

Lili Backpack Crochet Pattern

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Skill Level:

- Intermediate. Crochet charts reading skill is not required.

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Size:

- Bag is 35cm/ 13 ¾" wide and 34.5cm/ 13 5/8" tall. Bottom width is 16cm/ 6 ¼".

Materials and Tools:

- [Scheepjes Whirl yarn](#) *(60% Cotton x 40% Acrylic, Fingering/ 4 ply weight, 215-225g/ 1000m/ 1094yds):
YarnB: 83g/ 413yds in 755 Blueberry Bambam for sides.
- [Scheepjes Whirlette](#) *(60% Cotton x 40% Acrylic, Fingering/ 4 ply weight, 100g/ 455m/ 497.6yds):

YarnA: 88g/ 438yds in 868/ Bilberry for the bottom, upper edge and straps (22g for bottom, 33g for upper edge, 33g for straps),

YarnC: 83g/ 413yds in 860/ Ice for sides.

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- Crochet hook C-2/ 2.75mm, tapestry needle, markers, 8mm/ 3/8" sew-on snaps (x2) for folded backpack sides.
- **Lining:** about 42cm/ 16 1/2" (measure bag before buying) of quilted fabric, matching thread, sewing machine.

Gauge/Tension:

- Single crochet stitch through back loop only: 30 sts x 30 rows = 10 x 10cm/ 4 x 4". Gauge is not important for this project.

Abbreviations (American crochet terminology):

"	inches	con	connecting	pr	previous row
*	rep instructions for single * as directed	cont	continue	prev	previous
...	rep instructions bet **'s as many times as noted after	dc	double crochet	rem	remain(ing)
		dec	decrease	rep	repeat
		dtr	double treble	RH	right hand
		FL.../ flo	before/ after any st: st	rnd(s)	round(s)
[], { }	rep instructions bet []'s or { }'s as many times as noted after		in front loop only	RS	right side
		FP...	before any st: st in front post	sc	single crochet
approx	approximately			sk	skip
beg	begin/beginning	g	gram(s)	sl st, ss	slip stitch
bet	between	hdc	half double crochet	sp(s)	space(s)
sc	single crochet	inc	increase	st(s)	stitch(es)
BL.../ blo	before/ after any st: st in back loop only	LH	left hand	tog	together
		lp(s)	loop(s)	tr	treble crochet
BP...	before any stitch: st in front post	m	marker	ttr	triple treble
		mm	millimeter(s)	WS	wrong side
ch	chain stitch	oz	ounce	yd(s)	yard(s)
ch-# sp	ch-# space	p	picot	yo	yarn over
cm	centimeter(s)	PU	pick up		
		pm	place marker		

US to UK crochet terminology:

sc = double crochet (dc), hdc = half treble (htr), dc = treble (tr), tr = double treble (dtr), dtr = triple treble (trtr), sk (skip) = miss, gauge = tension, yo = yarn over hook (yoh).

Videos:

Videos only show a few rounds (mostly flower) to help you with written instructions and charts. DO NOT SHARE VIDEOS, please. They are unlisted and parts of a paid pattern. Thank you!

Foundation cord: <https://youtu.be/D2qUB8t4uc8>

Introduction to mosaic charts: <https://youtu.be/badWBBFQOus>

Rounds 1-9: <https://youtu.be/SbMaAkxDpC8>

Hiding rounds beginning line in rounds that start and end with dc (discovered in testing; author: Linda Toering): <https://youtu.be/Rr1gLY2AiFY>

Rounds 14-17: <https://youtu.be/RB-jYaHCRhk>

Rounds 18-20: <https://youtu.be/wdkBpgrSBOw>

Rounds 21-25: <https://youtu.be/pPRa9HCHisc>

Rounds 26-30: <https://youtu.be/NBeaGw3sIaQ>

Rounds 31-43: <https://youtu.be/tCixnwwveAI>

Rounds 56-57: <https://youtu.be/-MifDDhfgco>

Waistcoat stitch in rows for straps: <https://youtu.be/GRNn8n7DA2Q>

Bag bottom:

Chart 1 on p. 5. Video for foundation cord: <https://youtu.be/D2qUB8t4uc8>

Notes:

- Bottom can be made with regular sc (higher density) or BLsc (through back loop only), which is in consistency with the bag first 5 rounds. The prototype is made with sc blo. If you make bag bottom with sc blo, finish every round with ss blo as well.
- **Inc:** increase, 2 sc (or 2 BLsc) in same st.
- **Check for pattern updates and corrections before starting:**
<https://www.outstandingcrochet.com/lili-backpack-crochet-pattern>

Rnd 1 (RS): with A 32 sts foundation cord, ch 1 (doesn't count as st throughout), 3 sc in same st, 30 sc, 3 sc in last st, 30 sc (in foundation from other side), ss in 1st sc. (66 sc)

Rnd 2 (RS): ch 1, *3 inc, pm, 30 sc, pm, rep from * except don't pm at the end of rnd, ss in 1st sc (later in the pattern: ss). (72 sc)

Note: 30 sc on each side are separated from increasing parts by markers to help you count sts. Move markers up in every round.

Rnd 3: ch 1, *[inc, sc] x3, 30 sc, rep from *, ss. (78 sc)

Rnd 4: ch 1, *[2 sc, inc] x3, 30 sc, rep from *, ss. (84 sc)

Rnd 5: ch 1, *[inc, 3 sc] x3, 30 sc, rep from *, ss. (90 sc)

Rnd 6: ch 1, *3 sc, [inc, 4 sc] x2, inc, 1 sc, 30 sc, rep from *, ss. (96 sc)

Rnd 7: ch 1, *1 sc, [inc, 5 sc] x2, inc, 4 sc, 30 sc, rep from *, ss. (102 sc)

Rnd 8: ch 1, *[6 sc, inc] x3, 30 sc, rep from *, ss. (108 sc)

Rnd 9: ch 1, *4 sc, [inc, 7 sc] x2, inc, 3 sc, 30 sc, rep from *, ss. (114 sc)

Rnd 10: ch 1, *[inc, 8 sc] x3, 30 sc, rep from *, ss. (120 sc)

Rnd 11: ch 1, *7 sc, [inc, 9 sc] x2, inc, 2 sc, 30 sc, rep from *, ss. (126 sc)

