



BERNAT®
HANDICRAFTER COTTON
STRIPED DRAWSTRING TOTE
(TO CROCHET)



MEASUREMENTS

Approx 7 ins [18 cm] wide and 11½ ins [29 cm] high.

MATERIALS

Bernat® Handicrafter Cotton
 (50 g/1.75 oz)

Main color (MC) (Blue)	2	balls
Contrast A (Green)	1	ball
Contrast B (Orange)	1	ball
Contrast C (Pink)	1	ball

Size 4.5 mm (U.S. 7) crochet hook **or size needed to obtain gauge.**

GAUGE

14 sc and 16 rows = 4 ins [10 cm].

INSTRUCTIONS

Note: When changing colors, work to last 2 loops on hook of last st, then draw new color through rem 2 loops and proceed.

BASE

With MC, ch 2.

1st rnd: 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook. Join with sl st to first sc.

2nd rnd: Ch 3 (counts as dc). 2 dc in same sp as last sl st. 3 dc in each sc around. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. 18 dc.

3rd rnd: Ch 3 (counts as dc). 1 dc in same sp as last sl st. *1 dc in next dc. 2 dc in next dc. Rep from * around to last dc. 1 dc in last dc. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. 27 dc.

4th rnd: Ch 3 (counts as dc). 1 dc in same sp as last sl st. *2 dc in next dc. Rep from * around. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. 54 dc.

5th rnd: Ch 3 (counts as dc). 1 dc in same sp as last sl st. *1 dc in each of next 3 dc. 2 dc in next dc. Rep from * to last dc. 1 dc in last dc. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. 68 dc.

6th rnd: Ch 3 (counts as dc). 1 dc in same sp as last sl st. *1 dc in each of next 4 dc. 2 dc in next dc. Rep from * to last 2 dc. 1 dc in each of last 2 dc. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. 82 dc. Fasten off.

BODY OF BAG

With MC, ch 33.

1st row: (RS). 1 dc in 4th ch from hook (counts as 2 dc). 1 dc in each ch across. 31 sts. Join A. Turn.

2nd row: With A, ch 1. 1 sc in each dc across. Join MC. Turn.

3rd row: With MC, ch 3 (counts as dc). 1 dc in each sc across. Join A. Turn.

4th row: As 2nd row. Join B. Turn.

5th row: With B, as 3rd row. Join C. Turn.

6th row: With C, as 2nd row. Join B. Turn.

7th row: As 5th row.

8th row: With C, as 2nd row. Join A. Turn.

9th row: With A, as 3rd row. Join MC. Turn.

10th row: With MC, as 2nd row. Join A. Turn.

11th row: As 9th row.

12th row: With MC, as 2nd row. Join C. Turn.

13th row: With C, as 3rd row. Join B. Turn.

14th row: With B, as 2nd row. Join C. Turn.

15th row: As 13th row.

16th row: With B, as 2nd row. Join MC. Turn.

17th row: With MC, as 3rd row. Join A. Turn.

Rep 2nd to 17th rows for Stripe Pat until work from beg measures approx 22 ins [56 cm], ending on a 16th row of pat. Fasten off. Sew first row and last row tog for center back seam. (Stripes are vertical)

Top Edging: 1st rnd: With RS facing, join MC with sl st to center back seam and work 72 sc evenly around top edge. Join with sl st to first sc.

2nd rnd: (eyelet rnd). Ch 3 (counts as dc). 1 dc in next sc. *Ch 1. Miss next sc. 1 dc in each of next 2 sc. Rep from * to last st. Ch 1. Miss last st. Join with sl st to top of ch 3.

3rd rnd: Ch 3 (counts as dc). 1 dc in each st or ch-1 sp around. Join with sl st to top of ch 3.

4th rnd: Ch 1. Working from **left** to right, instead of from **right** to left as usual, work 1 reverse sc in each st around. Join with sl st to first sc. Fasten off.

Pin Body of Bag to Base. With RS facing, join MC with sl st at center back seam. Work 1 row of sc evenly around to join Body of Bag to Base. Join with sl st to first sc.

Next rnd: Ch 1. Working from **left** to right, instead of from **right** to left as usual, work 1 reverse sc in each st around. Join with sl st to first sc. Fasten off.

Straps: (make 2) With MC, ch 72.

1st row: (RS). 1 sc in 2nd ch from hook. 1 sc in each ch across. 71 sc. Turn.

2nd and 3rd rows: Ch 1. 1 sc in each sc across. Turn.

4th row: Ch 1. 1 sc in each sc across. **Do not** turn.

5th row: Ch 1. Working from **left** to right, instead of from **right** to left as usual, work 1 reverse sc in each st across. Fasten off.

Edging: With RS facing, join MC with sl st to last rem loop of foundation ch. Ch 1. Working from **left** to right, instead of from **right** to left as usual, work 1 reverse sc in each rem loop across. Fasten off.

Drawstring: With MC, make a chain 42 ins [107 cm] long. Turn ch sideways and sl st in each 'bump' at side of chain. Fasten off.

Weave drawstring through eyelet rnd at top of Bag having ends meet at center front. Knot ends.

APPLIQUE FLOWER

With color 1, ch 2.

1st rnd: 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook. Join with sl st to first sc.

2nd rnd: Ch 1. 2 sc in each sc around. Join with sl st to first sc. 12 sc. Fasten off.

First Petal: 1st row: Join color 2 with sl st to front loop only of any sc. *Ch 1. 2 sc in same sp as sl st. 2 sc in front loop only of next sc. 4 sc for petal. Turn.

Next 3 rows: Ch 1. 1 sc in each sc of petal. Turn.

Next row: Ch 1. (*Draw up a loop in each of next 2 sts. Yoh and draw through all 3 loops on hook – sc2tog made*) twice. Fasten off.*

Second Petal: **Rejoin color 2 with sl st to front loop of next unworked sc of 2nd rnd. Rep from * to * once.**

Third to Sixth Petals: Rep from ** to ** 4 times more. 6 petals.

Flower A (make 1)

Follow instructions for Applique Flower using MC for color 1 and A for color 2.

Flower B (make 1)

Follow instructions for Applique Flower using C for color 1 and B for color 2.

Flower C (make 1)

Follow instructions for Applique Flower using A for color 1 and MC for color 2.

Flower D (make 1)

Follow instructions for Applique Flower using B for color 1 and C for color 2.

FINISHING

Sew ends of straps on either side of back seam at top of bag, under Top Edging. Sew other ends of straps 3 ins [7.5 cm] on either side of back seam at base.

Pin Applique Flowers randomly on Bag, as shown in picture, and sew in position.

