



Crochet Green Tote Bag

♥ Step-by-Step Tutorial ♥



MATERIALS

- Worsted weight cotton yarn (approx. 600–700 g / 21–24 oz)
Light green (main color)
Cream, brown, pink (2 shades), white, green (for leaves)
- 5.0 mm (H) crochet hook (or size needed for gauge)
- Yarn needle, scissors, stitch markers
- Optional: fabric lining (matching size)

SIZE

Approx. 36 cm (14.2 in) wide
x 32 cm (12.6 in) high
(excluding handles) x 14 cm
(5.5 in) deep.

FINISHED BAG



1. BAG BODY

Worked in rounds from the bottom up.

Bottom (Base): Ch 22.

Rnd 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across. (21 sc)

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each st around. (42 sc)

Rnd 3: *Sc, 2 sc in next st* repeat around. (63 sc)

Rnd 4: *2 sc, 2 sc in next st* repeat around. (84 sc)

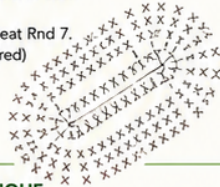
Rnd 5: Sc in each st around. (84 sc)

Rnd 6: *2 sc, sk 1 st* repeat around.

Rnd 7: Sc in each st and in each ch-1 sp around.

Rnd 8 – Rnd 24: Repeat Rnd 7. (Adjust height as desired)

Fasten off.



2. BAG BODY CONTINUED

The body uses a mesh stitch (Sc in each st and in each ch-1 space) to create a light, flexible fabric.



3. HANDLES (MAKE 2)

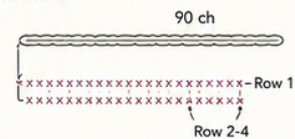
Ch 90.

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across. (89 sc)

Row 2 – Row 4: Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across.

Fasten off.

Sew each end securely to the inside top edge of the bag. (Spacing between handles approx. 14–16 cm / 5.5–6.3 in)



4. FLOWER APPLIQUE

Make 1 flower.

Center (brown):

Rnd 1: Magic ring, 6 sc. (6)

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each st around. (12)

Petals (cream):

Rnd 1: Join cream yarn in any st.

Ch 1, sc, hdc, dc, hdc, sc, sl st in same st. Sl st into next st.

Repeat around for 5 petals.

Leaves (green):

Ch 10, sc in 2nd ch from hook, hdc, dc, hdc, sc, sl st.

Make 2 leaves.



5. BERRIES (MAKE 4)

Make 2 pink, 1 light pink, 1 white.

Rnd 1: Magic ring, 6 sc. (6)

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each st around. (12)

Rnd 3 – Rnd 4: Sc in each st around. (12)

Rnd 5: *Sc, dec* repeat around. (8)

Stuff firmly.

Close and fasten off.



6. ASSEMBLE THE DECORATION

- Sew the leaves behind the flower.
- Attach the berries using green yarn chains.
- Sew the whole piece onto the front of the bag securely.



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st = stitch
tog = together
... = repeat instructions in between

BASIC STITCHES (US)

Chain (ch)



Single Crochet (sc)



Half Double Crochet (hdc)



Double Crochet (dc)



Slip Stitch (sl st)



TIPS

- Use 100% cotton yarn for durability and stitch definition.
- Blocking helps even out the shape.
- Add a fabric lining for extra strength and a polished finish.
- You can adjust the size by adding or reducing rounds at the base and body.



YOU DID IT!

Enjoy your handmade
crochet tote bag!



LINING (OPTIONAL)

Cut fabric: 2 pieces (36 x 32 cm)
+ 1 oval (36 x 14 cm).
Sew the sides and bottom.
Insert into the bag and
stitch along the top edge.