Rnd 12: ch 1, *3 sc, [inc, 10 sc] x2, inc, 7 sc, 30 sc, rep from *, ss. (132 sc)

Rnd 13: ch 1, *7 sc, [inc, 11 sc] x2, inc, 4 sc, 30 sc, rep from *, ss. (138 sc)

Rnd 14: ch 1, *[12 sc, inc] x3, 30 sc, rep from *, ss. (144 sc)

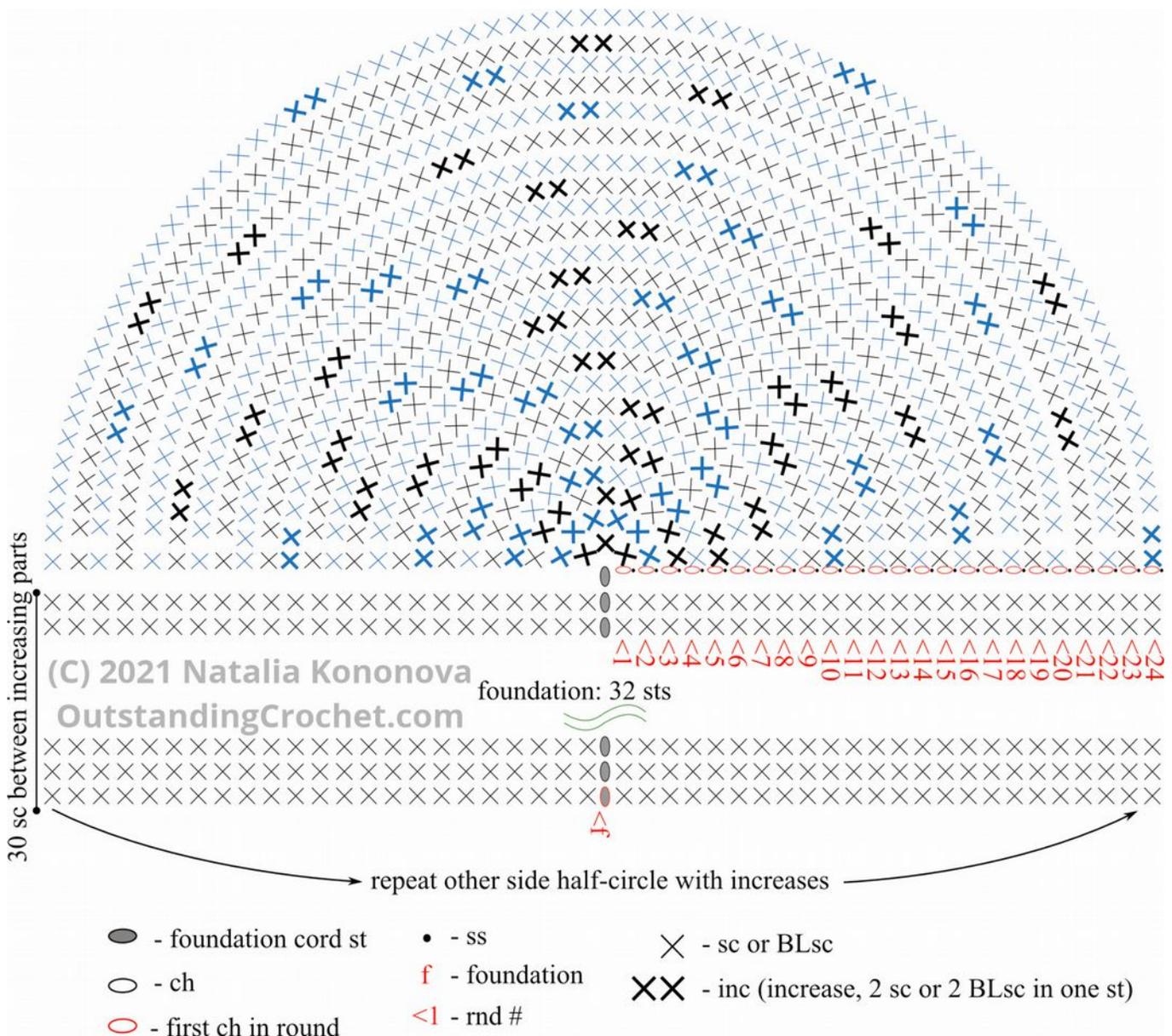


Chart 1. Bottom.

Notes for Chart 1:

- Bag bottom can be made with sc or sc blo (in back lp only). Prototype is made with sc blo.
- Bag bottom is consisted out of two increasing parts and 30 sc between them on each side. Separate each group of 30 sc with markers to help you count stitches. Move them up in every rnd.

Rnd 15: ch 1, *5 sc, [inc, 13 sc] x2, inc, 8 sc, 30 sc, rep from *, ss. (150 sc)

Rnd 16: ch 1, *1 sc, [inc, 14 sc] x2, inc, 13 sc, 30 sc, rep from *, ss. (156 sc)

Rnd 17: ch 1, *10 sc, [inc, 15 sc] x2, inc, 5 sc, 30 sc, rep from *, ss. (162 sc)

Rnd 18: ch 1, *4 sc, [inc, 16 sc] x2, inc, 12 sc, 30 sc, rep from *, ss. (168 sc)

Rnd 19: ch 1, *15 sc, [inc, 17 sc] x2, inc, 2 sc, 30 sc, rep from *, ss. (174 sc)

Rnd 20: ch 1, *10 sc, [inc, 18 sc] x2, inc, 8 sc, 30 sc, rep from *, ss. (180 sc)

Rnd 21: ch 1, *5 sc, [inc, 19 sc] x2, inc, 14 sc, 30 sc, rep from *, ss. (186 sc)

Rnd 22: ch 1, *15 sc, [inc, 20 sc] x2, inc, 5 sc, 30 sc, rep from *, ss. (192 sc)

Rnd 23: ch 1, *11 sc, [inc, 21 sc] x2, inc, 10 sc, 30 sc, rep from *, ss. (198 sc)

Rnd 24: ch 1, *[inc, 22 sc] x3, 30 sc, rep from *, ss. (204 sc)

Fasten off. Wash and dry according to Care section on p. 13. Measure length (L=26cm/ 10 ¼") and width (W=16cm/ 6 ¼"). Trace bag bottom to a piece of paper and cut out a template for making lining.

