



Euro Colors Tote Bag Locker Hooking Pattern & Instructions by Theresa Pulido

Materials:

8, 33x33 squares of 5-mesh canvas
3, 58x23 rectangles of 5-mesh canvas
Heavy weight black yarn for locking medium
Locker Hook
#13 tapestry needle
Bamboo handles
Heavy yarn, ribbon or cord for attaching handles
Scissors

1/2" wide Color Crazy Fabric Strips

*Square Panels:

35 Yds Violet Indigo

34 Yds Chartreuse Lime

34 Yds Hibiscus

28 Yds Marigold

Sides, Bottom and Assembly:

18 Yds Marigold

58 Yds Violet Indigo

Locker Hooking Instructions:

Cut all canvas pieces and fold over edges. Square panels must be 25x25 and side & bottom 50x15 after folding. **Do not frame edges.** Locker hook 8 squares with spiral technique changing colors according to patterns. Locker hook the 3 bottom and side panels.

Sew in tails on all pieces. Using tapestry needle and Violet Indigo fabric strips or main color, whip stitch to assemble 4 square panels together to form front and back sides. Whip stitch to attach side and bottom panels and whip stitch any unfinished edges to finish. Sew in any remaining tails. Center and attach bamboo handles with heavy weight yarn, ribbon or cord.

Tip: Use 1 1/2 yard strips when whip stitching to frame or assemble to minimize fraying. Some areas like corners may require extra stitches to achieve full coverage.

Optional: Sew a lining and attach for a more finished look. I recommend using a medium weight iron-on fusible on fabric for additional stability. Use Quick Grip fast drying adhesive to glue and seal in lining around the top of the tote bag. Use a thin bead of this permanent, waterproof glue.

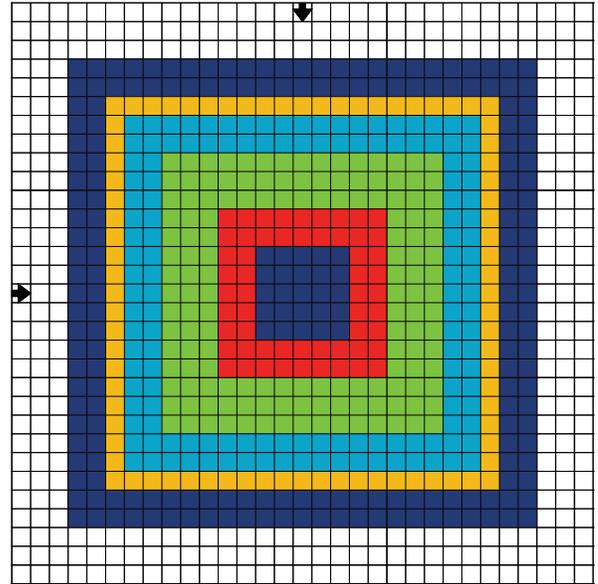
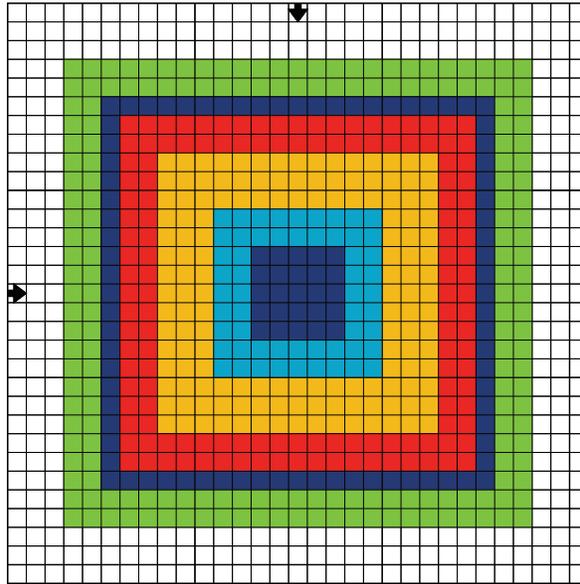
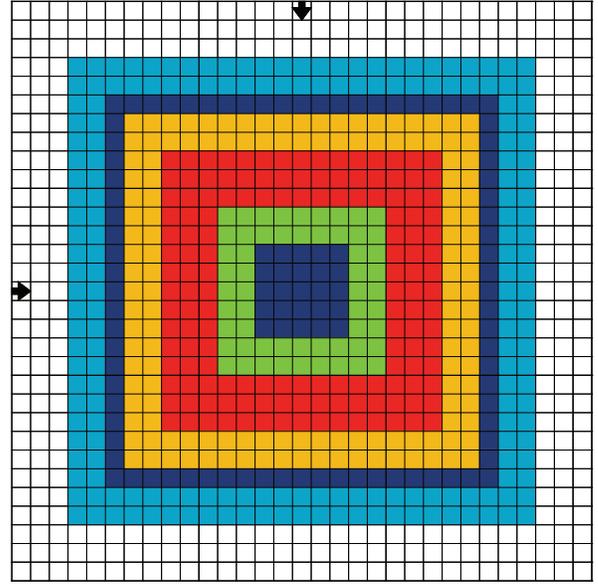
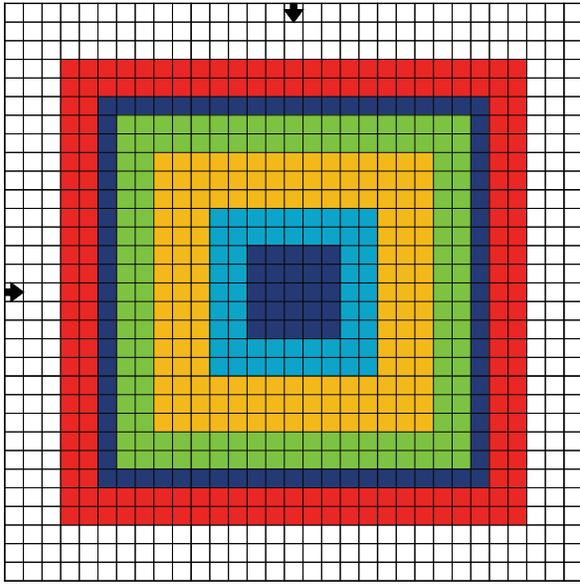
* Yardage is approximate. If you locker hook loosely with larger loops, add an additional yard or two to requirements.

Refer to the "Hook, Loop, & Lock" book for additional illustrated instructions on locker hooking techniques.



Note: You can also mix and match colors for the panels. Keep the centers the same color and/or the outside frame of the panel for a more uniform look.

Euro Colors Square Panels



Side & Bottom Panels