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CROCHET FLOWER TOTE BAG

PATTERN CHART

MATERIALS

- Worsted weight cotton yarn
 - Green (bag, leaves, stems)
 - White, Brown (flower)
 - Pink, Light pink, White (cherries)
- 4.0 mm (G/6) crochet hook
- Yarn needle
- Scissors

FINISHED SIZE

Approx. 34 cm (W) x 30 cm (H)
(excluding handles)



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- ch = chain
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dc = double crochet
sl st = slip stitch
st(s) = stitch(es)
rep = repeat
() = work instructions in parentheses
* * = repeat instructions between asterisks

RECOMMENDED HOOK

4.0 mm (G/6)



GAUGE

14 dc x 7 rows = 10 cm x 10 cm
(in pattern stitch)

BAG BODY (Make 1)

Worked in the round in pattern stitch.

Pattern Stitch: dc, ch 1, skip 1 st

BOTTOM

Ch 32.

Round 1: Dc in 4th ch from hook and in each ch across. (30 dc)

Round 2: Ch 1, 2 dc in each st around. (60 dc)

Round 3: Ch 1, *dc, 2 dc in next st*, rep from * around. (90 dc)

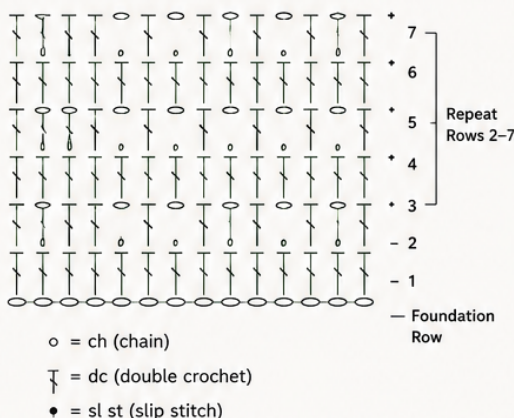
Round 4: Ch 1, *2 dc, 2 dc in next st*, rep from * around. (120 dc)

Round 5: Ch 1, *3 dc, 2 dc in next st*, rep from * around. (150 dc)

Round 6: Ch 1, *4 dc, 2 dc in next st*, rep from * around. (180 dc)

Work even in pattern stitch (dc, ch 1, skip 1 st) until piece measures 25 cm from base. Fasten off.

PATTERN STITCH CHART



HANDLES (Make 2)

Ch 80.

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across. (79 sc)

Row 2: Ch 1, turn, sc in back loop only across.

Row 3–5: Repeat Row 2.

Fasten off, weave in ends.

Sew handles securely to inside top edge of bag.

FLOWER (Make 1)

CENTER (Brown)

Round 1: Magic ring, ch 1, 6 sc in ring. (6)

Round 2: 2 sc in each st around. (12)

Fasten off.



PETALS (White)

(Make 5 petals)

Round 1: Attach yarn in any st, ch 1, 2 sc in same st, (sl st, ch 2, sl st) in next st, 2 sc in next st, sl st in next st.

Fasten off. Repeat around to make 5 petals.

Sew petals to center.



CHERRIES (Make 3)

CHERRY (Make 3) balls

Round 1: Magic ring, ch 1, 6 sc in ring. (6)

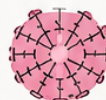
Round 2: 2 sc in each st around. (12)

Round 3: *sc, 2 sc in next st*, rep around. (18)

Round 4–5: Sc in each st around.

Stuff lightly.

Fasten off, weave in ends.



STEM (Make 3)

Ch 25, sl st in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across.

Sew one end to cherry.



LEAVES (Make 2)

Ch 9.

Row 1: Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across. (8 sc)

Row 2: Ch 1, turn, sc across.

Row 3: Ch 1, turn, sc2tog, sc, sc2tog. (4)

Fasten off.

Sew leaves near top of flower.



ASSEMBLY

- Sew the flower to the front upper corner of the bag.
- Sew 3 cherry stems under the flower.
- Add leaves behind the flower.
- Weave in all loose ends.



TIPS

- Use stitch markers to mark the beginning of each round.
- Block the bag lightly for a neat finish.
- You can customize cherry colors as you like!



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Crochet Green Tote Bag – Complete Step-by-Step Tutorial

This Crochet Green Tote Bag is a roomy, lightweight bag worked from the bottom upward in continuous rounds. The open mesh body keeps the project flexible, while the solid oval base gives the tote enough structure for everyday use. A large cream flower, green leaves, and four crocheted berries create the decorative appliqué shown in the tutorial image.

