



# Crochet Hobo Bag

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Bag measures 16" wide x 21" tall, including strap.

RED HEART® "Artesano™": 2 Balls 4375 Exotic.

Crochet Hook: 5.5mm [US I-9].

12" Two-Slider Zipper (Coats & Clark Art.F.53), yarn needle, sewing needle and matching thread.

**GAUGE:** 14 sc = 4"; 10 rows = 4" in sc. **CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge.**

### Special Abbreviations:

**sc2tog (sc dec)** = Insert hook into st and draw up a loop. Insert hook into next st and draw up a loop. Yarn over, draw through all 3 loops on hook.

### BAG (Front and Back Alike)

Ch 27.

**Row 1 (Right Side):** Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in next ch, [2 sc in next ch, sc in next 2 ch] 8 times – 34 sc.

**Row 2:** Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

**Row 3:** Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in first sc, sc across to last sc, 2 sc in last sc – 36 sc.

**Rows 4-13:** Repeat Rows 2-3 for 5 more times – 46 sc.

**Rows 14-16:** Repeat Row 2.

**Row 17:** Repeat Row 3 – 48 sc.

Repeat Rows 14-17 twice more – 52 sc.

Work even piece measures 10" from beginning, end with a wrong side row.

### Shape Top

#### Left Side

**Row 1:** Ch 1, turn, sc in first 18 sc, slip st in next sc. Leave remaining sts unworked.

**Row 2:** Ch 1, turn, skip slip st and next sc, slip st in next sc, sc across – 16 sc.

**Row 3:** Ch 1, turn, sc to last sc, slip st in last sc – 15 sc.

**Rows 4-7:** Repeat Rows 2-3 twice more – 9 sc.

**Rows 8-10:** Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.

Fasten off.

#### Right Side

**Row 1:** With right side facing, skip center 14 sc, join yarn with slip st in next sc, sc in each sc to end – 18 sc. Work as for Left Side, reversing shaping.

### FINISHING

Sew Front and Back together along bottom and side edges.

### Strap

**Row 1:** With right side facing, join yarn in first sc on last row of one Top edge, ch 1, work 18 sc across both sides of Top edge.

**Row 2:** Ch 1, turn, sc in first sc, sc2tog, sc across to last 3 sc, sc2tog, sc in last sc – 16 sc.

**Rows 3-5:** Repeat Row 2 – 10 sc.

Work even until Strap measures 18" from Top edge, end with a right side row.

**Increase Row:** Ch 1, turn, sc in first sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc across to last 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc, sc in last sc – 12 sc.

Repeat Increase Row 3 more times – 18 sc.





**Last Row:** Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc across.  
Fasten off, leaving a long end for sewing.

Sew end of Strap to last row of opposite Top edge. Fold long edge of Strap in half to wrong side and sew closed.

### Top Opening

Sew Top edge of Front and Back together for 2" from each Strap on either side for opening for zipper.

### Zipper Edge Round

With right side facing, join yarn at zipper opening, ch 1, sc evenly around, slip st in first sc.

Fasten off.

Sew zipper into zipper opening.



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(172m) balls.

**ABBREVIATIONS:** **ch** = chain; **mm** = millimeters;  
**sc** = single crochet; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **[ ]** = work directions  
in brackets the number of times specified.

