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## Skill Level

Easy

## Finished Sizes

14" (36cm) L, not including handle

14" (36cm) circumference at widest point

## Materials



- Willow Yarns™ Fawn Worsted (50% rayon from bamboo/50% acrylic; 50g/99yd)
  - 731281-0013 Fruit Punch (1 ball): A
  - 731281-0007 Orange Peel (1 ball): B
  - 731281-0008 Scrambled (1 ball): C
  - 731281-0018 Shamrock (1 ball): D
  - 731281-0010 Swimming Pool (1 ball): E
  - 731281-0016 Foxglove (1 ball): F
- US size H-8 (5mm) crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Yarn needle

## Gauge

16 sc x 14 rows= 4" (10.2cm)

*Save time, check your gauge.*

## Stitch Guide

**dc2tog (double crochet 2 together):** (Yo, insert hook in next st, yo, pull through 2 lps) twice, yo, pull through 3 lps on hook.

**sc2tog (single crochet 2 together):** (Draw up a lp in the next st) twice, yo and draw through all 3 lps on hook.

## Pattern Note

- When changing colors, work st to final (yo and pull through), pick up next color and pull through rem sts on hook to complete st.

## Instructions

### Body

With A, ch 2, 6 sc in second ch from hook, sl st to first sc to join.

**Note:** The following rnds are now worked in back lp of sc.

**Rnd 1:** Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around, sl st to first sc to join—12 sc.

**Rnds 2-4:** Ch 1, sc in each sc around, sl st to first sc to join.

**Rnd 5:** Ch 1, \*2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts; rep from \* around, sl st to first sc to join—16 sc.

**Rnd 6:** Ch 1, sc in each sc around, sl st to first sc to join.

**Rnd 7:** Ch 1, \*2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts; rep from \* around, sl st to first sc to join—20 sc.

**Rnds 8-9:** Ch 1, sc in each sc around, sl st to first sc to join.

**Rnd 10:** Ch 1, \*2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts; rep from \* around, sl st to first sc to join—24 sc.

**Rnd 11:** Ch 1, sc in each sc around, sl st to first sc to join.

**Rnd 12:** Ch 1, \*2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts; rep from \* around, sl st to first sc to join—28 sc.

**Rnds 13-14:** Ch 1, sc in each sc around, sl st to first sc to join.

**Rnd 15:** Ch 1, \*2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts; rep from \* around, sl st to first sc to join—32 sc.

**Rnds 16:** Ch 1, sc in each sc around, sl st to first sc to join.

**Rnd 17:** Ch 1, \*2 sc in next st, sc in next 7 sts; rep from \* around, sl st to first sc to join—36 sc.

**Rnds 18-19:** Ch 1, sc in each sc around, sl st to first sc to join.

**Rnd 20:** Ch 1, \*2 sc in next st, sc in next 8 sts; rep from \* around, sl st to first sc to join—40 sc.

**Rnds 21:** Ch 1, sc in each sc around, sl st to first sc to join.

**Rnd 22:** Ch 1, \*2 sc in next st, sc in next 9 sts; rep from \* around, sl st to first sc to join—44 sc.

**Rnds 23:** Ch 1, sc in each sc around, sl st to first sc to join.

**Note:** Remainder of purse is worked through both lps of st.

**Rnd 24:** Ch 1, \*2 sc in next st, sc in next 10 sts; rep from \* around, sl st to first sc to join—48 sc.

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**Rnd 25:** Ch 1, \*2 sc in next st, sc in next 11 sts; rep from \* around, sl st to first sc to join—52 sc.

**Rnd 26:** With B, ch 1, (sc, 2 dc) in first st, sk next 2 sts, \*(sc, 2 dc) in next st, sk next 2 sts; rep from \* around, sl st to first sc to join.

**Rnd 27:** With C, ch 1, (sc, 2 dc) in each sc around, sl st to first sc to join.

Rep Rnd 27 for the following Rnds, changing to color noted below for each rnd.

**Rnd 28:** D

**Rnd 29:** E

**Rnd 30:** F

**Rnd 31:** B

**Rnd 32:** C

**Rnd 33:** D

**Rnd 34:** E

**Rnd 35:** F

**Rnds 36-38:** With A, ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st to first sc to join. Fasten off. Weave in all ends.

## Handle

With A, ch 7.

**Row 1:** Sc in second ch from hook and in each ch across. Turn—6 sc.

**Rows 2-80:** Ch 1, sc in each sc across. Turn. Fasten off at end of Row 80, leaving a long tail for sewing.

## Tail

With F, ch 17.

**Row 1:** Dc in fourth ch from hook and in each ch across—14 dc. Turn.

**Row 2:** Ch 1, sc in next 12 sc, sc2tog—13 sc. Turn.

**Row 3:** Ch 3 (does not count as st here and throughout), dc2tog, dc in next 5 sts, hdc in next 3 sts, sc in last 3 sts—12 sts. Turn.

**Row 4:** Ch 1, sc in next 10 sc, sc2tog—11 sc. Turn.

**Row 5:** Ch 3, dc2tog, dc in next 4 sts, hdc in next 3 sts, sc in last 2 sts—10 sts. Turn.

**Row 6:** Ch 1, sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog—9 sts.

**Row 7:** Ch 3, dc2tog, dc in next 3 sts, hdc in next 2 sts, sc in last 2 sts. Turn.

**Row 8:** Ch 1, sc in each st across—8 sts. Turn.

**Row 9:** Ch 3, 2 dc in first st, dc in next 3 sts, hdc in next 2 sts, sc in last 2 sts—9 sts. Turn.

**Row 10:** Ch 1, sc in next 8 sts, 2 sc in last st—10 sc. Turn.

**Row 11:** Ch 3, 2 dc in first st, dc in next 4 sts, hdc in next 3 sts, sc in last 2 sts—11 sts. Turn.

**Row 12:** Ch 1, sc in next 10 sts, 2 sc in last st—12 sc. Turn.

**Row 13:** Ch 3, 2 dc in first st, dc in next 5 sts, hdc in next 3 sts, sc in last 3 sts—13 sts. Turn.

**Row 14:** Ch 1, sc in next 12 sts, 2 sc in last st—14 sts. Turn.

**Row 15:** Ch 3, dc in each st across—14 sts. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

## Finishing

To attach handle, from beg of Rnd 38, count out 10 sts, attached bottom part of handle in next 6 sts, move 20 more sts around body of purse and attach top of handle in next 6 sts, being sure not to twist handle. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Using the long tail from fastening off, sew tail on bottom of body, referring to picture for placement. Fasten off any extra yarn and weave in all ends.

## ABBREVIATIONS

<b>beg:</b> begin/beginning	<b>rnd/rnds:</b> round/rounds
<b>ch/chs:</b> chain/chains	<b>sc:</b> single crochet
<b>cm:</b> centimeter	<b>sk:</b> skip
<b>dc:</b> double crochet	<b>sl st:</b> slip stitch
<b>hdc:</b> half double crochet	<b>st/sts:</b> stitch/stitches
<b>lp/lps:</b> loop/loops	<b>yo:</b> yarn over
<b>rep:</b> repeat/repeats	