Straight part:

Charts 2, 3 on p. 7, 11. **Step pictures for Rnds 13-43** on p. 13.

Notes:

- **Yarn color:** Rounds 1-3 are made with B. C and B are alternated in Rounds 4-83, C and A - in Rounds 84-106. Upper edge backing Rounds 107-120 are made with A. Switch to upcoming color at the end of prev round: make joining ss with upcoming color, tighten all loops.
- **Sc, ss:** all sc and ss are made in sts from prev round through back loop only.
- **Dc, dc2inc (2 dc in same st), dc2tog (2 dc together), tr (treble):** all dc and tr are made in sts from one round down (round before previous) and through front loop only. After each dc skip 1 st from prev rnd. Skip 2 sts after dc2inc.
- **FPdc, FPtr, FPhdc (front post stitches):** these stitches are made in front post of directed stitches from 1 rnd down, except FPhdc which is made in dc from prev rnd. Skip 1 st from prev rnd after each FPdc or FPtr.
- **Leg(s):** parts of decreasing sts. For example, **dc2dog** has two dc-legs.

Join YarnB: fold bottom in half length-wise, join B in fold at the side with rounds joining line.

Rounds 1-9 with charts introduction:

<https://youtu.be/SbMaAkxDpC8>

Rnds 1-3: with B ch 1, 204 sc, ss. Switch to upcoming color at the end of Rnd 3: make last ss with C.

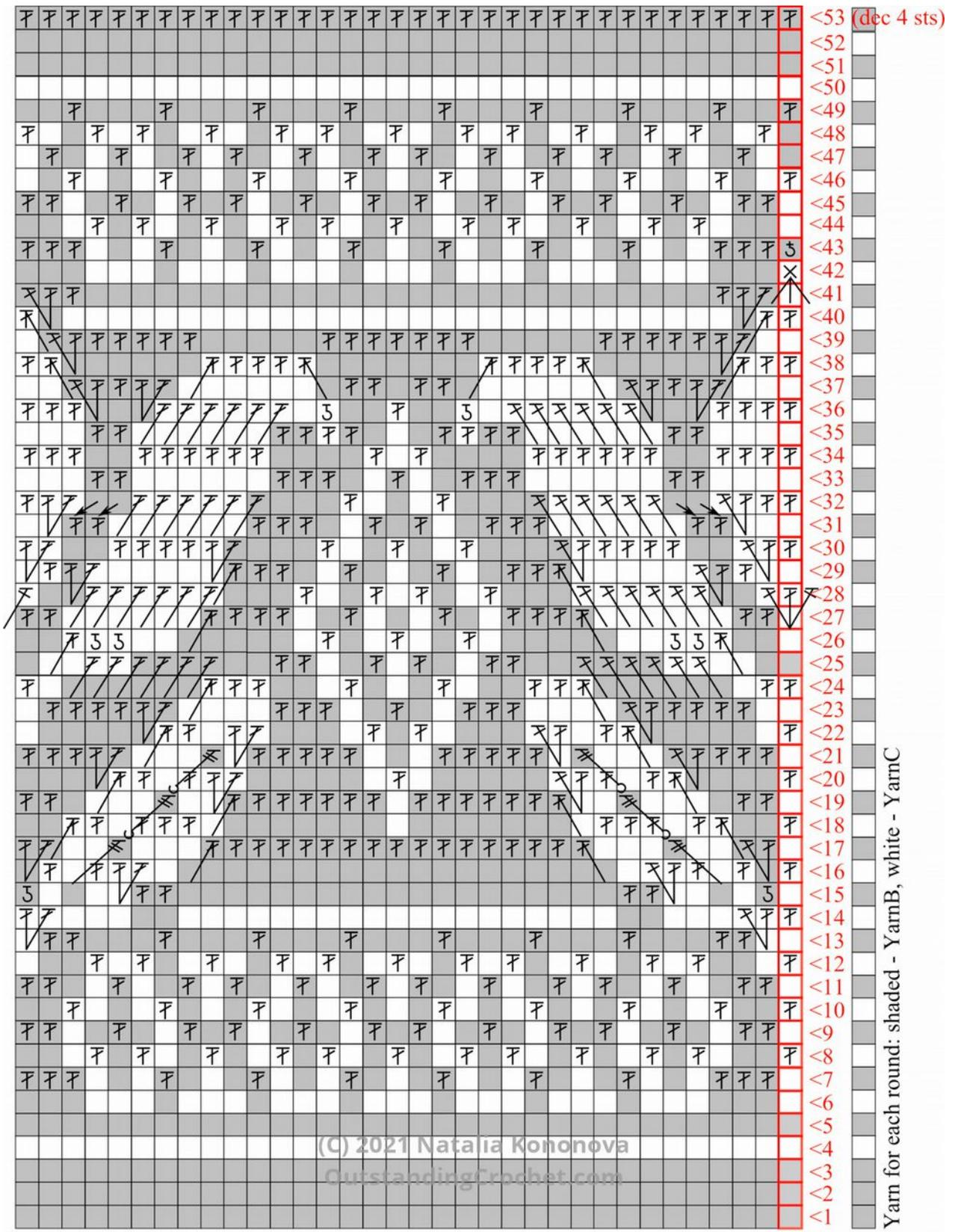
Rnd 4: with C ch 1, 204 sc, with B ss.

Rnd 5: with B ch 1, 204 sc, with C ss.

Rnd 6: rep Rnd 4.

Rnd 7: with B *sc, 3 dc, [3 sc, dc] x6, 3 sc, 3 dc, rep from * x5, with C ss.

Rnd 8: with C *dc, 3 sc, dc, sc, dc, [2 sc, dc, 2 sc, dc, sc, dc] x3, 3 sc, rep from * x5, with B ss.



REPEAT 6 times (34 sts)

Chart 2. Rounds 1-53.

