sc), 1 sc in next 2 sts, *1 dc in rnd 4 skipped st, 1 sc in next 3 sts, rep from * around. SI st to join to beg ch. Finish off and weave in ends.

ASSEMBLY

With A and with right sides of flower square band and bottom of bag facing, sc edge of bottom of bag to edge of flower square band. Finish off and weave in ends.

TOP OF BAG

Rnd 1: Attach B in any sp, ch 3 (counts as first dc), 1 dc in next 2 sts, ch 1, sk 1 st, *1 dc in next 3 sts, ch 1, sk 1 st, rep from * around. SI st to join to top of beg ch 3.

Rnd 2: Attach A in the first st of any 3 dc group, ch 1 (counts as 1 sc), 1 sc in next 2 sts, *1 dc in rnd 4 skipped st, 1 sc in next 3 sts, rep from * around. SI st to join to beg ch. Finish off and weave in ends.

Rnd 3: Ch 1, 1 sc in each st sround. SI st to join to beg ch.

Rnds 4-6: Rep rnds 1-3.

CIRCLE IN A SQUARE (Make 13)

With B, ch 4, sl st to form a ring.

Rnd 1: Ch 1, 12 sc into ring, sl st to join to beg.

Rnd 2: Ch 3 (counts as first dc), 1 dc in same st, 2 dc into each st around (24 dc total). SI st to join to top of beg ch 3.

Rnd 3: Attach A, ch 3 (counts as first dc), [1 dc, ch 3, 2 dc] in same st (one corner made), *1 dc, 1 hdc, 1 sc, 1 hdc, 1 dc, [2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc] in same st (second corner made), rep from * twice more, 1 dc, 1 hdc, 1 sc, 1 hdc, 1 dc, sl st to join to top of bea ch 3.

With A and right sides facing, sc sides of squares together, making a circle. With A and right side of band facing right side of bag, sc band to top of body of bag.

Note: Continue building the top of the bag by working in rounds as before.

Rnd 1: Attach A in any st, ch 1, 1 sc in each st around. SI st to join to beg ch 1.

Rnd 2: With B, ch 3 (counts as first dc), 1 dc in each st around. SI st to join to top of beg ch 3. Finish off and weave in ends.

STRAP

Row 1: With B, ch 9, sc in second ch from hook and in each st across (8 sc total).

Row 2: Ch 1, turn, 1 sc in each st across.

Rep row 2 until strap measures 7".

Change to A, rep row 2 for another 7".

Change to A, rep row 2 for another 7".
Change back to B, rep row 2 for another 7". Finish off and weave in ends

ASSEMBLY

With B and a yarn needle, sew strap to sides of bag. Finish off and weave in ends.

BRAG BAG (pg. 11)

MATERIALS

 Artiste™ #8 crochet cotton (shown in Purple, Red, Turquoise, Azalea, Lime Green and Navy) 1.76 oz. skeins of 120.84 yds.

Color 1 (A) - 2 skeins

Color 2 (B) - 2 skeins

Color 3 (C) - 2 skeins

Color 4 (D) - 2 skeins

Color 5 (E) - 2 skeins

Color 6 (F) - 2 skeins

- · Yarn needle
- · Fabric scissors
- Button
- · Heavy-duty sewing thread
- · Sewing needle
- · .25 yds. fabric
- Crochet hook: Size G-6 (4 mm) or size needed to obtain gauge

GAUGE

Flower center of square = 3 3/4"

SPECIAL STITCHES

Front post double crochet (fpdc): Yo, insert hook from front to back to front around post of stitch, complete dc.

Front post single crochet (fpsc): Insert hook from front to back to front around post of stitch, complete sc.

FLOWER SQUARES (Make 9)

Note: Pattern is worked holding two strands of yarn together.

Ch 4, sl st to form a ring.

Rnd 1: Ch 3 (counts as first dc now and throughout), 11 dc into ring (12 dc total). SI st to join to top of beg ch 3.

Rnd 2: Ch 3, fpdc around beg ch 3 of rnd 1, *dc in next dc, fpdc around same dc, rep from * around (12 fpdc total). SI st to join to top of beg ch 3.

Rnd 3: Ch 3, dc in same dc, fpdc around next fpdc, *2 dc in next dc, fpdc around next fpdc, rep from * around. SI st to join to top of beg ch 3.

