

# Eco-Friendly Shopping Bag

## Materials:

- Around 150 Yards of Worsted Weight Yarn (preferably cotton)
- Size G or H Crochet Hook

## Gauge:

The gauge of this pattern is not important because it will stretch.

## Construction:

This bag is crocheted in the round from the top down. It might be helpful to use a paperclip or a stitch marker to define the start of the round.

## Instructions:

CH- Chain  
SL- Slip Stitch  
SC- Single Crochet  
DC- Double Crochet

## Top & Handles:

1. CH 86.
2. SL 1 to join chain into a circle being careful not to twist the foundation row. SC the next 86 ST (row 1). SC two more rounds.
3. The next row you will be separating the handles from the body of the bag. SC 13, CH 11 (Skip 17 to create first handle), SC 26, CH 11 (Skip 17 to create second handle), SC 13.
4. SC 74 (one round)

## Body

1. CH 4, {Skip 1, DC 1, CH 1} ←Repeat the bracketed stitches until you reach the end of the round.
2. DC into the opening created by the chain stitch openings of the previous round. {CH 1, DC 1} ← Repeat the bracketed stitches for three more rounds.
3. {CH 2, DC 1} ← Repeat for one round.
4. {CH 2, DC 1} ←Repeat for four more rounds.
5. {CH 1, DC 1} ← Repeat for one round.
6. {CH 1, DC 1} ← Repeat for one round.
7. Bag Bottom: At the end of the previous round, lay the bag flat so that the handles are lying on top of one another. While holding the front and the back of the bag together, SC through both sides to close up the bottom of the bag, and tie a knot at the end.
8. Weave in ends.

## Use of Pattern:

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