



# Jersey Purse (Crochet)

with YouTube Help Video

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This Jersey Purse is made with a soft yet sturdy tubular t-shirt jersey knit fabric – hence the name! The yarn creates a lovely stitch definition. It's a pretty simple handbag and uses a stitch that is a modified version of what's known in crochet as the moss stitch, linen stitch, or granite stitch. Check out the how-to video on the Naztazia YouTube channel here:

<http://youtube.com/nasztazia> And feel free to Pin photos or check out other info at:  
<http://nasztazia.com>

### Materials:

2 balls of Red Heart Strata (bulky weight #5 jersey knit tubular yarn). Each ball contains 95 yds/86 m. Sample color is Coral.

Crochet Hook – Size K (6.5 mm). Sewing needle (for weaving in ends). Scissors.

One 1" (2.54 cm) button

Purse handles (6.5" x 5" – 16.5 cm x 12.7 cm)

### Size/Gauge

Finished size: 10" (25.4 cm) x 7" (17.8 cm)

Gauge = 9 rows x 12 ST = 4"/10.16 cm

### Terminology:

CH = Chain	RND = Round	RPT = Repeat
SC = Single Crochet	SK = Skip / Miss	ST = Stitch

### Instructions:

Watch the YouTube tutorial video here: <http://youtube.com/nasztazia>

Note: pattern uses a modified "moss" or "linen" or "granite" stitch. Traditional moss stitch consists of SC, CH-1, SK ST, SC, CH-1, etc. And then following row/round SCs are placed in CH-1 spaces, while CH-1s are placed over SCs. However, with this version, subsequent row's single crochet stitches will be placed not in the previous round's CH-1 space, but instead under the top 2 loops of the two-rows-below single crochet stitch (which lies directly under the CH-1 space). This helps eliminate gaps created by the traditional ch-1 spaces.

Also, it's a good idea to mark each round's first stitch, at least for the first 4 rounds.

Slipknot. CH 32

**RND 1:** 2 SC in 2nd CH from hook. 1 SC in next 29 CHs. 3 SC in last CH. Pivot, working on other side of initial CH. 1 SC in next 29 CHs.

**RND 2:** 1 SC around.

**RND 3:** SC in 1st ST. \*CH 1, SK next ST, SC in next ST\* around. (For this RND, you will both begin and end with a SC. Subsequent RNDs will alternate CH-1s and SCs in a more consistent manner).

**RND 4:** CH 1. \*SK next ST, SC in next ST, CH 1\* around.

From now on, the pattern will use the modified moss/granite/linen stitch as mentioned above:

**RND 5:** SC in SC below CH-1. \*CH 1, SK next ST, SC in SC below CH-1\* around.

Continue working in spiral rounds --- alternating CH-1s and modified SCs --- for a total of 32 RNDs.

**Finish:**

Continue in pattern until the center-back of bag. CH 10 (more or less) for the button loop. Continue in pattern until nearest side, slip stitch to neatly finish, cut and weave in all ends. Sew on button to front of bag. Sew on purchased handles. Sew lining if desired. Please see my basic handbag patterns for easy ideas on how to add zippers and/or easy-sew linings and supports.