Notes for Chart 2:

- See chart key on Chart 3 on p. 11. Red column highlights first st of each round. Each round starts with ch 1 (doesn't count as st, omitted on the chart).
- Start **Rnd 28** with dc2inc, make dc3inc in the middle of each 5 rem flowers, finish rnd with dc in same st as beg dc2inc.
- Start **Rnd 42** with sc2tog, make sc3tog in the middle of each 5 rem flowers, finish rnd with partial sc: with 2 lps on hook with B make ss in beg sc2tog.

Rnd 9: with B *sc, 2 dc, [2 sc, dc, 2 sc, dc, sc, dc] x3, 2 sc, dc, 2 sc, 2 dc, rep from *x5, with C ss.

Rnd 10: with C *dc, 2 sc, dc, [3 sc, dc] x7, 2 sc, rep from * x5, with B ss.

Rnd 11: with B *sc, 2 dc, [2 sc, dc, 2 sc, dc, sc, dc] x3, 2 sc, dc, 2 sc, 2 dc, rep from * x5, with C ss.

Rnd 12: with C *dc, 3 sc, dc, sc, dc, [2 sc, dc, 2 sc, dc, sc, dc] x3, 3 sc, rep from * x5, with B ss.

Step pictures for Rnds 13-43 on p. 13.

Rnd 13: with B *2 sc, 2 dc, [3 sc, dc] x7, dc, sc, rep from * x5, with C ss.

Rounds 14-17: <https://youtu.be/RB-jYaHCRhk>

Hide rounds joining line:

<https://youtu.be/Rr1gLY2AiFY>

Rnd 14: with C, *dc, dc2inc, sk dc, 29 sc (1st in 2nd of 2 dc, last in 1st of 2 dc), sk dc, dc2inc, rep from * x5, with B ss.

Rnd 15: with B *sc, FPhdc, 4 sc, 2 dc, 19 sc, 2 dc, 4 sc, FPhdc, rep from * x5, with C ss.

Rnd 16: with C *dc, sc, dc, sc, dc, dc2inc, sk dc, 21 sc (1st in 2nd of 2 dc, last in 1st of 2 dc), sk dc, dc2inc, dc, sc, dc, sc, rep from * x5, with B ss.

Rnd 17: with B *sc, dc2inc (in FPhdc), sk dc, 2 sc, tr (in sc below 2nd st back), 3 sc (1st in 2nd dc of dc2inc), dc2tog (1st leg in sc below prev sc), 15 dc, dc2tog, 3 sc (1st above 2nd leg of prev st, last in 1st dc of dc2inc), tr (in sc below 3rd st forward), 2 sc (1st in dc, 2nd in sc), sk dc, dc2inc (in FPhdc), rep from * x5, with C ss.

Rounds 18-20:

<https://youtu.be/wdkBpgrSBOw>

Rnd 18: with C *dc, 2 sc, dc2tog (1st leg in dc below prev st), dc, sc (in tr), 3 dc (1st in 2nd dc of dc2inc), 17 sc (1st and last in dc2tog), 3 dc (last in 1st dc of dc2inc), sc (in tr), dc (in dc), dc2tog (2nd leg in dc), 2 sc, rep from * x5, with B ss.

Rnd 19: with B *sc, 2 dc, 4 sc (1st in dc2tog), FPTr in tr, 2 sc (1st in dc), dc2tog (1st leg in dc2tog or below prev st), 6 dc, sc, 6 dc, dc2tog (2nd leg in dc2tog), 2 sc (1st in sc made in same dc2tog), FPTr in tr, 4 sc (last in dc2tog), 2 dc, rep from * x5, with C ss.

Rnd 20: with C *dc, 4 sc, dc2tog (1st leg in dc below prev sc), dc (in 1st of 3 dc), sc (in FPTr), dc (in 3rd of 3 dc), dc2inc (in next sc), sk dc2tog, 6 sc (1st in next dc after dc2tog), dc, 6 sc (last in dc before dc2tog), sk dc2tog, dc2inc (in sc below next sc after dc2tog), dc (in 1st of 3 dc), sc (in FPTr), dc (in 3rd of 3 dc), dc2tog (1st leg in sc, 2nd leg in dc), 4 sc (1st in st above prev leg), rep from * x5, with B ss.

Rounds 21-25: <https://youtu.be/pPRa9HCHisc>

Rnd 21: with B *sc, 3 dc, dc2inc, sk dc2tog, 3 sc (2nd in sc above FPTr), FPTr (in FPTr), sc (in 2nd dc of dc2inc), 5 dc, 3 sc (2nd in dc), 5 dc, sc (in 1st dc of dc2inc), FPTr (in FPTr), 3 sc (2nd in sc above FPTr), sk dc2tog, dc2inc (in next sc), 3 dc, rep from * x5, with C ss.

Rnd 22: with C *dc, 6 sc, dc2tog (1st leg in dc below prev st, 2nd in sc), dc (in dc), sc (in FPTr), dc2inc (in 2nd dc of dc2inc), sk dc, 4 sc, dc, sc, dc, 4 sc, sk dc, dc2inc (in 1st dc of dc2inc), sc (in FPTr), dc (in dc), dc2tog (1st leg in sc, 2nd leg in dc),

6 sc (1st in sc above prev leg), rep from * x5, with B ss.

Rnd 23: with B *2 sc, 4 dc, dc2inc (in sc after dc2inc), sk dc2tog, 4 sc (2nd in sc above FPtr), 3 dc, 2 sc, dc, 2 sc, 3 dc, 4 sc (3rd in sc above FPtr), sk dc2tog, dc2inc (in sc), 4 dc, sc, rep from * x5, with B ss.

Rnd 24: with C *2 dc, 7 sc, dc2tog (1st leg in dc below prev st, 2nd leg in sc above FPtr), 2 dc, 3 sc, dc, 3 sc, dc, 3 sc, 2 dc, dc2tog (1st leg in sc above FPtr), 7 sc (1st in st above prev leg), dc, rep from * x5, with B ss.

Rnd 25: with B *4 sc, 6 left-slanted dc (each in st below prev), sk dc2tog, 2 sc, 2 dc, 2 sc, dc, sc, dc, 2 sc, 2 dc, 2 sc, sk dc2tog, 6 right-slanted dc (1st in sc after dc2tog, each in st below next st), 3 sc (1st in st above st with prev dc), rep from * x5, with C ss.

