

# Seaspray Summer Handbag

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## SKILL LEVEL

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## FINISHED SIZE

10½ inches wide x 12½ inches tall, excluding Handles

## MATERIALS

- Lion Brand Cotton-Ease medium (worsted) weight yarn (3½ oz/207 yds/100g per ball):
  - 3 balls #123 seaspray
  - 2 balls #100 snow
- Size G/6/4mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle
- Large safety pin
- Straight pins
- 5 x 10-inch plastic canvas



## GAUGE

2 shells = 1 inch; 4 rows = 1½ inches

## PATTERN NOTES

Weave in loose ends as work progresses.

Join rounds with a slip stitch unless otherwise stated.

## SPECIAL STITCH

**Shell:** (Sc, 2 dc) in next sc.

## BOTTOM

**Row 1:** Starting at bottom with seaspray, ch 39, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (38 sc)

**Rows 2–16:** Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.

**Rnd 17:** Now working in rnds, ch 1, working in ends of rows and in each sc, sc around outer edge of Bottom, making 3 sc in



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each corner, **join** (see *Pattern Notes*) in beg sc. Fasten off. (112 sc)

Using Bottom as pattern, cut one piece of plastic canvas slightly smaller than Bottom. Set aside.

## STRIPED PANEL

**Row 1:** With seaspray, ch 11, sc

in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (10 sc)

**Row 2:** Ch 1, sc in each sc across, **change color** (see *Stitch Guide*) to snow in last sc, turn. (10 sc)

**Row 3:** With snow, ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.

**Row 4:** Ch 1, sc in each sc

across, change color to seaspray in last st made, turn.

**Row 5:** With seaspray, ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.

**Row 6:** Ch 1, sc in each sc across, change color to snow in last st made, turn.

**Rows 7–124:** Rep rows 3–6 consecutively. At the end of row 124, fasten off.

With tapestry needle, sew opposite side of row 124 to opposite side of foundation ch forming a cylinder.

Matching ends of rows with sts of Bottom, pin first long edge of Striped Panel to Bottom. Using tapestry needle and length of seaspray, overcast Striped Panel to **back lps** (see *Stitch Guide*) only of sts of Bottom.

#### BAG BODY

**Rnd 1:** With RS facing, working on rem long edge of Striped Panel, join seaspray with sc in any st in end of rows of Striped Panel, sc in each of each around, join in beg sc, turn. (124 sc)

**Rnd 2:** Ch 1, sk first sc, [shell (see *Special Stitch*) in next sc, sk next 2 sc] around, join in first sc, turn. (41 shells)

**Rnd 3:** Ch 1, sk first 2 dc of first shell, [shell in next sc] around, join in first sc, turn.

**Rnd 4:** Rep rnd 3.

**Rnd 5:** Rep rnd 3, change color to snow in last st, join in first sc, turn.

**Rnds 6–8:** Continue with snow, rep rnd 3.

**Rnd 9:** Rep rnd 3, changing color to seaspray in last st made, join in first sc, turn.

**Rnds 10–12:** Continue with seaspray, rep rnd 3.

**Rnd 13:** Rep rnd 3, change color to snow in last st, join in first sc, turn.

**Rnds 14–29:** [Rep rnds 6–13 consecutively] twice, ending with rnd 13. Fasten off.

#### CASING

##### Make 2.

**Row 1:** With seaspray, ch 6, sc in 2nd ch from hook, sc in each rem ch across, turn. (5 sc)

**Row 2:** Ch 1, sc in each sc across, change color to snow in last st made, turn.

**Row 3:** With snow, ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.

**Row 4:** Ch 1, sc in each sc across, change color to seaspray in last st made, turn.

**Row 5:** With seaspray, ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn.

**Row 6:** Ch 1, sc in each sc across, change color to snow in last st made, turn.

**Rows 7–46:** [Rep rows 3–6 consecutively] 10 times.

**Rows 47 & 48:** Rep rows 3 and 4. Fasten off.

#### TIES

##### Make 2.

With seaspray, ch 101, sl st in 2nd ch from hook, sl st in each ch across. Fasten off.

Pin first Casing centered over front between rnds 20–24. Casing will not extend to sides of bag. Pin 2nd Casing centered over back between rnds 20–24. Sew each Casing in place along top and bottom edges, leaving sides (opposite side of foundation ch of row 1 and last row 48) of Casing open to insert Ties.

With large safety pin, pin end of first Tie, slip pin and Tie through Casing on front with ends extending on each side. Pass 2nd Tie through Casing on back. Tie knot in end of each Tie. Gather Handbag slightly and tie ends of Ties in knot on each side.

#### HANDLES

##### Make 2.

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

**Rows 2–8:** Ch 1, sc in each sc across, turn. At the end of row 8, leaving 20-inch length, fasten off.

Fold Handle in half matching opposite side of foundation ch of row 1 to row 8 forming a cylinder. Sew first Handle centered on top front of Handbag and 2nd Handle centered on back of Handbag. **cw**

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