



CROCHET  
SKILL LEVEL  
EASY

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## What you will need:

RED HEART® Boutique Swanky™:  
2 balls 9522 Teal/essence

Susan Bates® Crochet Hook:  
5.5mm [US I-9]

GAUGE: 16 dc = 4" (10 cm);  
Rounds 1–3 = 4" (10 cm) in  
double crochet. **CHECK YOUR  
GAUGE.** Use any size hook to  
obtain the gauge.



RED HEART® Boutique  
Swanky™, Art. E819  
available in 3.5 oz.  
(85 g), 202 yd (185  
m) balls



# Chic Tote Bag

*You no longer need to carry a mundane tote bag....carry this glam sequined tote instead! Crocheted in sequined yarn, you'll love taking it along on your travels to carry your current project and then using it as an evening date bag!*

Bag measures 30" circumference x 15" long  
(76 x 38 cm).

## Special Stitch

**sc2tog** = [Insert hook in next stitch, yarn over and pull up a loop] twice, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

## Special Technique

**Adjustable-ring method** = Wrap yarn into a ring, ensuring that the tail falls behind the working yarn. Grip ring and tail firmly between middle finger and thumb. Insert hook through center of ring, yarn over (with working yarn) and draw up a loop. Work stitches of first round in the ring, working over both strands (the tail and the ring). After the first round of stitches is worked, pull gently, but firmly, on tail to tighten ring.

## Notes

1. Tote with handles is made in joined rounds with right side facing at all times.
2. Gently ease oval sequins to right side of tote as you work.

## TOTE

Make an adjustable ring.

**Round 1:** Ch 2 (counts as first dc here and throughout), 11 dc into ring; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—12 dc. Pull gently, but firmly, on tail to tighten ring.

**Round 2:** Ch 2, dc in same st as join, 2 dc in each st around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—24 dc.

**Round 3:** Ch 2, dc in same st as join, dc in next st, \*2 dc in next st, dc in next st; repeat from \* around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—36 dc.

**Round 4:** Ch 2, dc in same st as join, dc in next 2 sts, \*2 dc in next st, dc in next 2 sts; repeat from \* around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—48 dc.

**Round 5:** Ch 2, dc in same st as join, dc in next 3 sts, \*2 dc in next st, dc in next 3 sts; repeat from \* around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—60 dc.

**Round 6:** Ch 2, dc in same st as join, dc in next 4 sts, \*2 dc in next st, dc in next 4 sts; repeat from \* around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—72 dc.

**Round 7:** Ch 2, dc in same st as join, dc in next 5 sts, \*2 dc in next st, dc in next 5 sts; repeat from \* around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—84 dc.

**Round 8:** Ch 2, dc in same st as join, dc in next 6 sts, \*2 dc in next st, dc in next 6 sts; repeat from \* around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—96 dc.

**Round 9:** Ch 2, dc in same st as join, dc in next 7 sts, \*2 dc in next st, dc in next 7 sts; repeat from \* around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—108 dc.

**Round 10:** Ch 2, dc in same st as join, dc in next 8 sts, \*2 dc in next st, dc in next 8 sts; repeat from \* around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—120 dc.

**Round 11:** Ch 2, 4 dc in same st as join, \*skip next 4 sts, 5 dc in next st; repeat from \* 22 times, skip last 4 sts; join with slip st in top of beginning ch.

**Round 12:** Ch 2, dc in each st around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch.

**Rounds 13–26:** Repeat Rounds 11 and 12 seven times.

**Round 27:** \*Ch 20, skip next 10 sts, dc in next 50 sts; repeat from \* once; join with slip st in first ch—100 dc and 2 ch-20 spaces.

**Round 28:** Ch 2, dc in each st and ch around; join with slip st in top of beginning ch—140 dc.

**Round 29:** Ch 1, \*sc2tog, dc in next 5 sts; repeat from \* around; join with slip st in first sc—120 sc.

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**Round 30:** Ch 1, \*sc2tog, dc in next 4 sts; repeat from \* around; join with slip st in first sc —100 sc. Fasten off.

## **FINISHING**

Weave in ends.

## **ABBREVIATIONS**

**ch** = chain; **dc** = double crochet; **sc** = single crochet; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **( )** = work directions in parentheses into same st; **[ ]** = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; **\*** = repeat whatever follows the \* as indicated.