Rounds 26-30:

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Rnd 26: with C *3 sc, dc2tog (1st leg in st below prev sc), 2 FPhdc (in 1st and 2nd of 6 dc), 8 sc, dc, 2 sc, dc, 2 sc, dc, 8 sc, 2 FPhdc (in last 2 dc of 6), dc2tog, 2 sc (1st in st above st with prev leg), rep from * x5, with B ss.

Rnd 27: with B *sc, 2 dc, 6 sc (1st in dc2tog), dc2tog (1st leg in st below prev sc), 3 dc, 2 sc, dc, 3 sc, dc, 2 sc, 3 dc, dc2tog, 6 sc (1st in st above prev leg, 4th and 5th in FPhdc, 6th in dc2tog), 2 dc, rep from * x5, with C ss.

Rnd 28: with C dc2inc, *sk dc, 2 sc (1st in dc, 2nd in sc), 6 left-slanted dc (1st in dc2tog below prev sc), sk dc2tog, 3 sc, dc, 2 sc, dc, sc, dc, 2 sc, dc, 3 sc, 6 right-slanted dc (1st in sc after dc2og, 4th and 5th in FPhdc), 2 sc (1st in sc above dc2tog with last dc), sk dc**, dc3inc in sc, rep from * x4, rep from * to **, dc in same st as beg dc2inc (tog count as dc3inc), with B ss.

Rnd 29: with B *2 sc, dc, dc2inc, sk dc, 5 sc, dc2tog (1st leg in dc2tog), 2 dc, 2 sc, dc, 3 sc, dc, 2 sc, 2 dc, dc2tog (2nd leg in dc2tog), 5 sc,

sk dc, dc2inc, dc, sc, rep from * x5, with C ss.

Rnd 30: with C *dc, dc2inc, sk dc, 2 sc (in 2 dc of dc2inc), 4 dc, dc2inc, sk dc2tog, 3 sc, dc, 2 sc, dc, 2 sc, dc, 3 sc, sk dc2tog, dc2inc (in next bc), 4 dc, 2 sc (in dc2inc), sk dc, dc2inc, rep from * x5, with B ss.

Rounds 31-43: <https://youtu.be/tCixnwwveAI>

Rnd 31: with B *3 sc, 2 dc, 6 sc, 3 dc (2 in dc, last in sc), 2 sc, dc, sc, dc, 2 sc, 3 dc, 6 sc, 2 dc, 2 sc, rep from * x5, with C ss.

Rnd 32: with C *2 dc, dc2inc, 2 left-slanted sc (in 2 dc), 6 dc, sk dc, 3 sc, dc, 3 sc, dc, 3 sc, sk dc, 6 dc, 2 right-slanted sc (in 2 dc), dc2inc, dc, rep from * x5, with B ss.

Rnd 33: with B *4 sc, 2 dc, 6 sc, 3 dc (2 in dc, last in sc), 2 sc, dc, 2 sc, 3 dc, 6 sc, 2 dc, 3 sc, rep from * x5, with C ss.

Rnd 34: with C *4 dc, 2 sc, 6 dc, 4 sc, dc, sc, dc, 4 sc, 6 dc, 2 sc, 3 dc, rep from * x5, with B ss.

Rnd 35: with B *4 sc, 2 dc, 6 sc, 4 dc, 3 sc, 4 dc, 6 sc, 2 dc, 3 sc, rep from * x5, with C ss.

Rnd 36: with C *4 dc, 3 sc, 6 left-slanted dc (1st in st below prev sc), sk dc, sc, FPhdc, 2 sc, dc, 2 sc, FPhdc, sc, sk dc, 6 right-slanted dc (in 6 dc), 3 sc (1st in sc above st with prev dc), 3 dc, rep from * x5, with B ss.

Rnd 37: with B *3 sc, sk dc, dc2inc, dc, dc2inc, sk dc, 7 sc (last in FPhdc), 2 dc, sc, 2 dc, 7 sc (1st in FPhdc), sk dc, dc2inc, dc, dc2inc, sk dc, 2 sc, rep from * x5, with C ss.

Rnd 38: with C *2 dc, dc2tog, 6 sc (in 5 dc, last in sc), dc2tog (1st leg in dc below prev sc), 3 dc, dc2tog (2nd leg in FPhdc), 7 sc (1st in sc above FPhdc), dc2tog (1st leg in FPhdc), 3 dc, dc2tog, 6 sc (1st in sc above dc with prev leg), dc2tog (1st leg in 1st of 7 dc), dc, rep from * x5, with B ss.

Rnd 39: with B *2 sc, sk dc2tog, dc2inc, 5 dc (4 in dc, last in sc), 5 sc (1st and last in dc2tog), 7 dc, 5 sc (1st and last in dc2tog), 5 dc (1st in sc, 4 in dc), dc2inc, sk dc2tog, sc, rep from * x5, with C ss.

Rnd 40: with C *dc, dc2tog (2nd leg in dc2tog), 31 sc, dc2tog (1st leg in dc2tog), rep from * x5, with B ss.

Rnd 41: with B *sc, sk dc2tog, dc2inc (in 1st dc of dc2inc), dc, 27 sc, dc, dc2inc (in 2nd dc of dc2inc), sk dc2tog, rep from * x5, with C ss.

Note for Rnd 42: to compensate for the higher middle petal due increases, instead of dc3tog, sc3tog is made at the top of each petal.

Rnd 42: with C sc2tog (2nd leg in dc2tog), [33 sc, sc3tog (1st and 3rd legs in dc2tog)] x5, 33 sc, sc in dc2tog, but do not finish: with 2 lps on hook, with B ss.

Rnd 43: with B *FPsc (in sc3tog), 3 dc, [3 sc, dc] x6, 3 sc, 3 dc, rep from * x5, with C ss.

Rnd 44: with C *4 sc, [dc, sc, dc, 2 sc, dc, 2 sc] x3, dc, sc, dc, 3 sc, rep from * x5, with B ss.

Rnd 45: with B *sc, 2 dc, [2 sc, dc, 2 sc, dc, sc, dc] x3, 2 sc, dc, 2 sc, 2 dc, rep from * x5, with C ss.

Rnd 46: with C *dc, 2 sc, [dc, 3 sc] x7, dc, 2 sc, rep from * x5, with B ss.

