



CROCHET
SKILL LEVEL
INTERMEDIATE



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What you will need:

RED HEART® Comfort®: 1 ball
3152 Denim Heather

Susan Bates® Crochet Hook:
5mm [US H-8]

Embroidered patches,
stitch markers, 1" [25 mm]
decorative button, fabric glue,
yarn needle

GAUGE: 12 sc = 4" [10 cm];
15 rows = 4" [10 cm] in
single crochet. **CHECK YOUR
GAUGE. Use any size hook to
obtain the gauge.**



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Patch Backpack

Crochet this fashion-right backpack and then personalize it with purchased patches and trims that speak to you (so to speak).

**Back Pack measures 11" [28 cm] wide x
14" [35.5 cm] tall x 9" [23 cm] deep.**

NOTES

Back Pack is worked in separate sections which are worked off of previous section. Pocket and Flap are worked separately and are sewn on. Pocket and Flaps are worked back and forth in rows but Body is worked in continuous rounds. Attach iron-on patches after Back Pack is finished.

PATTERN STITCH

Kernel Stitch: *Insert hook in last stitch worked, yarn over, pull up loop, insert hook in next stitch, yarn over, pull up loop, yarn over, pull through all loops on hook; repeat from * across.

SPECIAL ABBREVIATIONS

sc2tog: [Draw up a loop in next st] twice, yarn over and draw through all 3 loops on hook.

BACKPACK

Base

Ch 23 loosely.

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook, working in each ch, work Kernel st across – 21 sts.

Rows 2-26: Ch 1, turn, sc in first st, work in Kernel st across. Do not fasten off.

Body

Round 1: Ch 1, turn, sc 20 sts evenly spaced across last row, work 3 sc in corner, turn to work along side edge, sc 33 sts evenly spaced along side edge, 3 sc in corner, turn to work along opposite edge of foundation ch, sc 20 sts evenly spaced across, 3 sc in corner, turn to work along opposite side edge, sc 33 sts evenly spaced along side edge, 3 sc in corner, slip st in first st to join – 118 sts. Place marker for beginning of round.



Round 2: Ch 1, sc in each st around.

Rounds 3-9: Working in continuous rounds, sc in each st around.

Rounds 10-30: Hdc in each st around.

Round 31: Sc in each st around.

Round 32: Sc in next 8 sts, *sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog; repeat from * around – 107 sts.

Round 33: Sc in next 8 sts, *sc in next 7 sts, sc2tog; repeat from * around – 96 sts.

Round 34: *Sc in next 6 sts, sc2tog; repeat from * around – 84 sts.

Round 35: *Sc in next 5 sts, sc2tog; repeat from * around – 72 sts.

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Rounds 36-37: Sc in each st around, slip st in first st of last round to join. Fasten off.

Top Flap

Row 1: Working in back loops only, join yarn in first st of last row with a slip st, ch 1, sc in same st, sc in next 26 sts - 27 sts.

Rows 2-19: Ch 1, turn, sc in next 27 sts.

Row 20: Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in next 23 sts, sc2tog - 25 sts.

Row 21: Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in next 9 sts, ch 3, skip 3 sts for buttonhole, sc in next 9 sts, sc2tog - 23 sts.

Row 22: Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in next 8 sc, sc in each ch of ch-3 space, sc in next 8 sc, sc2tog - 21 sts.

Row 23: Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in next 17 sts, sc2tog - 19 sts. Fasten off.

Trim

Join yarn in top left corner with a slip st, working in the ends of rows, sc evenly spaced down edge, sc in each st along bottom edge, sc evenly spaced along opposite side edge. Fasten off.

POCKET FLAP

Ch 28.

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across - 27 sts.

Rows 2-13: Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Row 14: Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in each sc to last 2 sts, sc2tog - 25 sts.

Row 15: Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in each sc to last 2 sts, sc2tog - 23 sts.

Row 16: Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in each sc to last 2 sts, sc2tog - 21 sts.

Row 17: Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc in each sc to last 2 sts, sc2tog - 19 sts. Fasten off.

Trim

Join yarn in top left corner with a slip st, working in ends of rows, sc evenly spaced down edge, sc in each st along bottom edge, sc evenly spaced along opposite side edge. Fasten off.

POCKET

Ch 28.

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across - 27 sts.

Row 2: Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in first st, sc in each st to last st, 2 sc in last st - 29 sts.

Row 3: Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in first st, sc in each st to last st, 2 sc in last st - 31 sts.

Row 4: Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in first st, sc in each st to last st, 2 sc in last st - 33 sts.

Row 5: Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in first st, sc in each st to last st, 2 sc in last st - 35 sts.

Rows 6-21: Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across.

Fasten off.

FINISHING

Pocket Assembly

Sew first row of Pocket to first round of Body, lining up placement under Top Flap. Sew sides to front of Body. Sew first row of Pocket Flap to Body 2 rows above Pocket so Flap folds over.

TIES

Left Tie

Join yarn with a slip st 2 rows below first st of Top Flap, ch 75. Fasten off. Weave in and out of sts to center of front of Body.

Right Tie

Join yarn with a slip st 2 rows below last st of Top Flap, ch 75. Fasten off. Weave

in and out of sts to center of front of Body.

Pull ties to gather top edge. Sew button on Back Pack to correspond with buttonhole on Flap.

STRAPS (make 2)

Ch 66.

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across - 65 sts.

Row 2: Ch 2 (counts as first hdc), turn, hdc in each st across.

Row 3: Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across. Fasten off.

Sew one short end of each Strap on opposite corners of Top Flap. Sew opposite short ends on corresponding corners of Base. Weave in ends.

Using fabric glue (not iron), attach patches to Flaps.

ABBREVIATIONS

ch = chain; **cm** = centimeters; **hdc** = half double crochet; **mm** = millimeters; **sc** = single crochet; **st(s)** = stitch(es); * **or** ** = repeat whatever follows the * or ** as indicated.

