

Bloomin' Bag



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This is my take on the Everbloom Bag from Anthropologie™.

Instructions for two different base sizes are included. You can also adjust the base size by working fewer rounds, but be sure to end on a round where the stitch count is evenly divisible by 3.

Yarn and hook choice will affect size of finished bag.

Basic Stitch Abbreviations:

sc	single crochet	sk	skip
dc	double crochet	rnd	round
sl st	slip stitch	st	stitch
ch	chain		

Special Stitch: Crossed Stitch (CS) - skip one st, dc in next st, dc in skipped st



Base of Bag: Base is worked in the continuous rounds, mark last st of each round, but do not join.

Option 1: (with worsted weight yarn and an H hook you should get a base that measures approx 15-1/2" x 4-1/2") Original bag made using DK weight yarn and a G hook, base size approx. 11-1/2" x 3-1/2".

Symbol Key: V = 2 sc in a single sc; I = 1 sc; a number indicates a consecutive number of sc; 1 in each st.

Rnd 1: Ch 38. sc into the 2nd ch from the hook, sc into the next 35 chs, 4 sc into the last ch (40 st).

Working on the other side of the ch, sc into the next 35 st, 3 sc into the last sc. (78 st).

Rnd 2: V V 35 V V V V 35 V V (86 st)

Rnd 3: V I V 36 V I V I V I V 36 V I V I (94 st)

Rnd 4: I V I V 39 V I V 2 V I V 39 V I V I (102 st)

Rnd 5: 2 V I V 41 V I V 4 V I V 41 V I V 2 (110 st)

Rnd 6: 3 V I V 43 V I V 6 V I V 43 V I V 3 (118 st)

Rnd 7: 4 V I V 45 V I V 8 V I V 45 V I V 4 (126 st)

Rnd 8: 5 V I V 47 V I V 10 V I V 47 V I V 5 (134 st)

Rnd 9: 6 V I V 49 V I V 12 V I V 49 V I V 6 (142 st)

Rnd 10: 7 V I V 51 V I V 14 V I V 51 V I V 7 (150 st)

Option 2: (with worsted weight yarn and an H hook you should get a base approx. the size of the original Anthropologie™ bag – 22-1/2" x 6-1/4")

Symbol Key: V = 2 sc in a single sc; I = 1 sc; a number indicates a consecutive number of sc; 1 in each st.

Rnd 1: Ch 50. sc into the 2nd ch from the hook, sc into the next 47 chs, 4 sc into the last ch (52 st).

Working on the other side of the ch, sc into the next 47 st, 3 sc into the last sc. (102 st)

Rnd 2: V V 47 V V V V 47 V V (110 st)

Rnd 3: V I V 48 V I V I V I V 48 V I V I (118 st)

Rnd 4: I V I V 51 V I V 2 V I V 51 V I V I (126 st)

Rnd 5: 2 V I V 53 V I V 4 V I V 53 V I V 2 (134 st)

Rnd 6: 3 V I V 55 V I V 6 V I V 55 V I V 3 (142 st)

Rnd 7: 4 V I V 57 V I V 8 V I V 57 V I V 4 (150 st)

Rnd 8: 5 V I V 59 V I V 10 V I V 59 V I V 5 (158 st)

Rnd 9: 6 V I V 61 V I V 12 V I V 61 V I V 6 (166 st)

Rnd 10: 7 V I V 63 V I V 14 V I V 63 V I V 7 (174 st)

Rnd 11: 8 V I V 65 V I V 16 V I V 65 V I V 8 (182 st)

Rnd 12: 9 V I V 67 V I V 18 V I V 67 V I V 9 (190 st)

Rnd 13: 10 V I V 69 V I V 20 V I V 69 V I V 10 (198 st)

Bag

The rounds with sc will be worked again in continuous rounds, marking the last stitch. Sl st at the end of Rnds 4 and 5 only.

Rnds 1 - 3: Sc into each sc around.

Rnd 4: Sc into each sc around, sl st into first sc to join ch 1.

Rnd 5: CS over 1st 2 sc (this includes the 1st sc with sl st), ch 1, sk 1 sc, *CS, ch 1, sk 1 sc repeat from * around, ending with Ch 1. Sl st into 1st st of rnd, ch 1.

Rnd 6: Sc into sl st, sc in dc, * sc into ch 1 sp, sc into next 2 dc, repeat from * around (do not join, mark last st).

Rnds 7 – 8: Sc in each sc around, marking last stitch of rnd.

Rnds 9- 24: Repeat Rnds 5-8; 4 more times **Note:** When working Rnd 5, make sure the CS sts line up with each other; work an extra sc at the beginning of the rnd to shift the sts if needed.

Rnd 25: Repeat Rnd 5

Rnd 26: Repeat Rnd 6

Rnds 27-31: Sc in each sc around, marking last stitch of rnd. Sl st to end off at the end of Rnd 31.

Straps

Go down 1 hook size from the one used for the bag.

Make 2

Ch 6

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc into next 4 st. Ch 1, turn. (5 sc)

Rows 2 – 95: Sc in each sc. Ch 1, turn. At the end of Rnd 95, rotate piece and sc evenly up the side, sl st to fasten off when you reach the end of the strap. Keeping right side up, sl st to join at other edge and sc across to the other end of strap, sl st to end off. (Another option is to sc evenly around the entire strap, working 3 sc in each corner.)

To create the rounded part of the strap: Lay strap flat; place markers at Rows 23 and 72 (check measurement and make sure it is the same from each end of strap). Fold strap with wrong sides together; sew between markers with seam side to the inside.

With strap seams facing the inside, overlap the straps with the length (5 sc rows) of top band on the inside of the bag, approx 3-1/2" from each side. Using sewing thread, sew straps to bag.

Finishing

Crochet a flower of your choice and sew or pin it to the center of the bag. Line with fabric of your choice to just under the edge of the top band of sc rows, covering strap overlap. Add magnetic snap closure if desired.

Flower Suggestion: *Five Petal Flower* by Julie Holetz at skamama.com. If the flower isn't as large as you would like, go up a hook size. Embellish flower with beads or another adornment of your choice.

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