

Nylon Popcorn Purse

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DIRECTIONS

Beginner

SIZE

9½ x 13 inches, excluding handle

MATERIALS

- Size 18 nylon crochet thread: 550 yds red
- Size F/5 crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- 13 x 34-inch piece cotton fabric
- 5½ x 26-inch piece cotton fabric for inner pocket
- 12-inch red zipper
- 12 x 16½-inch 7-count plastic canvas
- Straight pins
- Sewing needle and thread
- Tapestry needle

GAUGE

4 sc = 1 inch; 5 sc rows = 1 inch
Check gauge to save time.

PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Popcorn (pc): 4 dc in indicated st, draw up a lp, remove hook, insert hook in first dc of 4-dc group, pick up dropped lp and draw through st on hook.

PURSE FRONT

Row 1: Ch 56, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (55 sc)

Row 2: Ch 1, sc in each st across, turn.

Rows 3 & 4: Rep Row 2.

Row 5: Ch 1, sc in each of next 6 sc, [pc in next sc, sc in each of next 2 sc] 14 times, pc in next sc, sc in each of next 6 sc, turn. (40 sc; 15 pc)

Rows 6–8: Rep Row 2.

Rows 9–40: Rep Rows 5–8.

Rows 41–45: Rep Row 2. At the end of Row 45, fasten off.

PURSE BACK

Row 1: Ch 56, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (55 sc)

Rows 2–45: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn. At the end of Row 45, fasten off.

PURSE BACK POCKET

Row 1: Ch 56, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (55 sc)

Rows 2–25: Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn. At the end of Row 25, fasten off.

ASSEMBLY

Pin purse back pocket to bottom edge of purse back. With RS of front and back tog and working through all thicknesses, leaving top edge open, whipstitch or sc sides and bottom edge tog; turn purse RS out.

With back facing, tack a couple of sts at Row 25 of pocket to back of purse.

HANDLE

Row 1: Attach nylon thread to the right of side seam in 2nd sc, ch 1, sc in same sc, sc in next sc, sk joining seam, sc in each of next 2 sc, turn. (4 sc)



Crochet nylon thread, in vibrant red, makes a chic and appealing clutch purse for a fraction of what it would sell for in an expensive boutique.

Rows 2–120: Ch 1, sc in each of next 4 sc, turn.

Row 121: Working through both thicknesses, sl st Row 120 to opposite side edge of purse.

LINING

For inner pocket, with RS tog, fold 5½ x 26-inch piece of material in half

to measure 5½ x 13 inches. Sew across the 13-inch sides, turn right side out, fold raw edges under and sew across.

With RS tog, fold 13 x 34-inch piece of material in half to measure 13 x 17 inches, open edge up and position bottom edge of pocket 7 inches from top edge. Sew bottom edge of pocket in place, sew vertically up

pocket 4 inches from edge, fold lining back in half and sew side edges, turn RS out.

Insert plastic canvas into lining, fold raw edges under and sew closed. Fold plastic canvas liner in half and insert into purse, tack in place to secure. Sew zipper on inner edge of Row 44 of each front and back of purse. ☞

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