Rnd 4: Ch 1, fpsc around last fpdc, ch 3, *fpsc around next fpdc, ch 3, rep from *

around. SI st to join to top of beg ch.

Rnd 5: Ch 1, 1 sc in same st, 4 dc in next ch sp, *1 sc in next fpsc, 4 dc in next ch sp, rep from * around. SI st to join to top of beg ch. Finish off and weave in ends.

Rnd 6: Working behind the flower petals and into rnd 3, attach new color, ch 3 (counts as first sc now and throughout, [2 sc, ch 2, 3 sc] into same st, 1 dc in next st, 1 hdc in next 2 sts, 1 sc in next 2 sts, 1 hdc in next 2 sts, 1 dc in next st, *[3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc] into same st, 1 dc in next st, 1 hdc in next 2 sts, 1 sc in next 2 sts, 1 hdc in next 2 sts, 1 sc in next 2 sts, 1 sc in next 3 sts, 1 hdc in next 2 sts, 1 sc in next 3 sts, 1 sc

Rnd 7: SI st into corner, ch 3, [2 sc, ch 2, 3 sc] into same st, 1 dc into each st to next corner, *[3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc] in corner, 1 dc into each st to next corner, rep from * twice more. SI st to top of beg ch 3 to join.

Rnd 8: Rep rnd 7. Finish off and weave in ends.

CREATING BAG

- Putting front sides together, follow Figure 1 (pg. 14) and sew edges of squares together. Once attached, fold square 7 in half toward back/ inside of bag and stitch down to create front of purse.
- 2. Stitch edges of square 4 and square 6 together.
- Stitch edges of squares 9, 4 and 2 together.
- 4. Stitch edges of squares 8, 2 and 1 together.

BAG HANDLE

Ch 102.

Row 1: Hdc in second st from ch. Hdc in each st to end of row. Ch 2, turn.

Row 2: Hdc in each st to end of row. Ch 2, turn.

Rows 3-15: Rep row 2.

Finish off and weave in ends.

ASSEMBLY

- Attach bag handle to tip of squares 5 and 2.
- 2. Attach button where the corners of squares 6, 7, 8 and 9 meet.
- 3. Attach a piece of yarn to tip of

square 3, and tie into a lp large enough for button. This will be used to loop the button and close the bag.

BAG LINING

- **4.** Using Figure 2 (pg. 15) and Figure 3 (pg. 16), cut 2 pieces of fabric each.
- Place right side of one front piece and one back piece together, and sew along bottom and sides.
- Do the same with other front and back, leaving approximately 4" opening in the bottom of the second set for turning.
- Place the first set inside the second with right sides together, and sew the top edges together. Clip the corners.
- Use 4" hole to flip the liner right side out. Press to iron seams.
- 9. Sew 4" hole closed.
- 10. Pin lining to bag.
- 11. Hand stitch lining into the bag.
- **12.** Tack the bag to lining in the center of each flower.

With right sides facing, sew edges of lining together on the dotted line (see Fig. 2 and 3). Sew lining to inside of bag.

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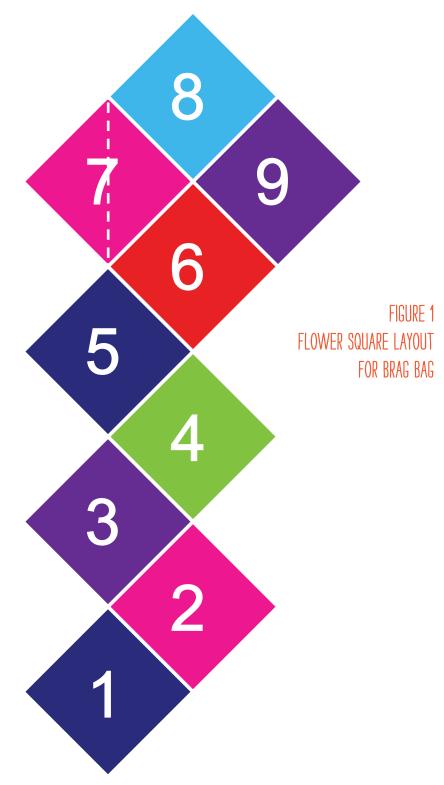


FIGURE 2 FRONT LINING TEMPLATE FOR BRAG BAG

