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# TRAVELLING BAG

Finished measurement	Width	32cm (12½ins)
	Length (without straps)	32cm (12½ins)

## MATERIALS

### SUPER 10 COTTON (125 g)

Main Colour (MC) used: #3242 Flax 2 skeins  
Contrast Colour (CC) used: #3087 Shadow 1 skein

Large bead or button.

Size 3mm crochet hook or size required to achieve correct tension.



## TENSION

24 sts (1 double crochet plus 1 chain = 2 sts) and 18 rows in patt = 10cm(4ins) with 3mm crochet hook over Main Pattern

## ABBREVIATIONS

beg = begin(ning); ch = chain; cm = centimeter(s); con = continue; dc = double crochet (=UK: treble); ins = inches; meas = measures; rep = repeat; RS(F) = right side (facing); sc = single crochet (=UK double crochet); sl st = slip stitch (= UK: single crochet); WS(F) = wrong side (facing).

*Note:* Main Pattern is worked in 2 RS rows, then 2 WS rows. Row 1 = MC, work from right to left, DO NOT TURN, with CC work row 2 with RSF also from right to left. Then repeat both rows on WS.

Pull last loop slightly larger when changing colours to avoid unravelling, then pull firm again when continuing work.

## FRONT

With 3mm crochet hook and Main Colour (MC), ch 79 (base).

### Beg Main Pattern:

**Row 1 (RS):** MC, 1 dc in 6th ch from hook, \*skip 1 ch, 1 dc in next ch; rep from \* to end, leaving MC on hold, DO NOT TURN.

**Row 2 (RS):** CC, join with sl st, 1 sc in ch before first dc from previous row, \*1 ch, 1 sc around ch from previous row (work into space between two dc's); rep from \* to end, leaving

CC on hold, TURN.

**Row 3 (WS):** Return to MC, 4 ch, 1 dc in top of next dc from row 1 (do not work into CC), \*1 ch, 1 dc in top of next dc from row 1; rep from \* to end, leaving MC on hold, DO NOT TURN.

**Row 4 (WS):** Return to CC, 3 ch, 1 sc in ch before first dc from previous row, \*1 ch, 1 sc around ch from previous row (work into space between two dc's), rep from \* to end, leaving CC on hold, TURN.

**Row 5 (RS):** Work as row 3, but on RS.

**Row 6 (RS):** Work as row 4, but on RS.

Cont in Main Pattern as established until piece meas 32cm/12½ins from beg, end with a row in CC.

With MC and RSF, work 1 row sc across top. Fasten off.

## BACK

Work as for front.

## SIDE PANEL AND STRAPS

With 3mm crochet hook and MC, ch 21 (base).

Work as for back until panel meas approx 86.5cm/34ins, DO NOT fasten off.

## DIVIDE FOR STRAPS

Cont in Main Pattern over half the sts only for first strap, leaving other half for 2nd strap.

Work in Main Pattern for approx 75cm/29ins. Fasten off, leaving longer tail for sewing.

Return to other half of panel and

work 2nd strap to match first.

Sew ends of straps to other end of panel.

Mark bottom center of back and front and center of panel.

With WS of front and panel together, using MC, beg at center bottom of front, sc front and panel together (straps beg approx 5cm/2ins down from top front edges), sc along side of strap, then sc together other side of front and panel. Fasten off.

Rep for back and 2nd strap.

With MC, work 1 row sc along inside edge of straps.

## FLAP

**Note:** When working in rounds, add sts at ends of flap where required to keep flap flat.

With 3mm crochet hook and MC, ch 38 (base).

**Row 1 (RS):** MC, 1 dc into 4th ch from hook, \*1 dc into next ch; rep from \* to end, DO NOT TURN.

**Round 1:** CC, sc around entire piece, fasten off CC at end.

**Round 2:** MC, dc around entire piece.

**Round 3 (make loop):** MC, sc to 1 end of flap, ch 14 (or as required to fit size of bead or button), cont in sc to end of round.

**Round 4:** MC, sc around entire flap including loop.

Fasten off.

Sew flap to center back of bag, beg approx 4cm/1½ins down from top edge.

Sew on button or bead.

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