

Pocket Full of Posies Pouch US



I love making the puff flower stitch with this yarn, so I've used it again here.

I think I'll be using mine as a mini project bag, because it came out the perfect size for holding a single skein of yarn and hook. But this could equally work as a clutch bag or pouch for make up – whatever you prefer really!

If you aren't familiar with making the puff petal flowers then please see my video tutorial here:

<http://makemydaycreative.com/2014/09/11/puff-stitch-flower-video-tutorial/>

Materials:

You will need 110m of light worsted weight yarn and a 4.00mm hook. I used exactly one skein of Rowan Lima.

To line your pouch you will need a 70cm by 25cm piece of fabric and matching zip of desired length (I used a 15cm zip).

You will also need a needle and thread.

Pattern:

The pouch is worked in the round from the centre out in two halves.

Begin with a magic ring or ch4 and join with a slip stitch. Work round 1 into the ring and then pull to close.

R1: ch 2, dc2tog (counts as a dc3tog), ch 3, *dc3tog, ch3, repeat from *4 more times, join with a sl-st into the first dc3tog st (6 petals made, and 6 ch sps)

R2: sl-st into the next ch sp, ch2 (counts as dc), 4 dc into same ch-sp, 5dc into each remaining ch-sp, sl-st to join (30sts)

R3: Ch2 (counts as dc), dc in same st, *make 4 puff petals over the next 4 dc sts, (3dc) into next st, repeat from* 4 more times, make 4 puff petals over the last 4 dc sts, dc in starting st, sl-st to join (6 partial flowers and 18dc sts)

R4: Ch2 (counts as dc), dc in next st, make the 5th and 6th puff petals of the first flower, *dc 3 times, make the 5th and 6th puff petals of the next flower, repeat from * 4 more times, dc in final st, join to first st with a sl-st (6 complete flowers, 18dc sts)

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Round 5 works 11 dc sts for each flower (and the sts in between) in the round below.

R5: Ch2 (counts as dc), *dc, dc in space between this dc and the puff petal, dc in ch securing petal, 3dc in ch-sp, dc in ch securing next puff st, dc in space between last puff petal and next st, dc in next st, (2dc) in next st, repeat from * around, dc in 1st st, join with a sl-st (66 sts)

R6: Ch2, *dc in next st, make 4 puff petals, (2dc), make 4 puff petals, dc, repeat from * 2 more times omitting last dc and join with a sl-st into the first st (12 partial flowers and 24dc sts)

R7: Ch2 (counts as dc), *dc, make the 5th and 6th petals of the next flower, dc, repeat from * 11 more times omitting final dc and join with a sl-st (12 flowers and 24 dc)

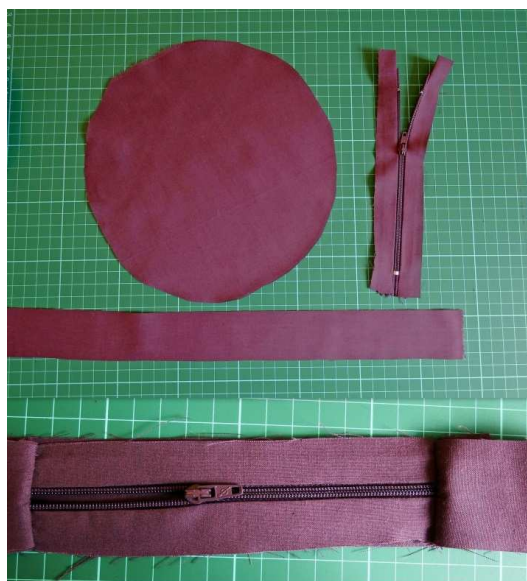
R8: Ch2 (counts as dc), *(2dc) in next st, dc in the space between the last st and the puff petal, 3dc into ch-sp, dc in space between the next puff petal and the next st, dc, repeat from * 11 more times omitting final dc, join with a sl-st into the back loop only (96 sts)

R9: Ch2 (counts as dc), dc into the back loop of each st around, join with a sl-st (96 sts)

Fasten off and weave in ends

Repeat R1-R9 to make the second half, but leave a long tail to seam the two halves together.

Making up:



To seam the crochet pieces, use mattress stitch (or your preferred seaming method) to stitch the two halves together leaving an opening the same length as the zip.

To make the lining, I cut 2 circles 1.5cm larger all around than the finished crochet piece. I then cut two strips the length of my zip plus seam allowance of 1.5cm, and a final strip which was the length of the remaining diameter of the pouch plus seam allowance.

I sewed the shorter strips either side of the zip and then attached the long strip to either end of the zip. Finally I pinned and sewed the front and back circles to the zip section.



Once I had made the lining and turned it the right way out, I sewed the crochet piece into place around the zip.

Finally, stitch on the zip pull if you like:

Zip pull pattern:

Begin with a magic ring or ch4 and join with a slip stitch. Work round 1 into the ring and then pull to close.

R1: ch 2, dc2tog (counts as a dc3tog), ch 3, *dc3tog, ch3, repeat from *4 more times, join with a sl-st into the first dc3tog st (6 petals made, and 6 ch sps)

R2: ch1, 3 sc into each ch-sp around, join with a sl-st (18sts)

R3: ch1, sc 3 times, ch1, turn (3sts)

R4: Repeat R3

R5: sc3tog (1 st)

Fasten off



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