

Lincraft



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RECYCLED  
COTTON

Market Bags

INTERMEDIATE CROCHET

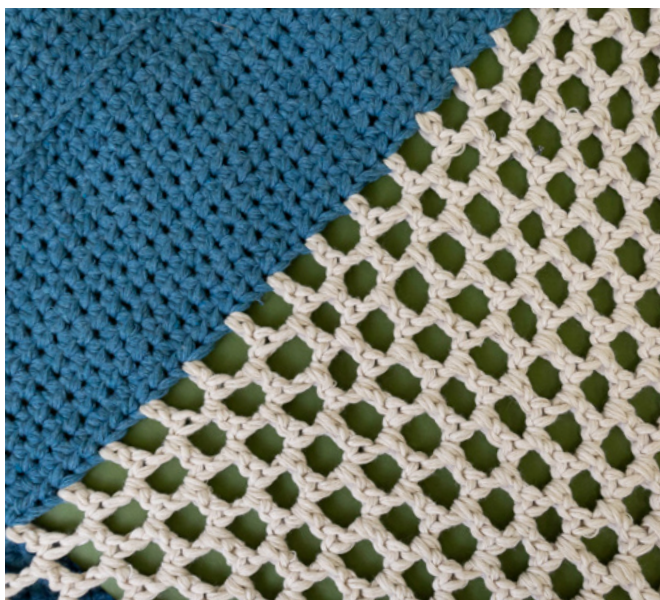
Made holding two ends of our recycled cotton and using a mesh style stitch, this bag works up quickly. It features a wide sturdy base to keep small produce from falling out as well as having enough space to carry all your items home from the market.

### MEASUREMENTS

Base Width (approx)	cm	13
Length (from base to handle)	cm	170
<b>Yarn Required:</b>		
Lincraft Recycled Cotton (M)	100g balls	4
Lincraft Recycled Cotton (C)	100g balls	2

Please use only the yarn specified. Another yarn is likely to yield different results. Quantities are approximate as styles may vary between crocheters. Check the ball bands to ensure all yarn is from the same dye lot.

**ITEM A:** Netting and Base Stitch Detail



### DIFFICULTY ●●●

#### NEEDLES:

A 5.50mm crochet hook.  
Wool needle for sewing in ends.

#### TENSION (BASE):

18 sts and 15 rows to 10cm over double crochet, using a 5.50mm hook.

#### TENSION (SIDES):

6 tr and 6 rows to 10cm over netted mesh st, using 5.50mm hook.

#### CROCHET ABBREVIATIONS:

**ch:** chain  
**ss:** slip stitch  
**dc:** double crochet  
**htr:** half treble crochet

#### MARKET BAG

##### Oval Base:

Using 5.50mm hook and holding two ends of M together, ch21.

**Round 1:** 2htr into the second chain from the hook, htr into the front post of the next 18ch, 4htr into the final stitch, rotate work and htr into the opposite side of the next 18ch, 2htr into the final chain and sl st to close the round ... 44 htr

**Round 2:** Ch1, 2htr into the same st and the next st, 18htr, 2htr into the next 4 sts, 18htr, 2htr into the final 2 sts, sl st to close the round ... 52 htr

**Round 3:** Ch1, (htr, 2htr into the next st) x 2, 18htr, (htr, 2htr into the next st) x 4, 18htr, (htr, 2htr into the next st) x 2, sl st to close the round ... 60 htr

**Round 4:** Ch1, (2 htr, 2htr into the next st) x 2, 18htr, (2 htr, 2htr in the next st) x 4, 18htr, (2 htr, 2htr in the next st) x 2, sl st to close the round ... 68 htr

**Round 5:** Ch1, (3htr, 2htr into the next st) x 2, 18htr, (3htr, 2htr into the next st) x 4, 18htr, (3htr, 2htr into the next st) x 2, sl st to close the round ... 76 htr

**Round 6:** Ch1, (4htr, 2htr into the next st) x 2, 18htr, (4htr, 2htr into the next st) x 2, 18htr, (4htr, 2htr into the next st) x 2 ... 84 htr

**Round 7:** Ch1, (5htr, 2htr into the next st) x 2, 18htr, (5htr, 2htr into the next st) x 2, 18htr, (5htr, 2htr into the next st) x 2 ... 92 htr

Keep working in the manner pattern described above until Round 12 has been completed ... 140 htr

##### Begin Working Sides:

**Round 1:** Ch1, htr into the front post only in each st in the round, sl st to close the round.

**Round 2:** Ch1, htr into each st in the round, Sl st to the first chain in the round close.

Repeat round 2 until base measures 10cm from where you finished increasing, cut yarn and fasten off.

##### Mesh Stitch:

Using 5.50mm and holding two ends of C1 together, ins hook into any htr around the top of the base:

**Round 1:** Ch5 (Counts as 1tr and 2ch), \*skip 2 sts and tr into the third, ch2, repeat from \* in the round, slip st into the 3ch made at the beg to close ... 46 tr made.

**Round 2:** Ch5 (Counts as 1tr and 2ch), \*tr into the next ch2 space, ch2, repeat from \* in the round, slip st into the 3ch made at the beg to close.

Repeat round 2 until the bag measures, 18cm from the end of the sides of the base.

**Next Round:** Ch1 and dc into each ch in the round, sl st to close. Repeat the above row twice more, cut yarn and fasten off.

#### Handles:

Lay bag flat so the centre chain of the oval is laying horizontally. Using st markers, mark the st 8cm from each edge on both sides, this is where your handles will start and end.

Using 5.50mm hook and C1, ins hook into one of the sts with a marker, ch1 and dc into the same st, dc into the next 7 sts working towards the centre of the bag, turn.

Work even in rows, dc into each stitch until the strap measures 40cm from the beg. cut yarn and fasten off. Using a length of the same yarn, sew the strap into place marked by the other marker, taking care not to twist the strap.

Repeat for the other side.

#### FINISHING

Sew in all ends. Starch the base, if you prefer a stiffer bag.

#### ITEM B: Market Bag Flatlay