The finished bag measures approximately 36 cm or 14.2 inches wide, 32 cm or 12.6 inches high, excluding the handles, and 14 cm or 5.5 inches deep. Because crochet tension varies, treat these measurements as a guide and adjust the number of rounds when necessary.

This pattern uses US crochet terminology.

Materials and Supplies

You will need approximately 600–700 g or 21–24 oz of worsted-weight cotton yarn for the complete project.

Choose the following colors:

- Light green for the bag and handles
- Cream for the flower petals
- Brown for the flower center
- Green for the leaves and berry stems
- Two shades of pink for the berries
- White or off-white for one berry

You will also need:

- 5.0 mm US H-8 crochet hook, or the hook size needed to obtain the desired gauge
- Yarn needle
- Scissors
- Stitch markers
- Fiberfill for the berries
- Sewing pins, optional
- Matching fabric for the optional lining
- Sewing thread and a hand-sewing needle or sewing machine

Cotton yarn is recommended because it offers excellent durability, clear stitch definition, and less stretching than many soft acrylic yarns. A cotton blend may also be used, but the finished bag may behave differently.

US Crochet Abbreviations

ch – chain

sc – single crochet

hdc – half double crochet

dc – double crochet

sl st – slip stitch

st – stitch

sts – stitches

tog – together

inc – increase by working 2 stitches in the same stitch

dec – decrease

rnd – round

rep – repeat

* – repeat the instructions between the asterisks

The bag body is worked in rounds from the bottom upward. Place a stitch marker in the first stitch of each round and move it upward as you work.

Basic Crochet Stitches

Chain Stitch

Make a slip knot and place it on the hook. Yarn over and pull the yarn through the loop on the hook. Repeat this movement for the required number of chains.

Single Crochet

Insert the hook into the indicated stitch. Yarn over and pull up a loop. You should now have two loops on the hook. Yarn over again and pull through both loops.

Half Double Crochet

Yarn over, insert the hook into the indicated stitch, yarn over, and pull up a loop. You should have three loops on the hook. Yarn over and pull through all three loops.

Double Crochet

Yarn over, insert the hook into the indicated stitch, yarn over, and pull up a loop. Yarn over and pull through the first two loops. Yarn over again and pull through the remaining two loops.

Slip Stitch

Insert the hook into the indicated stitch, yarn over, and pull the yarn through the stitch and directly through the loop on the hook.

Step 1: Crochet the Oval Base

The base begins with a chain and is worked around both sides of that foundation chain. This technique creates an oval shape rather than a flat circle.

Using the light green yarn, ch 22.

Round 1

Work 1 sc in the second ch from the hook.

Work 1 sc in each remaining chain across. You will have worked along one side of the foundation chain.

When you reach the final chain, rotate the work so you can crochet along the unused loops on the opposite side of the foundation chain.

Work 1 sc in each chain across the opposite side.

You should have approximately 42 sc at the end of the round.

Do not turn the work. Continue crocheting in rounds.

Round 2

Work 2 sc in each stitch around.

You should have approximately 84 sc.

This round expands the oval quickly and begins forming the broad bottom of the tote.

Round 3

Repeat the following sequence around:

Sc in the next stitch, 2 sc in the next stitch.

This creates evenly spaced increases.

The chart indicates approximately 63 stitches for this stage. However, stitch totals can vary depending on how the foundation oval is started. The most important goal is to create a smooth oval that lies flat without curling or ruffling.

Round 4

Repeat:

2 sc, 2 sc in the next stitch.

Continue around the base.

The chart lists approximately 84 stitches after this round.

Round 5

Work 1 sc in each stitch around.

Keep the tension even. The oval should remain flat and symmetrical.

Round 6

Repeat:

2 sc, sc in the next stitch.

Continue the increase pattern around.

Round 7

Work 1 sc in each stitch and 1 ch-1 space around, following the spacing established in the tutorial chart.

This round prepares the base for the open mesh body.

Check the base before continuing. It should measure approximately 36 cm by 14 cm, or 14.2 inches by 5.5 inches, when gently flattened. If it is smaller, add another increase round. If it is larger, stop increasing sooner.

