

## Grab Bags

### About this project:

I love little bags to hold different things and keep my totes and purses more organized.

This pattern includes instructions for making the bags in different lengths with different "hangers". I have designed these to clip or "grab" other bags.

For water bottles: I love water bottle holders. During the school year I noticed a lot of the middle school kids had a water bottle. I thought it would be nice to have a holder attached to their backpacks to carry it to and from school. One less thing to carry, plus it won't be in their bags with books in case it sweats.

To keep things safe and separate: I like having a separate pocket for my phone so it doesn't get lost among other things. This bag, hooked to a handle, gives me a place for a phone, glasses, pen and paper, gum, etc.



I think there are so many ways these bags can be used and they are quick to whip up so they would be great for craft fairs.

### Materials

- Worsted Weight Yarn in cotton or acrylic - 50-75 yards ea of 2 different colors (150 yards total)
  - Sample yarns: Sugar 'n Cream cotton yarn in Hot Pink, Hot Orange, Hot Green, Sonoma (fleck)
- Crochet Hook: I (5.5mm)
- Notions: Yarn needle
- Optional: Measuring tape, scissors, caribiner hook

### Measurements

- Finished Measurements: 5" across x desired length. Green - 10" long, Pink - 8.5" long, Orange - 6.5" long
- Gauge: not needed for this project.

### Tips - Please read before you begin the project.

- First stitch of each row is worked into the same stitch as the turning chain.
- Numbers at the beginning of each line may refer to steps and not indicate number of rows.
- Stitch count remains the same unless noted at end of row/round.
- If you have any questions about this pattern please contact [heidi@snappy-tots.com](mailto:heidi@snappy-tots.com).



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## Directions

All bags start the same way. Length and top rim choices will be made later.

1. With an I hook and yarn, start with a magic circle of 8 sts (or preferred method for starting a circle of 8 sc sts), pull closed and place marker for working in the round. (8sts)
2. 2sc in each st to end of round. (16sts)
3. \*Sc, 2 sc in next st\*, repeat to end of round. (24sts)
4. Note: Be aware of the number of sc sts worked before the increase. \*Sc 3, 2 sc in next st\*, repeat to end of round. (30sts)
5. \*Sc 4, 2 sc in next st\*, repeat to end of round. (36sts) Stitch count remains the same from this point on.
6. Sc in each st to end of round.
7. Repeat previous round for an additional 6 rounds.
8. Sc in next st, sl st in next st. This is to lower the height of the round to make the color change more even. This is the new start of the round. Change yarn color. Ch 1, sc in same st and in each st to end of round, sl st to join.
9. \*(sc, hdc, dc) in next st, sk 2\*, repeat to end of round. Do not join at the end of this round. Place a marker for working in the round.
10. Repeat previous round for the following amount of rounds:
  - Long bag (green sample): 15 more rounds
  - Medium bag (pink sample): 11 more rounds
  - Small bag (orange sample): 5 more rounds
11. Sl st in next sc st (remember to sk 2 to finish off the repeat from previous round). Change yarn color. Ch 1, sc in same st and in each st to end of round, sl st to join.

Continue to the next part.



## Finishing the Top Edge

Choose from one of the following options:

### Tab

- 12-14. Ch 1, sc in same st and in each st to end of round, sl st to join.
15. Ch 1, sc in same st, sc 3.
16. Ch 1, turn, sc in same st, sc 3.
17. Repeat previous row for an additional 8 rows.
18. Ch 1, sl st evenly down the side of the tab. Sl st in each st around top edge of bag. Sl st evenly up the side of the tab. Finish off, leaving a long tail for sewing tab edge to bag.



Fold the tab forward and match the short end of the tab to the bottom edge of the tab. With a yarn needle, use the yarn tail to sew the two layers together. Leave the sides open.

### Loop

12. Ch 1, sc in same st and in each st to end of round, sl st to join.
13. This step creates the loop. Sl st in next st, ch 15, sk 4 sts, sl st in next st on top edge of bag. Sc in each st to end of round.
14. Sc in each ch and ea st to end of round. Do not join.
15. Sl st in each st to end of round. Finish off and weave in ends.



### Drawstring

- 12-14. Ch 1, sc in same st and in each st to end of round, sl st to join.
15. \*ch 2, sk 2, sc 2\*, repeat to end of round.
16. \*Sc 2 around ch, sc 2\*, repeat to end of round, sl st to join.
17. Sl st in each st to end of round. Finish off and weave in ends.

### Drawstring:

The sample has a 16" drawstring. It is a great length for a pouch but if you will be attaching this to a bag trap (flipping the bag through the handle), I suggest creating a longer drawstring.



**Regular drawstring:** With an I hook and contrasting yarn, ch 61, sl st in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across. Finish off and weave in ends.

**Longer drawstring:** With an I hook and contrasting yarn, ch 101, sl st in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across. Finish off and weave in ends.

Weave one end of the drawstring in and out of the open spaces at the top edge. Hold the ends together and tie a knot.





Common Abbreviations	
beg	beginning
ch	chain
sl	slip
st	stitch
sp	space
sc	single crochet
hdc	half double crochet
dc	double crochet
tr	treble/triple crochet
bp	back post
fp	front post
blo	back loop only
flo	front loop only
sc2tog	single crochet 2 sts together
hdc2tog	half double crochet 2 sts together
dc2tog	double crochet 2 sts together
*	repeat instructions
yo	yarn over

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I hope you will enjoy this pattern and I would love to see what you make. Please share pix as a ravelry project or tag me in social media posts by adding #snappytots.

I hope you have a wonderful day!

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