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MATERIALS

Red Heart® **With Love**® (5 oz/141 g; 223 yds/204 m) **Rainforest Stripe** (1974)

2 balls

Size U.S. H/8 (5 mm) crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge.



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ABBREVIATIONS

Approx = Approximately

Ch = Chain(s)

Rep = Repeat

Sc = Single crochet

Sc2tog = Draw up a loop in each of next 2 sc. Yoh and draw through all 3 loops on hook

St(s) = Stitch(es) **Tr** = Treble (triple) crochet

Yoh = Yarn over hook

MEASUREMENTS

Approx 121/2" [32 cm] wide x 18" long [45.5 cm].

GAUGE

14 sc and 15 rows = 4'' [10 cm].

INSTRUCTIONS

Notes:

Panels with Handles are worked back and forth in rows, then sewn together.

Beginning chain-1 is intentionally omitted in Rows 2–6 of Handle so edges will curve evenly.

Outer Pocket is made separately and sewn to Front.

TOTE

Panel (make 2) Ch 39.

Row 1 (right side): Work 2 sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each ch across to last ch, 2 sc in last ch, turn-40 sc.

Rows 2-5: Ch 1, 2 sc in first st, sc in each st across to last st, 2 sc in last st, turn—48 sc.

Rows 6–36: Ch 1, skip first st, 2 sc in next st, *skip next st, 2 sc in next st; rep from * across, turn. Fasten off.

Handle

Row 1: With right side facing, skip first 12 sts, join yarn with slip st in next st, ch 1, sc2tog in same st as join and in next st, sc in next 20 sts, sc2tog; leave remaining sts unworked, turn—22 sc.

Rows 2-6: Sc2tog in first 2 sts. sc in each st across to last 2 sts, sc2tog, turn—12 sc.



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Rows 7–36: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn. Fasten off.

Pocket

Ch 16.

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across, turn—15 sc.

Rows 2–19: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn. Fasten off.

ASSEMBLY & FINISHING

With wrong sides of Panels held together, sew sides and bottom together.

Sew top edges of Handles together.

Trim (work twice)

Round 1: With right side of Tote facing, join yarn with sc at seam; working in unworked sts of Row 36 of Panel and in ends of rows of Handle, sc evenly spaced around opening; join with slip st in first sc. Fasten off.

Pocket Trim

Row 1: With right side facing and working in ends of rows, join yarn with sc in Row 19, sc in each row to Row 1, 3 sc in Row 1; working in opposite side of foundation ch, skip first ch, sc in each ch across to last ch, skip last ch; working in ends of rows of other side, 3 sc in Row 1, sc in each row across; leave remaining sts of Row 19 unworked. Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

Referring to photo as a guide for placement, sew Pocket to front Panel.

Weave in ends.

