ESSENTIAL STRING SHOPPING BAG



PAINTBOX YARNS

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beginner

MEASUREMENTS

- Diameter 8in/20cm
- Height 12½in/32cm
- Short handle length 5in/13cm
- Long handle length 16½in/42cm

YOU WILL NEED

Yarn available at lovecrafts.com

- 31/2oz/100g balls of Paintbox Yarns Recycled Cotton Worsted:
  - 2 balls in either Night Blue, String or Steel Blue
- US 7 *(4.5mm)* crochet hook

GAUGE *(TENSION)*

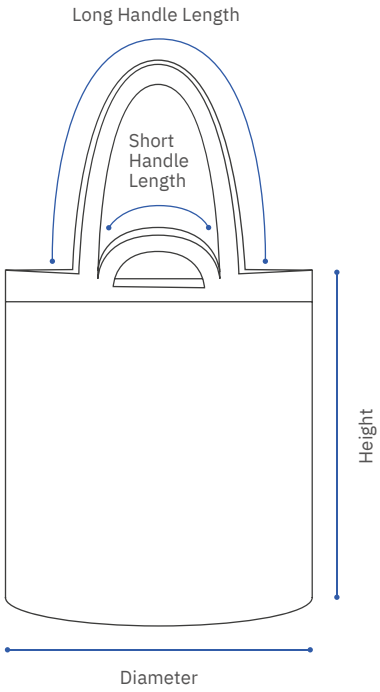
18 sts and 17 rows to 4in/10cm of single *(double)* crochet, using a US 7 *(4.5mm)* hook or size needed to obtain correct gauge *(tension)*.
30 stitches and 8 rows measured over 4in/10cm of net stitch, using a US 7 *(4.5mm)* hook or size needed to obtain correct gauge *(tension)*.

ABBREVIATIONS

ch chain
chsp chain space
cm centimeters
dc*(tr)* double *(treble)* crochet
g grams
hdc*(htr)* half double *(half treble)* crochet
in inches
mm millimeters
oz ounces
sc*(dc)* single *(double)* crochet
sl st slip stitch
st/s stitch/es
tog together

GOOD TO KNOW

- Paintbox Yarns cannot accept responsibility for the finished item if any yarn other than the recommended yarn is used.
- Yarn quantities are based on average requirements and are therefore approximate.
- Instructions are written using US terminology with UK terminology given in italics in round brackets *( )* afterwards.
- Repeat figures in square brackets [ ] the number of times stated afterwards.
- Where only one figure is given, this relates to all sizes.
- Where the figure 0 appears, no stitches, times or rows are worked for this size.



BAG

Using a US 7 *(4.5mm)* crochet hook make a magic loop, 6 sc*(dc)* in loop.

1st round 2 sc*(dc)* in each st around.
| 12 sts.

2nd round [2 sc*(dc)* in next st, 1 sc*(dc)*] 6 times.
| 18 sts.

3rd round [1 sc*(dc)*, 2 sc*(dc)* in next st, 1 sc*(dc)*] 6 times.
| 24 sts.

4th round [2 sc*(dc)* in next st, 3 sc*(dc)*] 6 times.
| 30 sts.

5th round [2 sc*(dc)*, 2 sc*(dc)* in next st, 2 sc*(dc)*] 6 times.
| 36 sts.

6th round [2 sc*(dc)* in next st, 5 sc*(dc)*] 6 times.
| 42 sts.

7th round [3 sc*(dc)*, 2 sc*(dc)* in next st, 3 sc*(dc)*] 6 times.
| 48 sts.

8th round [2 sc*(dc)* in next st, 7 sc*(dc)*] 6 times.
| 54 sts.

9th round [4 sc*(dc)*, 2 sc*(dc)* in next st, 4 sc*(dc)*] 6 times.
| 60 sts.

10th round [2 sc*(dc)* in next st, 9 sc*(dc)*] 6 times.
| 66 sts.

11th round [5 sc*(dc)*, 2 sc*(dc)* in next st, 5 sc*(dc)*] 6 times.
| 72 sts.

