



Bohemian Clutch (Crochet)

with YouTube Help Video

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Here's a smaller handbag that is part bohemian, part evening bag, part flowers, part buttons, part tassels, and lots of fun. 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 of Red Heart Crochet Nylon Size 18 in Natural. Each ball is 150 yds/100% nylon.

Two crochet hooks, one Size G (4 mm or 4.25 mm) for the main clutch & one steel hook 1.6 mm (or any size that fits through the button holes) for the flowers. Sewing & Yarn Needles. Scissors. 3-4 paperclips (or other stitch markers). Tape measure.

1 sheet 9"x12" craft felt and 1 sheet 9"x12" plastic canvas for lining (optional)

One decorative button (for main closure)

Six 3/4-inch 4-hole buttons for flower centers.

J&J Coats embroidery floss - 1 skein: orange, yellow, green, hot pink. 2 skeins: red, turquoise.

Size/Gauge

Finished size: 10"/25.4 cm W x 7"/17.8 cm H Clutch Body Gauge: 16 ST x 20 rows = 4"/10.2 cm

Terminology:

B/W = Between	CH = Chain	DC = Double Crochet	RND = Round
RPT = Repeat	SC = Single Crochet	SLST = Slip Stitch	ST = Stitch

Instructions:

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Clutch - Body:

With crochet nylon and size G hook, make a slipknot. CH 41.

RND 1: 3 SC in 2nd CH from hook. 1 SC in each ST across, stopping before last ST. In last ST, 3 SC. Working on other side of CH, 1 SC in each ST. Do not SLST.

RNDs 2-32: Working in spirals, 1 SC around. After the 3rd RND, use a paperclip to mark the starting side of clutch on RND 1. On RND 32, end on the starting side's folded corner (RND 32's starting ST may have drifted a few STs over from that corner).

Do not cut yarn. Flatten clutch on table. Use a paperclip to mark the top edge of the other folded side. Proceed with the flap.

Clutch – Flap

ROW 1: Continuing where you left off with the body, CH 1. Turn work. 1 SC across until paperclip.

ROWS 2-18: CH 1. Turn work. 1 SC across.

Once completed, cut and weave in ends. Optional: connect yarn to the body of the clutch which meets the flap and make a reverse single crochet around the entire flap edge. Sew on decorative button to the body right below the flap. Insert lining and plastic canvas supports if desired.

Flowers – make 6

First Flower:

With 1 skein of embroidery floss, slipknot.

RND 1: SC in a button hole. CH 5. *SC in next button hole. CH 5.* RPT B/W * and * around. SLST to 1st SC.

RND 2: CH 1. *In next SP, make 1 SC, 3 DC, CH 5, 3 DC, 1 SC.* RPT B/W * and * around. SLST to 1st SC. Cut and weave ends.

Remaining Flowers:

RND 1: RPT basic info and RND 1 above.

RND 2: CH 1. *In next SP, make 1 SC, 3 DC, CH 3, connect to previous flower's corner, CH 2, 3 DC, 1 SC.* RPT B/W * and * once more. ** In next SP, make 1 SC, 3 DC, CH 5, 3 DC, 1 SC.** RPT B/W ** and ** once more. SLST to 1st SC. Cut and weave ends.

Sew or hot glue your strip of flowers across the flap.

Wrist strap

Crochet an i-cord, beginning with 4 chains.

Button wrap

CH approximately 32" (this may need to be altered depending upon your bag). Fold in half, connect to flap in the center, go down and around purse, then securely knot the ends underneath the button for a snug fit.

Tassels

Make 2 tassels and knot them to the flap for decorative purposes.