



Starburst Mandala Satchel

Level: Intermediate

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Width: 9 ½"

Length: 9 ½" (excluding straps)

MATERIALS

Premier® Yarns *Everyday® Bulky* (100% Anti-pilling Acrylic; 3.5oz/100g, 87yds/80m)

- #1068-09 Magenta – 1 ball (A)
- #1068-02 Linen – 1 ball (B)
- #1068-12 Sky Blue – 2 balls (C)
- #1068-13 Royal Blue – 1 ball (D)

Hooks: US Size I-9 (5.5 mm) crochet hook and US Size G-6 (4 mm) *or size needed to obtain gauge*

Notions: Tapestry needle

GAUGE

12 sts x 13 rows = 4" in Sc with 5.5 mm hk

Save time, check your gauge.

STITCH GUIDE

Puff Stitch: Yo, insert hk into the designated st, yo, draw through and pull up a lp, rep twice more into the same st, (7 loops on hk), yo, pull through all 7 loops, ch 1 to complete puff st.

Cluster Stitch: Yo, insert hk into designated st or sp, yo, draw up a lp, yo, pull through 2 loops, *yo, insert hk in sp, yo, pull up a lp, yo, pull through 2 loops, rep from * twice more, (5 loops on hk), yo, pull through all 5 loops, ch 2 to complete cluster st.

PATTERN NOTES

You can save some time on weaving ends in by starting each round 2 stitches behind the stitch with the yarn tail from the previous round so you can crochet over the yarn tail to hide it as you work the round.

MANDALAS (Make 2)

With larger (5.5mm) hk and A, ch 5.

Rnd 1: Sl st to join with 1st ch, ch 3 (this counts as your first dc), make 16 dc in center of ring, sl st into the top of the ch 3 to join. Cut A – 17 dc.

Rnd 2: With B ch 3, work a **puff stitch** in each stitch around, you should have 17 total. Sl st into the top ch of ch-3 to join. Cut B – 16 puff sts and 1 hdc.

Rnd 3: With C, ch 3, work a **cluster st** in each ch-1 sp around, sl st into the top ch of ch-3 to join. Cut C – 17 cluster sts.

Rnd 4: With D, ch 3, work a **cluster st** in each ch-1 sp around (making sure to ch 3 to complete each cluster this round instead of ch 2), ch 3. Sl st into the top ch of ch 3 to join. Cut D – 17 cluster sts.

Rnd 5: Attach B in any ch sp, *sc around same ch sp, ch 2, insert hk into the top of the cluster stitch directly below from Rnd 3, sl st, ch 2, sl st in ch sp you first worked a sc in. (*You should see a "V" shape forming*). Sl st into next 2 sts*; rep from * 17 more times. Sc around the same ch in the first ch sp you began in to join. Cut B – 17 v's.

Rnd 6: With A, attach yarn in a ch sp in the center of any "V", *ch 4, sl st in same sp, ch 1, dc into the back loop of next 2 sts, ch 1 (this creates a picot)*; rep from * 16 more times. Sl st into beginning st of rnd to join. Cut A – 17 picots.

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For Rnd 7, you will be working on the WS of the mandala, working through the front loops. When viewed from the RS, the sts in this rnd will sit behind the mandala, so that the mandala sit on top.

Rnd 7 (WS): Attach D in any ch sp, ch 3, *make 5 dc flo in next st, sk 2 sts*; repeat from * to complete the entire rnd. Sl st into the top ch of the ch-3 to join. Cut D. *(You may sk more than 2 spaces between dcs if you notice it's starting to ruffle and not sit flat).*

Rnd 8 (RS): With C, sc around entire rnd and sl st with first sc to join.

STRAP

With larger (5.5 mm) hk and C, ch 11.

Row 1 (RS): Dc into 5th ch from hk, dc in next 6 chs. Turn.

Row 2 (WS): Ch 7, sc into ch 3 of previous row. Turn.

Row 3: Ch 3, make 6 dc around ch, dc into last st.

Turn.

Rows 4-35: Rep Rows 2 and 3 32 more times.

Now, you will continue working around the bottom of the mandalas, attaching them together to create the bottom of the satchel until you meet the other end of the strap on the opposite side.

Row 36: 7 Sc, turn.

Rows 37-94: Rep Row 36 58 more times. Sl st both ends of strap together.

Sc strap to edges of the mandalas to attach and form the satchel, making sure to leave an opening of approx. 28 stiches on both sides and attaching the sc portion of the strap to the mandalas. With C, sl st in stitches along opening of satchel to reinforce the area.

CLOSURE

Loop

With smaller (4 mm) hk and C, ch 20 and sl st to first ch to join ends. Draw the joined end of the loop through a st space at the top center of a mandala towards the inside of the satchel so that the rest of the loop hangs from the opposite side. Sew the end of the loop into place on the inside of the satchel.

Button

With smaller (4 mm) hk and D, form a **Magic Ring**. Ch 1.

Rnd 1: 5 sc into loop, pull tail to close loop of magic ring. Sl st into the 1st sc to join, ch 1.

Rnd 2: Sc into the same sc with sl st, sc twice into each st, sl st into the 1st sc to join.

Sew the button to the front of the 2nd mandala in the top center so that it sits over the rnd of D. You should be able to pull the loop you created around the button as a closure for the satchel.

FINISHING

Weave in ends.

Abbreviations

ch	chain
dc	double crochet
dc flo	double crochet through the front loop only
hdc	half double crochet
hk	hook
rep	repeat(ing)
rnd(s)	round(s)
RS	right side
sk	skip
sl st	slip stitch
sp(s)	space(s)
st(s)	stitch(es)
yo	yarn over
WS	wrong side

