

# Free Knitting Pattern Lion Brand® Crayola Off The Hook Colorful Tote Bag

Pattern Number: L90112



# SKILL LEVEL - Beginner

## **FINISHED SIZE**

6 x 6 in. (15 x 15 cm), not including handles.

## **MATERIALS**

- Lion Brand® Crayola Off The Hook (art. #3004)
  - #113 Red 1 ball
- Lion Brand® large-eyed blunt needle



# **ADDITIONAL MATERIALS**

2 yd (2 m) length of smooth matching yarn for seaming

# TOTE BAG SIDES (MAKE 2) SET UP

Pull out one end of yarn and count out 12 loops. You'll be working on just 10 loops to make the Tote Bag, the other 2 loops are the beginning yarn tail and will be secured later.

Check to be sure that all loops are facing upwards and that loops aren't twisted. Lay this length of 12 loops onto a flat surface, with the end of the yarn on your left hand side.

## **MAKE YOUR SIDE**

Now you'll be working back and forth in rows across the loops.

#### Tip

This yarn is designed so that the loops stay in place – you can set the Tote Bag down at any point and the loops won't come undone!

The yarn that's coming from the yarn ball is called the working yarn.

Hold the working yarn behind the length of 10 loops.

With your thumb and index finger, reach through the first loop (10th loop from the end) on the beginning of your Side.

Pull the next loop from the working yarn through the first loop.

Working across the length of loops from right to left, continue to pull the next loop of working yarn through the next loop on the Side until you've pulled up 10 loops - and have 2 loops remaining for the yarn end.

You'll work the second row in the same way as the first row, but working from left to right to pull up a loop of working yarn in each of the 10 loops on the Side.

For the third row, continue pulling up loops of the working yarn, this time working from right to left.

Continue to work back and forth in rows across 10 loops until piece measures about 6 in (15 cm) from the beginning.

## **FINISH YOUR SIDE**

Now you'll need to finish off your loops. Drop the working yarn.

Working in the same direction as the last row you made, pull the second loop through the first; pull the third loop through the second; pull the fourth through the third – and so on across until all the loops have been finished off.

Now you're back at the side with the working yarn. Pull working yarn through the last loop and knot.

Carefully snip the remaining loops from each yarn tail. Just snip the loops off, don't cut through the yarn! Pull each of the trimmed tails through the loops of the Side to secure them.

# HANDLES (MAKE 2)

## **SET UP**

Pull out one end of yarn and count out 4 loops. You'll be working on just 2 loops. This length of 2 loops will be the beginning of your Handle, the other 2 loops are the beginning yarn tail and will be secured later.

Check to be sure that all loops are facing upwards and that loops aren't twisted. Lay this length of 4 loops onto a flat surface, with the end of the yarn on your left hand side.

#### MAKE YOUR HANDLE

Now you'll be working in rows across the length of loops.

The yarn that's coming from the yarn ball is called the working yarn. Hold the working yarn behind the length of loops.

With your thumb and index finger, reach through the first loops (4th loop from the end) on the beginning of your Handle.

Pull the next loop from the working yarn through the first loop.

Working into the next loop from right to left, pull the next loop of working yarn through the next loop – and you have 2 loops remaining for the yarn end.

You'll work the second row in the same way as the first row, but working from left to right to pull up a loop of working yarn in each of the 2 loops on the Handle.

For the third row, continue pulling up loops of the working yarn, this time working from right to left.

Continue to work back and forth in rows across 2 loops until piece measures about 10 in. (25.5 cm) from beginning.

## **FINISH YOUR HANDLE**

Finish off Handle just as you did for Side.

# **SEAM YOUR TOTE BAG**

With smooth yarn threaded into blunt needle, sew Sides together on both side edges, then the bottom edge of Tote Bag.

Sew ends of Handles to the Tote Bag.

Weave in ends.

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