Rnd 47: with B *2 sc, [dc, 2 sc, dc, 2 sc, dc, sc] x4, rep from * x5, with C ss.

Rnd 48: with C *sc, dc, 2 sc, [dc, sc, dc, 2 sc, dc, 2 sc] x3, dc, sc, dc, 2 sc, dc, rep from * x5, with B ss.

Rnd 49: with B *dc, 2 sc, [dc, 3 sc] x7, dc, 2 sc, rep from * x5, with C ss.

Note: Keep making all sc in back loop, all dc in front loop from 1 round down.

Rnd 50: with C 34 sc x6, with B ss.

Rnd 51: with B 34 sc x6, with C ss.

Rnd 52: rep Rnd 50. (204 sts)

Dec Rnd 53: with B [49 dc, dc2tog] x4, with C ss. (200 sts)

Chart 3 on p. 11.

Rnd 54: with C 200 sc (in each st), with B ss.

Rnd 55: with B 200 sc (in each st), with C ss.

Rounds 56-57: <https://youtu.be/-MifDDhfgco>

Rnd 56: with C sc, left-slanted dc (in sc below prev st, part of “dc, sc, dc” in same st), [sk sc, 2 sc, dc2tog (sk 2 sc after prev dc, 1st leg in next sc, sk sc, 2nd leg in next sc), 2 sc (1st in st above 2nd leg), sk 2 sc after prev dc*, (dc, sc, dc) in next sc, but middle sc in sc from prev rnd while both dc in sc from 1 rnd down] x24, rep from [to *, dc in same st as 1st dc, with B ss.

Rnd 57: with B [dc, sc, 2 dc, FPsc (in dc2tog), 2 dc, sc] x25, with C ss.

Rnd 58: with C [3 sc, FPtr (in 2nd dc of “(dc, sc, dc) in sc”), sc (in FPsc), FPtr (in 1st dc of next “(dc, sc, dc) in sc”), 2 sc] x25, with B ss.

Rnd 59: with B 3 dc, sc (in FPtr), dc (in FPsc), sc (in FPtr), 2 dc] x25, with C ss.

Rnd 60: with C [4 sc, FPdc2tog (legs in FPtr), 3 sc] x25, with B ss.

Rnd 61: with B [4 dc, sc (in FPdc2tog), 3 dc] x25, with C ss.

Rnd 62: with C [4 sc, FPdc (in FPdc2tog), 3 sc] x25, with B ss.

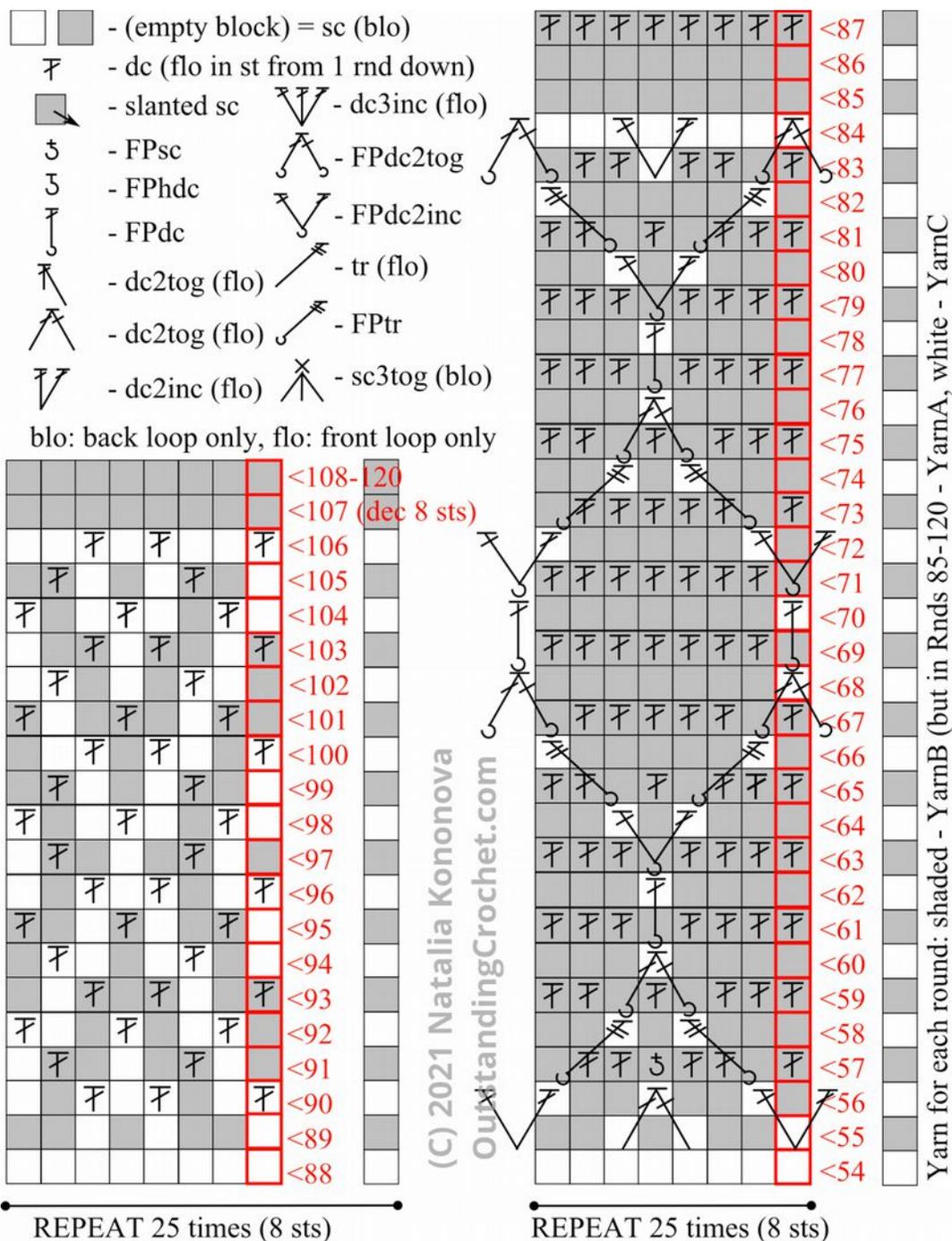
Rnd 63: with B [4 dc, sc (in FPdc), 3 dc] x25, with C ss.

