



Wise Owl Tote Bag

We've shown this clever purse with a child who loves it, but we know there are much older girls that would find it to be a "hoot"! Crocheted in a multi print yarn, the feathers have added dimension while keeping the pattern easy.

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Bag measures 8" wide (without wings) x 7" high.

RED HEART® Super Saver®: 1 skein each 786 Candy Print **A**, 706 Perfect Pink **B**, 321 Gold **C**, and 313 Aran **D**.

Crochet Hooks: 4mm [US G-6] and 6mm [US J-10].
Yarn needle; two 12mm buttons for eyes.

Gauge: 12 rounds = 4"; 12 sts = 4" in sc with larger hook and 2 strands held together. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.**

Special Abbreviation

dec (decrease) = draw up a loop in next 2 sts, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

BAG

Round 1: With 2 strands of **A** held together and larger hook, ch 12; sc in 2nd ch from hook and in next 9 ch, 3 sc in last ch, working in remaining loops on opposite side of ch, sc in next 9 loops, 2 sc in last loop; do not join but work in continuous rounds – 24 sc.

Round 2: 2 Sc in first sc, sc in next 9 sc, [2 sc in next sc] 3 times, sc in next 9 sc, [2 sc in next sc] twice – 30 sc.

Round 3: [Sc in next 4 sc, 2 sc in next sc] 6 times – 36 sc.

Round 4: [Sc in next 5 sc, 2 sc in next sc] 6 times – 42 sc.

Rounds 5-20: Sc in each sc around. Fasten off.

Strap

With 2 strands of **A** held together and larger hook, ch 66.

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook and each ch across; turn – 65 sc.

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in each sc across. Fasten off.

Wing (Make 2)

Row 1: With 1 strand of **A** and smaller hook, ch 2; 5 sc in 2nd ch from hook; turn.

Row 2: Ch 1, 2 sc in each sc across; turn – 10 sc.

Row 3: Ch 1, sc in first 3 sc, [2 sc in next sc] 4 times, sc in last 3 sc; turn – 14 sc.

Row 4: Ch 1, sc in each sc across; turn.

Row 5: Ch 1, sc in first 5 sc, [2 sc in next sc] 4 times, sc in last 5 sc; turn – 18 sc.

Row 6: Ch 1, skip first sc, 3 hdc in next sc, [skip next sc, 3 hdc in next sc] 8 times. Fasten off. Sew in place on each side of bag as pictured.

Eye (Make 2)

Round 1: With 1 strand of **A** and smaller hook, ch 2; 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook; do not join but work in continuous rounds.

Round 2: 2 sc in each sc around – 12 sc.

Round 3: [Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] 6 times – 18 sc.

Round 4: [Sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc] 6 times – 24 sc.

Round 5: [Sc in next 3 sc, 2 sc in next sc] 6 times – 30 sc. Fasten off.

Round 6: Join **B** in any sc with a slip st; 3 sc in next sc, [slip st in next sc, 3 sc in next sc] 14 times, slip st in first slip st. Fasten off. Sew button to center of eye.



“White” of Eye

With 1 strand of **D** and smaller hook, ch 13; 3 hdc in 2nd ch from hook, [ch 1, slip st in next ch, ch 1, 3 hdc in next ch] 5 times, slip st in last ch. Fasten off. Sew in a circle around button. Sew eyes in place.

Beak

Round 1: With 1 strand of **C** and smaller hook, ch 2; 6 sc in 2nd ch from hook; do not join but work in continuous rounds.

Round 2: [Sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc] twice – 8 sc.

Round 3: Sc in each sc around.

Round 4: [Sc in next sc, 2 sc in next sc] 4 times – 12 sc.

Rounds 5-7: Sc in each sc around.

Round 8: [Sc in next 2 sc, dec over next 2 sc] twice – 8 sc. Fasten off. Insert a very small amount of stuffing. Sew Round 8 flat and sew in place.

Heart

With 1 strand of **D** and smaller hook; ch 2.

Rounds 1-4: Repeat Rounds 1-4 of eye – 24 sc.

Round 5: Slip st in next sc, ch 1, (hdc, dc) in next sc, [2 dc in next sc] twice, (dc, hdc) in next sc, sc in next 6 sc, 3 sc in next sc, sc in next 6 sc, (hdc, dc) in next sc, [2 dc in next sc] twice, (dc, hdc) in next sc, ch 1; slip st in first slip st. Fasten off. Sew in place.



RED HEART® Super Saver®, Art. E300 available in solid color 7 oz (198 g), 364 yd (333 m); multi color, heather and print 5 oz (141 g), 244 yd (223 m), flecks 5 oz (141 g), 260 yd (238 m) skeins.

Abbreviations: **A, B, C**, etc. = color A, B, C, etc.; **ch** = chain; **dc** = double crochet; **hdc** = half double crochet; **mm** = millimeters; **sc** = single crochet; **st(s)** = stitch (es); * = repeat whatever follows the * as indicated; **[]** = work directions in brackets the number of times specified.