

# LION BRAND<sup>®</sup> WOOL-EASE<sup>®</sup> THICK & QUICK<sup>®</sup> Crochet Oriental Envelope Bag



#### Skill Level: Beginner

## SIZE

11" wide x 8 1/2" high [28 x 21.5 cm]

## MATERIALS

- LION BRAND Wool-Ease Thick & Quick 2 balls #143 Claret or color of your choice
- LION BRAND size N-13 [9 mm] crochet hook OR SIZE TO OBTAIN GAUGE
- Jo-Ann "Sew Essentials" Rattan Purse Handles, SKU 33804 10485
- Wrights "Frog Closure", 1922610001
- Sewing needle and thread to match
- LION BRAND large-eyed, blunt needle

#### GAUGE

8 stitches + 9.5 rows = 4" [10 cm] in single crochet. BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

#### BAG

Chain 23.

**Row 1** Single crochet in  $2^{nd}$  chain from hook and in each chain across – 22 stitches. Chain 1, turn.

Repeat Row 1 until there are 42 rows total.

**Decrease Row** Insert hook into first stitch, pull up a loop, insert hook into next stitch, pull up a loop, yarn over and pull through all 3 loops on hook – single crochet 2 together made; single crochet in each stitch to last 2 stitches, single crochet 2 together.

Repeat Decrease Row until 2 stitches remain. Single crochet 2 together.

Do not fasten off.

## Edging

Chain 1, make 3 single crochets in last stitch, sc evenly along side of flap to first Decrease Row, 2 single crochet in side of Decrease Row, single crochet evenly along side, 3 single crochet in corner, single crochet across bottom, 3 single crochet in corner, single crochet evenly along other side, 2 single crochet in first Decrease Row, single crochet evenly along remaining side of flap, join with slip stitch in top of first single crochet. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

## FINISHING

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Sew 1 handle only to top of Bag, using 1 strand of yarn and large-eyed, blunt needle.

\*Wool-Ease® Thick & Quick® (Article #640) is the super bulky member of the Wool-Ease family. It has the feel, warmth and softness of wool with the easy care of acrylic. It is packaged in 6 oz/170g, 106 yd/97m skeins. Solids, Heathers, Twists: 80% acrylic, 20% wool; Wheat: 86% acrylic, 10% wool, 4% rayon

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