A slightly smaller base will produce a more compact tote, while a larger base will create a wider bag.

Step 2: Crochet the Mesh Bag Body

The bag body uses a simple mesh pattern made with single crochet stitches and chain-one spaces. This produces the light, flexible fabric shown in the finished bag.

Round 8

Repeat the stitch pattern established in Round 7:

Sc in the next stitch or chain space, ch 1, skip the next stitch or space.

Continue around.

Rounds 9–24

Repeat Round 8.

Work the mesh stitch evenly around the entire bag. Do not turn unless your preferred joining method requires it.

The body should gradually rise straight upward from the oval base. Avoid adding more increases unless the sides are pulling inward.

Measure the bag regularly. The body should reach approximately 32 cm or 12.6 inches high, excluding the handles.

You may add or remove rounds to change the height. Because yarn thickness and individual tension differ, your exact number of rounds may not match the sample.

After completing the final body round, fasten off and weave in the yarn end securely.

For a firmer upper edge, you may add one finishing round of single crochet around the top opening. Work one single crochet into each stitch and chain space.

Step 3: Make the Handles

Make two identical handles.

Using the light green yarn, ch 90.

A 90-chain foundation produces a long shoulder-style handle similar to the one shown in the tutorial. Before continuing, hold the chain against the bag to make sure the length feels comfortable.

Handle Row 1

Work 1 sc in the second ch from the hook.

Work 1 sc in each remaining chain across.

You should have approximately 89 sc.

Turn.

Handle Row 2

Ch 1. This turning chain does not count as a stitch.

Work 1 sc in each stitch across.

Turn.

Handle Rows 3 and 4

Repeat Row 2.

At the end of Row 4, fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing.

The finished handle should be four rows wide. For thicker handles, add one or two more single-crochet rows.

Make the second handle in the same way.

Optional Handle Reinforcement

Cotton handles can stretch with use. To reduce stretching, place a length of cotton cord, strong ribbon, or non-stretch tape inside each handle.

Fold the handle lengthwise around the reinforcement and sew the edges together with matching yarn. Alternatively, surface crochet a slip-stitch line along the underside of each handle.

Step 4: Attach the Handles

Place the bag flat with the front facing you.

Position the first handle on the front side of the bag. Place each handle end approximately 14–16 cm or 5.5–6.3 inches apart.

Make sure both ends are the same distance from the side edges.

Pin or mark the positions.

Using the long yarn tail and a yarn needle, sew each handle end securely to the inside top edge of the bag. Use several rows of stitching rather than attaching the handle through only one row of crochet.

A square-and-cross sewing pattern provides extra strength:

- 1. Sew around the outer edge of the handle end.**
- 2. Sew diagonally from one corner to the opposite corner.**
- 3. Sew the second diagonal to form an “X.”**
- 4. Repeat the stitching if necessary.**

Position the second handle on the back of the bag. Match its placement to the front handle so the tote hangs evenly.

Check that neither handle is twisted before finishing the seams.

Step 5: Crochet the Flower Center

Make one flower.

Using brown yarn, create a magic ring.

Flower Center Round 1

Work 6 sc into the magic ring.

Pull the yarn tail to close the center.

Join with a slip stitch if desired.

You should have 6 sc.

Flower Center Round 2

Work 2 sc in each stitch around.

You should have 12 sc.

Fasten off the brown yarn, leaving a tail for securing the center if needed.

Keep the flower center fairly firm because it supports the five petals.

Step 6: Crochet the Five Cream Petals

Join the cream yarn to any stitch of the brown center.

Each petal is worked into one stitch of the center and then anchored with a slip stitch.

For the first petal:

Ch 1, sc, hdc, dc, hdc, sc, sl st in the same stitch.

This creates one rounded petal.

Slip stitch into the next stitch or move to the next suitable attachment point, depending on the spacing of your center.

Repeat the same petal sequence until you have made five petals:

Ch 1, sc, hdc, dc, hdc, sc, sl st in the same stitch.

Arrange the petals evenly around the brown center.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for sewing the flower to the bag.

