



Lorrie Bag (Crochet)

with YouTube Help Video

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Here is a nice and simple - yet elegant - handbag. It is made with two strands of yarn held together to create a sturdy bag. The bag is made flat and then sewn along the sides. A pre-purchased set of purse handles, magnetic clasp, and decorative buttons give the bag a nice, finished look. Check out the how-to video on the Naztazia YouTube channel here: <http://youtube.com/naztazia> And feel free to Pin photos or check out other info at: <http://naztazia.com>

Materials:

2 balls Bernat Maker Home Dec. Sample color is Clay.

Size I (5.5mm) hook. Scissors. Yarn needle. Sewing needle & thread (if using a lining).

Small amounts of black yarn to sew on button and handles.

Magnetic purse clasp. Two 1.5" buttons. Purse handles (sample is 8.5"W x 5"H).

Optional lining material (craft felt is sturdy and does not fray).

Visit <http://naztazia.com> for supply info.

Size/Gauge

12"W x 9"H excluding handles. Gauge: 12 stitches and 12 rows = 4" sq.

Terminology:

CH = chain	SC = single crochet	RPT = repeat	ST = stitch
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Instructions:

Watch the YouTube tutorial video here: <http://youtube.com/naztazia> Look for "Lorrie Bag."

Leave a long 24-inch tail end (used for sewing the side seam later). With 2 strands of yarn held together, make a slipknot, then CH 46.

ROW 1: Skip the first CH, and SC across. CH 1, turn. (Total = 45 SC)

ROW 2-30: SC across, back loops only. CH 1, turn.

ROW 31: SC across, back loops only. Leaving a 24-inch long tail end for sewing the side seam, fasten off the yarn.

Pivot the work so the rows form vertical lines on the table. Holding the bottom edge, fold the work in half, upwards. Use the beginning tail end to sew the one side, and the ending tail end for the other side. Cut and weave in all ends.

With 2 strands of yarn again, place a slip knot on your hook.

RNDs 1-3: SC evenly around the top edge (under both loops). Slip stitch to first ST. Fasten off. Cut and weave in all ends.

CLASP:

Insert magnetic clasp onto handbag according to the instructions on the clasp's package.

OPTIONAL LINING:

While the handbag is sufficiently sturdy without a lining, you can insert one if desired. An easy method is to use craft felt. Craft felt is sturdy, washable, and can be easily cut. Also, it does not fray. Cut the lining slightly smaller than the size of the inside of the bag. Sew both sides together. Sew the bottom section. Insert lining into handbag and hand sew to the bag.

FINISH:

Sew on handles to bag. Sew on decorative buttons to cover clasp hardware.