

# KNIT-O-MATIC

## Crochet Grocery Bag

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### Skill Level

Easy

### Size

Medium, approximately 51cm/20" long by 28cm/11" wide

### Materials

- 4mm/F crochet hook
- 1 skein Super 10 cotton (or 160m machine washable, mercerized & gased DK weight (calls for a 4mm needles) cotton
- tapestry/darning needle
- 1 split ring or locking ring stitch marker to mark rounds
- scrap yarn in contrasting colour for markers

### Abbreviations

- Ch Chain  
Sc Single Crochet  
Sl St Slip Stitch  
St Stitch



### Directions

**Round 1:** Ch4, Sl St to join in space.

**Round 2:** Ch1, working over end as you go make 8sc into space. Place marker to left of last st worked. (8sc)

**Round 3:** \*(Ch2, make 1sc into next sc); repeat from \* to end of round (8 spaces)

**Round 4:** \*(Ch3, make 1sc into next ch2 space); repeat from \* to end of round (8 spaces)

**Round 5:** \*(Ch4, make 1sc into next ch3 space); repeat from \* to end of round (8 spaces)

**Round 6 (Increase Round):** \*(Ch4, make 1sc) twice into next ch4 space; repeat from \* to end of round (16 spaces)

**Round 7:** \*(Ch4, make 1sc into next ch4 space); repeat from \* to end of round (16 spaces). Repeat this round 2 more times.

**Round 8:** \*(Ch5, make 1sc into next ch4 space); repeat from \* to end of round (16 spaces)

**Round 9 (Increase Round):** \*{[Ch5, make 1sc] twice into same ch5 space, [ch5, make 1 sc into next ch5 space]}; repeat from \* to end of round (24 spaces).

**Round 10:** \*(Ch5, make 1sc into next ch5 space); repeat from \* to end of round (24 spaces). Repeat this round 3 more times.

**Round 11 (Increase Round):** \*{[Ch5, make 1sc] twice into same ch5 space, [ch5, make 1 sc into next ch5 space]}; repeat from \* to end of round (36 spaces).

## Notes

This is NOT a large shoulder bag sized tote. If you want it to be bigger for an all day shop or to hold really big leafy plants I suggest you make the following modifications:

- 1) add an extra increase round
- 2) add rows in the middle
- 3) work 2 or 3 more rounds of sc around the mouth of the bag,
- 4) add 2 more rows of sc on each handle.

If you are a very tight crocheter it's a good idea to add a few rows in the middle. If you are a loose crocheter go down a hook size.

The last stitch of the round is worked into the space which the marker is on.

Count the number of stitches after each increase round and make sure you don't have extra.

When cutting or joining yarn leave 4 or 5 inches of yarn to weave in.

"DK" weight yarn refers to "Double Knitting" weight yarn. You can find out the yarn weight by looking at a yarn's ball-band: 4mm/US6 needles will be recommended and the stitch gauge will be between 20 and 22 sts = 4"/10cm. For more information refer to [yarnstandards.com](http://yarnstandards.com)

When you have finished put 3 or 4 big cans of food in the bag to stretch it out to it's regular size.

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**Round 12:** \*(Ch5, make 1sc into next ch5 space); repeat from \* to end of round (36 spaces). Repeat this round 8 more times.

### Decrease Rounds

Round 13: \*(Ch4, make 1sc into next ch5 space); repeat from \* to end of round (36 spaces).

Round 14: \*(Ch3, make 1sc into next ch4 space); repeat from \* to end of round (36 spaces).

Round 15: \*(Ch2, make 1sc into next ch3 space); repeat from \* to end of round (36 spaces).

Round 16: \*(make 1sc into next sc, make 2sc into next ch2 space); repeat from \* to end of round (108sc). Do not fasten off, you will start the first handle from your last stitch.

### Make Handles

Using your last stitch as a point of departure, divide rim of bag into 4 equal sections (you can fold it in half and then half again) and mark them with scrap yarn. Markers should be located like the hours on a clock at 12, 3, 6 and 9 o'clock, your live stitch is 12 o'clock.

With outside facing you, at 12 o'clock, ch38 loosely. Make sure not to twist the chain, and attach with a slip stitch to a sc at the marker to the left of the base of the chain (3 o'clock). Check to be sure the chain is not twisted or the handle will be twisted.

Make 1 sl st into the sc to the left of the marker, turn work, sc back across the chain, make a sl stitch to the left of the marker at base of the handle, make another sl st into the next sc to the left, turn work. Work back across the handle in sc, make a sl st at base of the handle, make another sl st to in the st to the left. Work back across in sc one more, then make a sl st at the base and fasten off.

With outside of bag facing you , re-attach yarn at marker at 6 o'clock. Ch 38 loosely at attach with a sl stitch at the last remaining marker (9 o'clock). Make second handle as instructed above.

### Finishing

Weave in ends with darning needle. To secure the ends weave yarn in 4 stitches in 1 direction, then turn and work back to where the yarn started.