Gently shape each petal with your fingers. If desired, lightly steam-block the flower, keeping the heat source above the yarn rather than pressing directly onto it.

Step 7: Crochet the Green Leaves

Make two leaves.

Using green yarn, ch 10.

Beginning in the second chain from the hook, work the following stitches along the chain:

hdc, dc, hdc, sc, sl st

Continue working the stitches in a balanced arrangement so the center of the leaf is wider than both ends.

After reaching the end of the chain, rotate the work and crochet along the opposite side of the foundation chain.

Use the same stitch sequence in reverse order to form the second side of the leaf.

Finish with a slip stitch near the beginning.

Fasten off, leaving a tail for sewing.

Repeat for the second leaf.

The leaves should have pointed ends and a slightly wider middle. If necessary, adjust the order of the half double crochet and double crochet stitches to improve the shape.

For a more defined center vein, surface slip stitch along the middle of each leaf using a slightly darker green yarn.

Step 8: Crochet the Four Berries

Make four berries:

- Two dark pink berries
- One light pink berry
- One white or cream berry

Each berry is made separately and lightly stuffed.

Using the selected berry color, create a magic ring.

Berry Round 1

Work 6 sc into the magic ring.

Pull the ring closed.

You should have 6 sc.

Berry Round 2

Work 2 sc in each stitch around.

You should have 12 sc.

Berry Rounds 3 and 4

Work 1 sc in each stitch around.

You should maintain 12 stitches.

These rounds create the rounded middle of the berry.

Berry Round 5

Repeat:

Sc two stitches together.

Continue around.

You should have approximately 6 stitches remaining.

Before closing the berry, add a small amount of fiberfill. Stuff it firmly enough to hold a round shape, but do not overfill it.

Cut the yarn, leaving a tail. Thread the tail through the front loops of the remaining stitches and pull tightly to close.

Secure the yarn and weave in the end.

Repeat these instructions until all four berries are complete.

Step 9: Make the Berry Stems

Use green yarn to make the hanging chains that connect the berries.

The sample shows two upper dark-pink berries positioned side by side, two lighter berries below them, and the white berry hanging at the bottom.

Make green chains in different lengths so the berries form a cascading cluster.

Suggested chain lengths are:

- **Two short chains for the top berries**
- **Two medium chains for the middle berries**
- **One slightly longer chain for the bottom white berry**

The exact number of chains is flexible. Hold the decoration against the bag while working and adjust the lengths until the arrangement looks balanced.

Attach one end of each chain securely to a berry. Leave the opposite end available for joining the cluster behind the flower.

You may also crochet a thicker central stem by making a chain and slip stitching back along it.

Step 10: Assemble the Flower and Berry Decoration

Lay the flower, leaves, chains, and berries on a flat surface before sewing.

Place the two leaves behind the flower. Angle one leaf toward the left and the other toward the right.

Sew the leaves to the back of the flower using their yarn tails.

Arrange the two dark-pink berries immediately below the flower.

Position the lighter pink berries below them and place the white berry at the bottom.

Attach the green berry chains behind the flower or to a small central green stem.

Make sure the berries hang freely and do not cover the flower petals.

Once you are satisfied with the arrangement, knot and weave in all loose yarn ends at the back of the decoration.

Step 11: Attach the Decoration to the Bag

Place the bag flat with the front facing upward.

Position the appliqué near the upper center of the bag, slightly below the top edge, as shown in the tutorial image.

Pin the flower and leaves in place.

Using matching yarn and a yarn needle, sew around the outer edges of the flower center and selected areas of the petals.

Avoid sewing every part of the petals completely flat; leaving the outer edges slightly raised creates a more dimensional appearance.

Sew the leaves securely behind the flower.

Attach the upper portions of the green berry chains to the bag. Add a few hidden stitches farther down the chains if you want the decoration to remain close to the bag.

Secure the berries with one or two discreet stitches at the back of each piece. This helps prevent them from swinging excessively while still preserving their three-dimensional appearance.

Check the inside of the bag and make sure all knots are tight and yarn ends are woven in.

