



CYGNET 100% COTTON DK
SUNFLOWER BAG
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Materials –

3.5 and 4mm crochet hook

2 x 100g balls Main Colour MC Vanilla Cream 2156 Cygnet 100% Cotton

1 ball each of 7 other contrast shades in Cygnet 100% Cotton

Measurements

Front and back panels measure approx. 12 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 17 in (32 x 43 cm)

Sides approx. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 42.5 in (11 x 108 cm)

Beg	beginning	Sl st	slip stitch	Sp	space
Ch	chain	Hdc	half double crochet	MC	main colour
St	stitch	Dc	double crochet		
Sc	single crochet	Tr	treble crochet		

Special Stitches

Beg Popcorn (beg PC): Ch 3, work 4 dc in space indicated in pattern, remove hook from the last loop and insert into the top of the beg ch 3. Insert hook back into the last loop and pull this loop through. Pull tight.

Popcorn (PC): Work 5 dc in space indicated in pattern, remove hook from the last loop and insert into the top of the first st. Insert hook back into the last loop and pull this loop through. Pull tight

Double Crochet 2 Together Cluster (dc2tog): In indicated space or st, work (yo, insert hook in space/st, yo and pull up loop, yo and pull through 2 loops on hook) twice, yo and pull through all 3 loops on hook.

Pattern Notes

Ch 3 at beginning of a row counts as 1 dc

Ch 1 at beginning of a row does not count as a stitch

Pattern written in US crochet terms

I do recommend you block your crochet squares when finished. It will make joining them together so much easier

Make sure to read the notes about the side panels before you start as it includes some helpful tips

Sunflower Granny Square (make 24)

Using first colour and 4mm hook, make a magic ring.

Round 1: Ch 3 (counts as 1 dc), 15 dc into ring, join with a sl st to 3rd ch of beginning ch 3. Pull ring closed and fasten off yarn – 16 dc

Round 2: Join next colour in any st, ch 3, 1 dc in same st (counts as 1 dc2tog), ch 1, [dc2tog, ch 1] in each st around. Join with a sl st to beg dc2tog. Fasten off yarn – 16 dc2tog, 16 ch-1

Round 3: Join next colour in any ch-1 space, make a **beg PC** (see *special stitches*), ch 2, *PC in next ch-1 sp, ch 2; repeat from * 14 times. Join with a sl st to beg PC. Fasten off yarn – 16 PC, 16 ch-2

Round 4: Join next color in any ch-2 sp, ch 3, 2 dc in same sp, * [2 tr, ch 2, 2 tr] in next ch-2 sp, 3 dc in next ch-2 sp, 3 hdc in next ch-2 sp, ** 3 dc in next ch-2 sp; rep from * 3 times, ending last rep at **, join with a sl st to 3rd ch of beginning ch 3. Fasten off yarn.

Round 5: Join MC in any st, ch 1, make 1 sc in each stitch around, [2 sc, ch 1, 2 sc] in each corner ch-2 sp, join with a sl st to beg sc – 68 sc (17 sc each side)

Sides and Bottom of Bag (Gusset)

Notes

The gusset strip for the side of the bag is made using single crochet stitches in one long strip. You can choose to use a solid colour or in multiple colours. If using all the colours from the squares in a random way, change colour every 3 rows.

Don't complete your strip until you have already joined the long strip to the front and back panels. That way if you need to add more rows or remove some rows, it will be much easier to work !

Gusset Strip

Using 4mm hook ch 19

Row 1: 1 sc in 2nd ch from hook, 1 sc in each st across – 18 sc

Row 2: Ch 1, 1 sc in each st across – 18 sc

Repeat Row 2, changing colors every 3 rows for a total of approx. 180 rows (see notes above)

Bag Panel Assembly

Make 2 panels

Lay out squares in rows of 4 x 3

Horizontal Join – Using your main color and 4mm hook, take the 1st square of row 1 and the 1st square of Row 2, and holding RS together, make a sl st join (loosely) in both loops, in each st of both squares across. Fasten off – 68 sl st

Join the 3rd row in the same way until you have 3 strips with 4 squares in each.

Vertical Join – Turn partially joined panel and work the un-joined squares in the same way as the Horizontal Seams. Fasten off and weave in ends.

You will now have 2 panels with 12 squares in each. Block each panel as this will make them flatter and even out any uneven parts.



Joining the Pieces for the Bag Together

You will now join one side of the gusset around 2 sides and the bottom edge of one of your panels. You will use a sc seam on the right side (outside edge) of each piece.

It is important to take your time and pin in place carefully, making sure not to over stretch or pull too tight.

- With RS of one panel facing out, position the side gusset around 3 sides, making sure all is lined up neatly. Pin all pieces together or use a stitch marker.
- Using MC and 4mm hook, attach yarn to top corner, insert your hook through the 1st sc of your panel and the 1st row end of your gusset, ch 1, sc down one side, joining both pieces together. Maintain an even tension and consistent stitch placement.
- When you reach the corner where the side gusset meets the bottom gusset, continue the single crochet seam along the bottom edge, smoothly turning the corner to connect the side gusset with the bottom gusset.
- Continue working the single crochet seam along the bottom of the bag and up the 2nd side.
- Fasten off your yarn and weave in any loose ends on the inside of the bag using a yarn needle. Repeat to add the 2nd panel to the opposite side of the gusset.

Top Edging of Bag

Round 1: With MC and a 3.5mm hook, join in any square, ch 1, work 1 sc in each st, around top of bag. Join with a sl st to beg sc. (You will work 17 sc in each square and 18 sc in side gusset)

Rounds 2 – 8: Ch 1, 1 sc in each st around. Join with a sl st to beg sc. Fasten off yarn.

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