Rnd 64: with C [3 sc, FPdc (in FPdc), sc (in sc above same st), FPdc (in same FPdc), sk dc, 2 sc] x25, with B ss.

Rnd 65: with B [3 dc, sc (in 1st FPdc), dc bet 2 FPdc, sc (in 2nd FPdc), 2 dc] x25, with C ss.

Rnd 66: with C [sc, FPtr (in 1st FPdc), 5 sc, FPtr (in 2nd FPdc)] x25, with B ss.

Rnd 67: with B [dc, sc (in FPtr), 5 dc, sc (in FPtr)] x25, with C ss.



Charts 3. Rounds 54-120.

Notes for Chart 3:

- Red column highlights first st of each round. Each round starts with ch 1 (doesn't count as st, omitted on the chart).
- Start **Rnd 56** with left-slanted dc, finish rnd with dc in same st as beg dc. **Rnd 72** is similar to Rnd 52, but with FPdc instead of dc.
- Start **Rnds 68 and 84** with FPdc2tog in 1 rnd down, finish with ss in beg dc2tog.

Rnd 68: with C [FPdc2tog (legs in FPtr to left and right), 7 sc] x25, with B ss.

Rnd 69: with B [sc (in FPdc2tog), 7 dc] x25, with C ss.

Rnd 70: with C [FPdc (in FPdc2tog), 7 sc] x25, with B ss.

Rnd 71: with B [sc (in FPdc), 7 dc] x25, with C ss.

Rnd 72: with C sc, FPdc (in FPdc), [5 sc, sk last dc (of 7)*, FPdc (in FPdc), sc (in sc above same st), FPdc in same FPdc] x24, rep from [to *, FPdc in same st as 1st FPdc, with B ss.

Rnd 73: with B [dc (bet 2 FPdc), sc (in FPdc), 5 dc, sc (in FPdc)] x25, with C ss.

Rnd 74: with C [3 sc, FPtr (in FPdc), sc, FPtr (in next FPdc), 2 sc] x25, with B ss.

Rnd 75: with B [3 dc, sc (in FPtr), dc, sc (in FPtr), 2 dc] x25, with C ss.

Rnds 76-82: rep Rnds 60-66.

Rnd 83: with B [dc, sc (in FPtr), 2 dc, sc, 2 dc, sc (in FPtr)] x25, with C ss.

Note: Switch to A at the end of Rnd 84.

Rnd 84: with C [FPdc2tog (legs in FPtr to left and right), 2 sc, sk dc, dc (in sc), sc (in sc above same sc), dc (in same sc as 1st dc), sk dc, 2 sc] x25, with A ss.

Rnd 85: with A 200 sc (in every st), with C ss.

Rnd 86: with C 200 sc (in every st), with A ss.

Rnd 87: with A 200 dc (in every st), with C ss.

Rnd 88: rep Rnd 86.

Rnd 89: rep Rnd 85.

Rnd 90: with C [dc, 2 sc, dc, sc, dc, 2 sc] x25, with A ss.

Rnd 91: with A [2 sc, dc, 3 sc, dc, sc] x25, with C ss.

Rnd 92: with C [sc, dc, 2 sc, dc, 2 sc, dc] x25, with A ss.

Rnd 93: with A [dc, 2 sc, dc, sc, dc, 2 sc] x25, with C ss.

Rnd 94: with C [2 sc, dc, 3 sc, dc, sc] x25, with A ss.

Rnd 95: with A [sc, dc, 2 sc, dc, 2 sc, dc] x25, with C ss.

Rnd 96: with C [dc, 2 sc, dc, sc, dc, 2 sc] x25, with A ss.

Rnd 97: with A [2 sc, dc, 3 sc, dc, sc] x25, with C ss.

Rnd 98: with C [sc, dc, 2 sc, dc, 2 sc, dc] x25, with A ss.

Rnd 99: with A [2 sc, dc, 3 sc, dc, sc] x25, with C ss.

Rnd 100: with C [dc, 2 sc, dc, sc, dc, 2 sc] x25, with A ss.

Rnd 101: with A [sc, dc, 2 sc, dc, 2 sc, dc] x25, with C ss.

Rnd 102: with C [2 sc, dc, 3 sc, dc, sc] x25, with A ss.

Rnd 103: with A [dc, 2 sc, dc, sc, dc, 2 sc] x25, with C ss.

Rnd 104: with C [sc, dc, 2 sc, dc, 2 sc, dc] x25, with A ss.

Rnd 105: with A [2 sc, dc, 3 sc, dc, sc] x25, with C ss.

Rnd 106: with C [dc, 2 sc, dc, sc, dc, 2 sc] x25, with A ss.

Upper edge backing:

Note: Because backing is folded inside, its circumference should be less than of rem bag, hence 8 sts are decreased in next round.

Dec Rnd 107: with A [23 BLsc, BLsc2tog] x8, ss. (192 BLsc)

Rnds 108-120: with A 192BLsc (in every st), ss.

Fasten off after Rnd 120. Wash and dry according to Care instructions.

Care:

Hand-wash/ soak bag in lukewarm water with a bit of mild detergent, rinse, use a towel to squeeze out excess moisture, lay flat, leave to dry. Steam-block only 100% cotton projects if desired.

Rounds 13-43 (except Rnds 26, 27, 36). Flower.



Rnd 13



Rnd 14



Rnd 15



Rnd 16



Rnd 17



Rnd 18



Rnd 19



Rnd 19



Rnd 20



Rnd 21



Rnd 22



Rnd 23



Rnd 24



Rnd 25



Rnd 28



Rnd 29



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Rnd 31



Rnd 32



Rnd 33



Rnd 34



Rnd 35



Rnd 37



Rnd 38



Rnd 39



Rnd 40



Rnd 41



Rnd 42



Rnd 43

Lining:

Soften bag by stretching it gently in all directions, imitating wear before measuring.



Measure straight part of the bag excluding bag bottom and upper edge backing: Rnds 1-106 (34.5cm/ 13 5/8"), add 2cm/ 3/4" for adjustment and 1.5cm/ 1/2" for seam allowance (38cm/ 15").