Step 12: Add the Optional Fabric Lining

A lining helps prevent small objects from slipping through the mesh stitches. It also protects the crochet fabric from pens, keys, cosmetics, and other items.

The tutorial suggests cutting:

- Two rectangular fabric pieces measuring approximately 36 × 32 cm, or about 14.2 × 12.6 inches
- One oval piece measuring approximately 36 × 14 cm, or about 14.2 × 5.5 inches

These measurements correspond to the finished bag dimensions. Before cutting, measure your actual crochet bag and add an appropriate seam allowance.

A seam allowance of approximately 1 cm or $\frac{3}{8}$ inch is usually suitable.

Sew the Lining Sides

Place the two rectangular pieces with right sides together.

Sew along both side edges.

Leave the top edge open.

Attach the Oval Bottom

Pin the oval fabric piece around the lower opening of the joined rectangles.

Distribute the fabric evenly so there are no large gathers.

Sew around the oval.

Clip the curved seam allowance carefully without cutting through the stitching. This allows the fabric to turn smoothly.

Finish the Top Edge

Fold the upper raw edge of the lining toward the wrong side by approximately 1 cm or $\frac{3}{8}$ inch.

Press the fold.

Insert the lining into the crochet bag with the wrong side of the lining facing the inside of the crochet.

Position the folded lining edge slightly below the top crochet edge.

Hand-sew the lining to the bag using small, evenly spaced stitches.

Avoid sewing through to the outer front surface whenever possible.

Keep the lining loose enough that it does not pull or distort the crochet fabric.

Step 13: Block and Shape the Finished Tote

Blocking helps even out the stitches and improve the final shape.

Fill a basin with cool or lukewarm water and add a small amount of mild detergent suitable for cotton.

Submerge the bag and allow it to soak briefly.

Do not twist or wring the crochet.

Gently press out excess water and roll the bag inside a clean towel.

Shape the base into an even oval and straighten the sides.

Arrange the handles so they are equal in length and not twisted.

Shape the petals, leaves, and berries carefully.

Allow the bag to dry completely on a flat, well-ventilated surface.

When the bag is dry, inspect the handles and decoration one final time. Add extra reinforcing stitches wherever needed.

Adjusting the Bag Size

The bag can be resized by changing the foundation chain, the number of base rounds, or the number of body rounds.

For a wider bag, begin with a longer foundation chain and continue increasing until the oval reaches the desired width and depth.

For a taller bag, add more mesh rounds before finishing the top edge.

For a shorter tote, stop the body earlier.

When changing the width, remember to reposition the handles. They should remain centered and evenly spaced.

A larger bag may require wider handles or additional reinforcement to prevent stretching.

Helpful Tips for a Stronger Finished Bag

Use 100% cotton yarn or a durable cotton blend for better stitch definition and reduced stretching.

Keep the base stitches firm. A loose base may sag when the bag is filled.

Do not over-tighten the mesh stitches. The sides should remain flexible and open.

Reinforce the handle attachment points with several rows of sewing.

Add a fabric lining if the bag will carry small or heavy objects.

For additional structure, insert a removable plastic canvas oval between the crochet base and the lining.

Block the bag after assembly so the flower, leaves, and body stitches settle into their final shape.

Care Instructions

Hand washing is the safest cleaning method, especially when the bag includes stuffed berries and a fabric lining.

Wash in cool water with mild detergent.

Gently press out excess water without twisting.

Reshape the bag and dry it flat.

Avoid hanging the wet bag by its handles because the weight of the water may stretch them.

Do not use high heat unless the yarn and lining fabric are confirmed to be heat-safe.

Final Result

Your finished Crochet Green Tote Bag should have a sturdy oval base, an airy green mesh body, two long matching handles, and a dimensional floral decoration on the front.

The completed dimensions should be close to:

- Width: 36 cm or 14.2 inches
- Height: 32 cm or 12.6 inches, excluding handles
- Depth: 14 cm or 5.5 inches

The final size may vary slightly depending on your yarn, hook, tension, and number of rounds. Once the handles and decoration are securely attached, your handmade tote is ready to use for shopping, craft supplies, casual outings, or everyday storage.

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