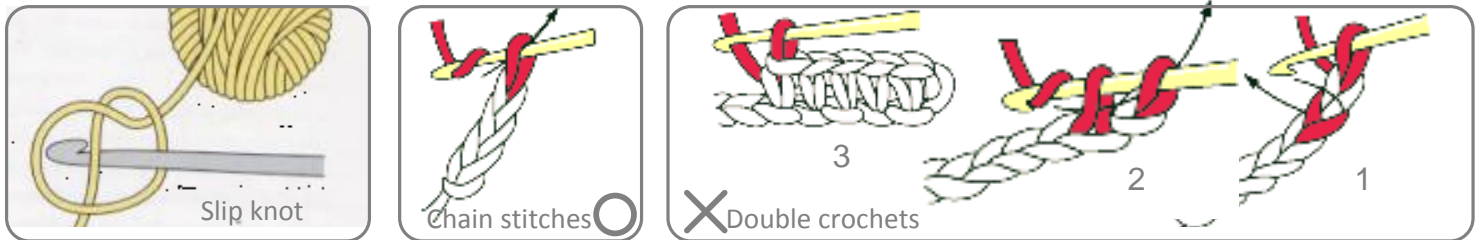


Hooked Zpagetti



Ventimiglia handbag

You only need a limited number of basic stitches for this pattern: chain stitches and double crochets. You also need about 650 grams of zpagetti. We used a 12 mm crochet needle.



The most important quality of Hooked Zpagetti is the varying thickness and texture of the thread. That's why it is important to keep looking at the dimensions and the shape of the crocheted bag for each pattern. The number of stitches per row is therefore not a fixed number, but should be determined depending on the desired dimensions of the end result.

Step 1: the bottom

You start by making a slip knot. This stitch is also called the chain stitch. This will be the bottom of your bag. The number of chain stitches required for the bottom of the bag will be around 15 to 20 to make a bottom of approx. 25 cm. Then you will make the first double crochet as shown in the image above. Continue like this in every stitch until you return to the first chain stitch. In this first chain stitch, make 3 double crochets in the same stitch, creating a circle and allowing you to continue on the other side of the chain stitch. After that, continue until you have gone all the way around. This is the bottom of your bag. This is shown in the diagram below.

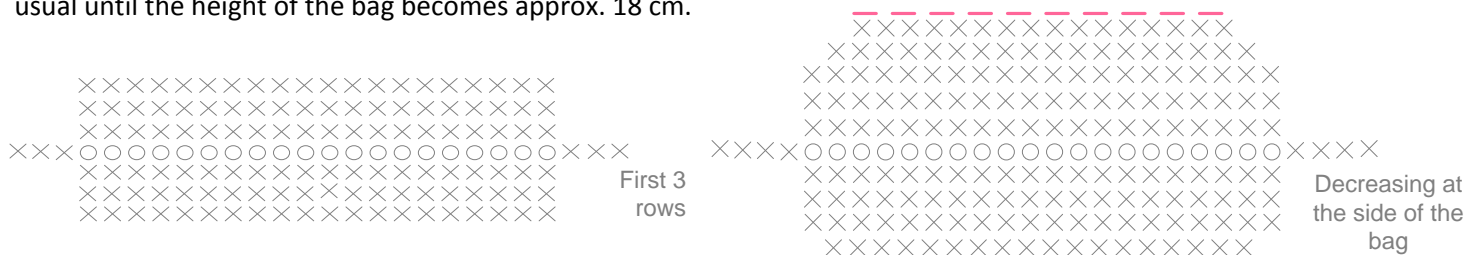


Step 2: the shape of your bag

When the bottom is complete, continue with the same stitch (double crochets) to go around a second time. When using double crochets, you can choose to pick up the inner thread or to pick up both threads of the stitch. If you pick up 1 thread, then a horizontal line will appear in the crochet work; if you pick up both threads, it won't.



After the third turn, you will decrease 2 stitches per turn at the sides of the bag. Continue like this for 3 to 4 rows. This decreases the width of the bag. After this, you continue as usual until the height of the bag becomes approx. 18 cm.



Step 3: the handle

The next row is the one in which you have to leave the opening for the handle. To do this, first count the total number of stitches of one side of the bag. In the above diagram, there are 14. By first making 4 double crochets the way you usually do, then making approx. 8-10 chain stitches and then another 4 double crochets from the 10th stitch, you will create an opening. Do the same on the other side of the bag. Continue to make double crochets for another 2 rows. The bag is now done and you can fasten off.