Measure bag width (35.12cm/ 13 7/8"), multiply x2 (70.24cm/ 27 3/4"), add 3cm/ 1 1/4" for seam allowance (73.24cm/ 28 7/8"). Cut a rectangle 73.24 x 38cm/ 28 7/8 x 15".



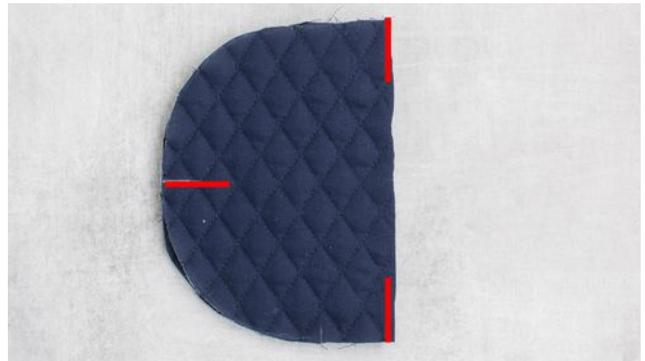
Cut lining for bag bottom using previously made template, adding 1.5cm/ 1/2" for seam allowance. Baste side seam with 1.5cm/ 1/2" seam allowance.



Fold piece in half, placing seam in the middle of one side. Insert lining into the bag, check if it fits in perfectly. Make adjustments if needed. Make side seam. Overcast edges separately, press open.



Mark both lining pieces (sides and bag bottom) into 4 equal parts by folding and marking folds.



Place right sides together. Align side seam with middle mark of bottom longer side, pin and baste parts together.



Stitch pieces together with 1.5cm/ 1/2" seam allowance.



Overcast edges together, fold towards bag bottom and hand-stitch allowances to the bag bottom with whip-stitch.



Insert lining into the bag, fill bag to 1/3 with knitwear, stretch gently, shake bag while holding it by the upper edge allowing lining to fill the bag bottom entirely.

Check that the height of the lining matches the height of the bag (without backing).



Make adjustments to the lining by trimming off excess fabric from its upper edge. Cut off less rather than more each time to make sure lining and bag heights match perfectly. If the end of the side seam comes undone after trimming, secure it with a few stitches. Overcast upper edge. Hand-stitch side seam allowances to the lining. Put aside.

Backpack strap loop:



Facing RS of the bag back side, skip 1 rhombus to the right from rounds beg point, join A in upper edge (*starting point*), ch 16 (shouldn't arch after next ss).



Turn, skip 1 rhombus to the left from rounds beg point, ss in upper edge (*finishing point*), turn, ch 16, ss in *starting point*, turn, ch 16, ss in *finishing point*, turn, ch 16, ss in *starting point* (4x ch-16 sps), tighten loop, turn.



Make approximately 22 sc or enough sc to cover the loop entirely. Make sc in all four ch-16 sps at the same time, placing sc close to each other. Fasten off. Draw both tails to WS, secure and weave in.

Backpack straps:

Video: <https://youtu.be/GRNn8n7DA2Q>

Row 1: leave 50cm/ 20" tail, 10 sts foundation cord, ch 1, sc in each foundation st, turn.

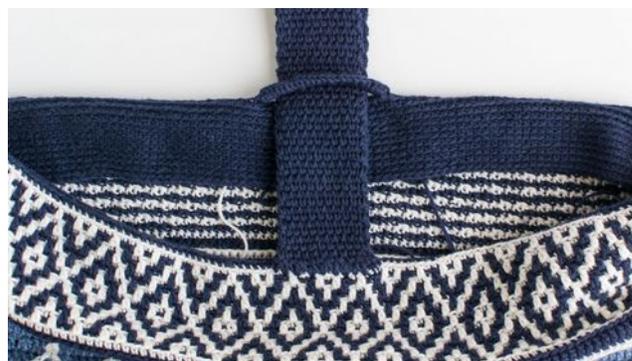
Note: 75cm/ 29 ½" long straps is a custom length. It should work for size S. For bigger or smaller sizes, adjust straps of any backpack you have at home to a comfortable length, measure, and add 6cm/ 6 ¼" because 3cm ends will be sewed to the bag taking away from the length.

Rows 2-367 or to 75cm/ 29 ½" or to your custom length, measured while strap is folded in half and stretched to full capacity: ch 1, 9 sc (each made in upside-down "V"), sk 2 lps after last upside-down V, sc in spot after 2 lps, turn.

Fasten off, leaving 50cm/ 20" tail.



Fold strap in half. With a piece of A, sew folded edge to the bag front side upper edge at middle point (determine by drawing imaginary line up from middle flower). Make 4 sts in each spot for secure connection.



Insert straps into the loop.



Align end of each strap with Rnd 6 (flower starting round) and its middle with flower middle line. Facing bag RS, stitch strap to the bag around the perimeter of “strap width” x 3cm/ 1 ¼” rectangle and along 2 diagonals, making short back stitches on RS and longer sts on WS. Make 2 or 3 rounds for secure connection. Pay most attention to the durability of upper horizontal seam which will receive the most pressure.



Consider to reinforce upper horizontal seam with polyester thread.

Finish lining:



Weave in all rem ends.
Insert lining into the bag. Align and pin together middle mark of lining front side with the bag front side middle point (determine by drawing imaginary line up from middle flower). Align and pin together lining side seam with beginning of Rnd 106.



Stretch bag and lining at the upper edge, and pin upper edges together in the middle bet previously placed pins.

Extra step (consider adding before next step): I didn't make this step for the prototype, but after finishing the bag, I realized that to prevent attached straps from pulling and stretching the bag upper edge, one extra step can be made: before starting upper edges joining seam, unfold backing where straps are attached and stitch straps attaching seam (visible on WS between backing and rem bag) to lining upper edge with whip stitch.



Snaps. Find sides of the bag at the upper edge. Sew parts of each snap about 10cm/ 4" apart, close to the upper edge, and at the same distance from the bag side.



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Using matching A color sewing thread, stitch edges together with back stitch, working on RS of the bag in Rnd 106 (last round before backing). Make stitches in A-colored sts of Rnd 106. Reinforce seam below attached straps by going back and forth one extra time.



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Hand-stitch backing edge to lining with whip stitch.

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