12th round [2 sc*(dc)* in next st, 11 sc*(dc)*] 6 times.
| *78 sts.*
13th round [6 sc*(dc)*, 2 sc*(dc)* in next st, 6 sc*(dc)*] 6 times.
| *84 sts.*
14th round [2 sc*(dc)* in next st, 13 sc*(dc)*] 6 times.
| *90 sts.*
15th round [7 sc*(dc)*, 2 sc*(dc)* in next st, 7 sc*(dc)*] 6 times.
| *96 sts.*
16th round [2 sc*(dc)* in next st, 15 sc*(dc)*] 6 times.
| *102 sts.*
17th round [8 sc*(dc)*, 2 sc*(dc)* in next st, 8 sc*(dc)*] 6 times.
| *108 sts.*
18th round [2 sc*(dc)* in next st, 17 sc*(dc)*] 6 times.
| *114 sts.*
19th round [9 sc*(dc)*, 2 sc*(dc)* in next st, 9 sc*(dc)*] 6 times.
| *120 sts.*
Change to second ball - this prevents a join in the net stitch.
Net stitch set up round 1 sc*(dc)*, [ch 5, skip 3, 1 sc*(dc)* in next st] 29 times, ch 2, 1 dc*(tr)* in first st st of round.
Net stitch round Ch 1, 1 sc*(dc)* in top of dc*(tr)* at end of previous round, [ch 5, 1 sc*(dc)* in centre of 5 chsp] 29 times, ch 2, 1 dc*(tr)* in first st of the round.
This round sets net stitch.
Continue in net stitch for a total of 10½in/27cm (22 rounds).
Next round Ch 1, 1 sc*(dc)* in top of dc*(tr)* at end of previous round, [ch 4, 1 sc*(dc)* in centre of 5 chsp] 29 times, ch 2, 1 dc*(tr)* in first st of the round.
Next round Ch 1, 1 sc*(dc)* in top of dc*(tr)* at end of previous round, [ch 3, 1 sc*(dc)* in centre of 4 chsp] 29 times, ch 2, 1 sc*(dc)* in first st of the round.
Next round Ch 1, 1 sc*(dc)* in top of dc*(tr)* at end of previous round, [ch 3, 1 sc*(dc)* in centre of 3 chsp] 29 times, ch 3, sl st in first st of the round.
Next round Ch 1, [1 sc*(dc)* in st, 3 sc*(dc)* in chsp] 30 times, sl st in first st to join round.
| *120 sts.*
Next round Ch 1, sc*(dc)* around, sl st in first st to join round.

NOTE

To change handle lengths, simply work more or fewer chains at either side of the bag to your desired length as part of the next round.

SHORT HANDLE

Next round Ch 1, 19 sc*(dc)*, ch 22, skip 22 sts, 38 sc*(dc)*, ch 22, skip 22, 19 sc*(dc)*, sl st in first st to join round. Next round Ch 1, 19 sc*(dc)*, 24 sc*(dc)* into chsp, 38 sc*(dc)*, 24 sc*(dc)* into chsp, 19 sc*(dc)*, sl st in first st to join round. Next round Ch 1, 18 sc*(dc)*, sc*(dc)* 2 tog, 22 sc*(dc)*, sc*(dc)* 2 tog, 36 sc*(dc)*, sc*(dc)* 2 tog, 22 sc*(dc)*, sc*(dc)* 2 tog, 18 sc*(dc)*, sl st in first st to join round. Next round Ch 1, sc*(dc)* around, sl st in first st to join round.
Cut and secure yarn.

LONG HANDLE

Next round Ch 1, 18 sc *(dc)*, ch 70, skip 24 sts, 36 sc*(dc)*, ch 70, skip 24 sts, 18 sc*(dc)*, sl st in first st to join round. Next round Ch 1, 18 sc*(dc)*, 76 sc*(dc)* in chsp, 36 sc*(dc)*, 76 sc*(dc)* in chsp, 18 sc*(dc)*, sl st in first st to join round. Next round Ch 1, 17 sc*(dc)*, sc*(dc)* 2 tog, 74 sc*(dc)*, sc*(dc)* 2 tog, 34 sc*(dc)*, sc*(dc)* 2 tog, 74 sc*(dc)* in chsp, sc*(dc)* 2tog, 17 sc*(dc)*, sl st in fir st st to join round. Next round Ch 1, sc*(dc)* around, sl st in first st to join round.
Cut and secure yarn.

BOTH HANDLES

Short handle set up Replace hook with a st marker, without cutting yarn, join other ball of yarn to 19th st of round with a sl st, ch 22, skip 22 sts, sl st in next st. Cut yarn leaving a tail. Count a further 36 sts, join yarn to next st with a sl st, ch 22, skip 22 sts, sl st in next st, cut yarn leaving a tail. Next round Add hook back to yarn at beg of round, ch 1,
19 sc*(dc)*, 24 sc*(dc)* in chsp, 38 sc*(dc)*, 24 sc*(dc)* in chsp, 19 sc*(dc)*, sl st in first st to join round. Next round Ch 1, 18 sc*(dc)*, sc*(dc)* 2 tog, 22 sc*(dc)*, sc*(dc)* 2 tog, 36 sc*(dc)*, sc*(dc)* 2 tog, 22 sc*(dc)* in chsp, sc*(dc)* 2tog, 18 sc*(dc)*, sl st in first st to join round. Next round Ch 1, sc*(dc)* around, sl st in first st to join round.

Long handle set up Replace hook with a st marker, without cutting yarn, join other ball of yarn to 18th st of round with a sl st, *ch 70, skip 24 sts, sl st in next st, turn, skip sl st, 76 sc*(dc)* in chsp, working in sl st and next st; sc*(dc)* 2 tog, turn, skip sc*(dc)* 2 tog, 76 sc*(dc)*, working in sl st and next st, sc*(dc)* 2 tog, turn, skip sc*(dc)* 2 tog, sl st in next st. Cut yarn leaving a tail.** Count a further 34 sts, join yarn to next st with a sl st, work from * to **.
Next round Add hook back to yarn at beg of round, ch 1, sc*(dc)* around, sl st in first st to join round. Cut and secure yarn.







