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## What you will need:

RED HEART® Super Saver: 2 skeins of 365 Coffee A; 1 skein each of 3945 Blue Suede B, 321 Gold C, and 376 Burgundy D.

Susan Bates® Crochet Hook: 3.5mm [US E-4]

Yarn Needle, 1 yd (.9 m) of fabric for lining, Sewing needle and matching sewing thread

GAUGE: First 3 rounds = 3¼" (8.5 cm) across. CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook needed to obtain the gauge given.



RED HEART® Super Saver®, Art. E300 available in solid color

7 oz (198 g), 364 yd (333 m); multicolor, heather and print 5 oz (141 g), 244 yd (223 m), flecks 5 oz (141 g), 260 yds (238 m) skeins



# Phat Fat Bag

Here's a super cool bag to use for everyday or for taking a project along wherever you go. Crochet it using four colors as shown, or customize it to reflect your own color sensibility.

**SHOP KIT** 

Finished Size: 22" (56 cm) wide x 19" (48.5 cm) deep, excluding straps

#### **Special Stitches**

foundation single crochet (Fsc): Start with a slip knot, ch 2, insert hook in 2nd ch from hook, draw up a loop, yo, draw through 1 loop, yo, and draw through 2 loops — 1 single crochet with its own chain at bottom. Work next stitch under loops of that chain. Insert hook under 2 loops at bottom of the previous stitch, draw up a loop, yo and draw through 1 loop, yo and draw through 2 loops. Repeat for length of foundation.

**sc2tog:** [Insert hook in next st, yarn over, draw yarn through st] twice, yarn over, draw through 3 loops on hook.

**sc3tog:** [Insert hook in next st, yarn over, draw yarn through st] 3 times, yarn over, draw through 4 loops on hook.

### **BAG**

### Square

With **A**, ch 4; join with a slip st in first ch to form a ring.

**Round 1:** Ch 1, 8 sc in ring; join with slip st in first sc - 8 sc.

Round 2: Ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), 2 dc in first sc, \*(2 dc, tr, 2 dc) in next sc, 3 dc in next sc; repeat from \* twice, (2 dc, tr, 2 dc) in next sc; join with a slip st in top of beginning ch-3 – 32 sts.

Round 3: Ch 3, dc in each of next 4 dc, \*(2 dc, tr, 2 dc) in next tr, dc in each of next 7 sts; repeat from \* twice, (2 dc, tr, 2 dc) in next tr, dc in next 2 dc, change to **B** by drawing through when joining with a slip st in top of beginning ch-3 – 48 sts. Fasten off **A**.

Round 4: With **B**. ch 3, \*dc in each dc across to

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Rounds 5-25: Repeat Round 4, working in the following color sequence: 1 more round **B**; 2 rounds **A**; 2 rounds **C**, 2 rounds **A**; 2 rounds **D**, 2 rounds **A**; 2 rounds **B**, 2 rounds **A**; 2 rounds **C**, 2 rounds **A**; 2 rounds **D** – 400 sts at end of last round. Fasten off.

Weave in ends.

#### Lining

Measure across the center of the Square (sample was  $27\frac{1}{2}$ " (70 cm) across). Cut a square of fabric that is 1" (2.5 cm) wider than the width of the Square. Fold down the edges of the fabric  $\frac{1}{2}$ " (13 mm) toward the wrong side of the fabric, and press with an iron to hold the folded edges in place. With the wrong sides together, pin the lining in place on Square. . With sewing needle and thread, sew lining Lining to Square.

#### First Side Flap

Row 1: Join A with a sc in any corner tr of Square, \*sc3tog over next 3 sts; repeat from \* across to next corner tr, sc in corner tr, turn – 35 sts.

Rows 2-8: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn. Fasten off, leaving a long sewing length. Fold Flap in half toward wrong side of bag and with sewing length, whipstitch in place.

### **Second Side Flap**

Repeat First Side Trim across opposite side of Square.

#### Handles (Make 2)

Round 1: With the right side of Bag facing, working though double thickness of the Flap, join A with a sc through side edge of Flap, work 3 more sc evenly spaced across edge of Flap, working in dc sts on next side of Square, \*sc3tog over next 3 dc; repeat from \*

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across to next Flap, working through double thickness, work 4 sc even spaced across Flap, anchoring the first st in the top edge of the flap, work 49 Fsc; join with a slip to the first sc made in round, turn -90 sts.

**Round 2:** Ch 1, \*sc in next 13 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts; repeat from \* around; join with a slip st in first sc, turn – 84 sts.

**Round 3:** Ch 1, \*sc in next 12 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts; repeat from \* around; join with a slip st in first sc, turn – 78 sts.

**Round 4:** Ch 1, \*sc in next 11 sts, sc2tog over next 2 sts; repeat from \* around; join with a slip st in first sc, turn -72 sts.

**Round 5:** Ch 1, sc in each sc around; join with a slip st in first sc.

**Round 6:** Ch 1, \*sc in next 11 sts, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from \* around; join with a slip st in first sc, turn – 78 sts.

Round 7: Ch 1, \*sc in next 12 sts, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from \* around; join with a slip st in first sc. turn – 84 sts.

Round 8: Ch 1, \*sc in next 13 sts, 2 sc in next sc; repeat from \* around; join with a slip st in first sc, turn – 90 sts. Fasten off, leaving a very long sewing length.

Fold the Strap in half toward wrong side of Bag, and with sewing length, sew top of last round to base of first round. **Note:** Sample used a lacing stitch worked under the two loops of both edges.

Repeat Handle on other side of Bag.

# **Curlicues (Make 2 each with B, C and D)** Ch 25.

**Row 1:** 4 sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each of the next 19 ch, slip st in each of last four ch sts. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

#### **Assemble Tassel**

**Round 1:** Place a slip loop of **A** on hook, \*insert hook through 2 loops of the last slip st of one of the Curliques, bend the end of the Curlique, skip next slip st and insert hook through both loops of the next slip st, yarn over and draw up a loop, yarn over and draw through 2 loops on hook; repeat from \* in each Curlique and any order; join with a slip st in first sc - 6 sc.

Rounds 2-3: Ch 1, sc in each sc around. Round 4: Ch 1, sc2tog over next 2 sts; repeat from \* around; join with a slip st in first sc – 3 sc.

Joining Row: Ch 6, slip st to the outside center of one of the handle sides of the bag, turn, slip st in each ch back to the tassel. Fasten off.

**Closure Loop:** With **A**, join with a slip st to center of inside handle opposite the handle where the tassel is attached, ch 20, join with slip st at base of ch-20 loop, slip st in each ch around. Fasten off.

#### **ABBREVIATIONS**

A, B, C, D, E = color A, B, C, D, E; 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.

