

Holiday Pouch

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Materials: 1 roll #9 La Espiga nylon color #75

Size D aluminum crochet hook

Fray Check - Dabbing fray check on the ends is necessary when using nylon thread which ravel easily. When coming to an end or changing colors work over the thread just like yarn but leave a little more thread. Then clip close to the stitches and immediately dab Fray Check on the end and the surrounding area on the inside of your work. It can darken the thread so dab lightly but make sure it's saturated.

Dimensions: 4 1/2" x 3 1/2"

Round 1 - Make loop with end of yarn, leaving a 6" tail. Working into this loop (Magic Loop), ch 3, 11 dc in loop. Sl st in top of ch 3. Pull tail of yarn to tighten loop and close opening.

Round 2 - Ch 3, dc in same space. 2 dc in ea dc around, sl st in top of ch 3.

Round 3 - Ch 3, dc in same space. (Dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc) repeat around, ending with dc in last dc, sl st in top of ch 3.

Round 4 - Ch 3, dc in same space. (Dc in next 2 dc, 2 dc in next dc) repeat around, ending with dc in last 2 dc, sl st in top of ch 3.

Round 5 - BLO (back loop only) Ch 1, dc in same space. [Skip next dc, (sc, dc) in next dc] repeat around, ending with skip last dc. Do not join.

Round 6-21 - Right side Sc & dc in next ch 1. Continuing around without joining rounds work sc and dc in ea sc, skipping the dc. End with sc in next sc, sl st in next dc. Ch 3, turn.

Round 22 - BLO Dc in same st. 2 dc in ea st around. Sl st in top of ch 3.

Round 23 - (Ch 1, sl st in next st) repeat around, ending with sl st in beginning ch 1. Fasten off.



Top of Pouch

Round 1 - Working on right side and in free loops of round 22, attach to any loop, ch 2, hdc in next st. (Ch 2, skip next 2 st, hdc in next 2 st) repeat around, ending with ch 2, sl st in top of ch 2.

Round 2 - Ch 2, hdc in next hdc. (2 hdc in ch 2 space, hdc in next 2 hdc), repeat around, ending with 2 hdc in ch 2 space, sl st in top of beginning ch 2.

Round 3 - (Ch 1, sl st in next st) repeat around, ending with sl st in beginning ch 1. Fasten off.

Tie - Ch 135, sl st in 2nd ch from hook and in ea ch. Fasten off.

Weave tie through ch 2 spaces and tie.