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Skill Level: Easy+

SIZE
Width 8 3/4" [22 cm] at top; 12" [30.5 cm] at lower edge
Height 6" [15 cm]

MATERIALS
• LION BRAND Lion Suede
  1 ball #153 Ebony (A)
  1 ball #146 Fuchsia (B)
or colors of your choice
• LION BRAND size I-9 [5.5 mm] crochet hook OR SIZE TO OBTAIN GAUGE
• 4 safety pins or split-ring markers
• One 1/2" [13 mm] size 4 sew-on snap closure
• Sewing needle and matching thread
• LION BRAND large-eyed, blunt needle

GAUGE
10 hdc = 4" [10 cm]; 5 rows = 3" [7.5 cm] in hdc with 2 strands of A held tog.
BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

STITCH EXPLANATIONS

hdc2tog (hdc dec) Yo, insert hook into st and draw up a loop. Yo, insert hook into next st and draw up a loop. Yo, draw through all loops on hook.

FPdc (front post dc) Yo, working from front to back to front, insert hook around post of st of row below, yo and draw up a loop, (yo and draw through 2 loops on hook) twice. Skip st behind the FPdc.

FPhdc (front post hdc) Yo, working from front to back to front, insert hook around post of st of row below, yo and draw up a loop, yo and draw through 3 loops on hook. Skip st behind the FPhdc.

Surface Crochet Keeping yarn at the back, draw a loop through to front of fabric. Insert hook down through fabric into next st and draw loop through. Continue making ch along fabric in this way.

NOTE
As only 1 ball of each yarn is required and you will be working with 2 strands of A, begin by dividing ball of A into 2 equal balls, or work from inside and outside of ball.

FRONT/BACK – Make 2
Starting at bottom edge, with 2 strands of A held tog, ch 31.

Row 1 Hdc in back loop of 3rd ch from hook and in back loop of each ch across; turn – 30 sts.
Row 2 Ch 2, hdc in each hdc across, hdc in 2nd ch of turning ch; turn.
Row 3 Ch 2, hdc2tog in next 2 sts (*dec made*), hdc in each st across to last hdc, skip turning ch (*dec made*); turn – 28 sts.
Rows 4-9 Repeat Rows 2-3 – 22 sts at end of Row 9.
Row 10 Repeat Row 2. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Ruffle and closure detail

RUFFLE
With wider bottom edge at top and RS of Front facing, join 2 strands of B at right edge of Row 2, ch 3, work 3 FPdc around the post of each st across Row 2. Fasten off. Repeat Ruffle on Back.

SURFACE CROCHET AND STRAP
Place a marker 2 1/2" [6.5 cm] from each side on top edge of Front and Back.
Place a marker 2 1/2" [6.5 cm] from each side in Row 3 of Front and Back (just above Ruffle).

Row 1 With RS of Front facing, join 1 strand of B in marked st on left side above Ruffle, work a line of Surface Crochet from this point to the marked st on left side of top edge. Do not fasten off. Continue with same strand and ch 35 for Strap. With same strand, work

Surface Crochet along right side of bag, working from marked st on right side of top edge to marked st on right side of Row 3 above Ruffle. Fasten off.

Row 2 With RS of Front facing, join 1 strand of B in first ch of Surface Crochet on bottom right, ch 3, work 4 dc in each ch of Surface Crochet across to Strap, work 3 dc into each ch of Strap, working across Surface Crochet on left side, work 4 dc in each ch across. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Repeat Surface Crochet and Strap on Back.

SIDE EDGES
Note From this point you will work with 2 strands of B, so divide the rest of this ball into 2 equal balls, or work from inside and outside of ball.
Row 1 With RS facing, join 2 strands of B at top left corner of Back, ch 2, work 15 hdc evenly spaced across left side of Back, 4 hdc in corner st, hdc in each st across bottom edge, 4 hdc in next corner st, work 15 hdc evenly spaced across right side of Back; turn.
Row 2 Ch 2, FPhdc around the post of each hdc across. Fasten off. Weave in ends.
Repeat Side edges on sides of Front.

CLOSING STRAP
With 1 strand of A, leaving a tail for sewing, ch 26.
Row Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across; turn – 25 sc.
Rows 2-3 Ch 1, sc in each sc across.
Fasten off. Weave in ends.

FLOWER
With 1 strand of A, ch 4; join with slip st to form ring.
Rnd 1 Work 8 sc in ring; join with slip st in first sc – 8 sc. Fasten off A; join B.
Rnd 2 With B, *ch 3, dc into next sc, ch 3, slip st into same sc; repeat from * 7 more times – 8 petals. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

FINISHING
With RS of Front and Back facing, using large-eyed, blunt needle and 1 strand of B, sew sides and bottom edges tog matching sts. Mattress stitch is recommended.

Sew center of Flower to one end of Closing Strap. With sewing needle and thread, sew the protruding side of snap to inside Strap just under center of Flower. Sew opposite end of Closing Strap to center back of Bag, just above Ruffle. Mark point in Front of Bag where snap under Flower hits. Sew other side of snap to Front of Bag opposite other half of snap.

ABBREVIATIONS	
ch = chain	RS = right side
dc = double crochet	sc = single crochet

dec = decreas(e)(s)(ing)	st(s) = stitch(es)
hdc = half double crochet	tog = together
rnd(s) = round(s)	yo = yarn over

Lion Suede (Article #210) A luxuriously soft yarn with a suede finish. Bulky Weight; 100% Polyester Solids are packaged in 3 oz/85g (122 yd/110 m) skeins, prints are packaged in 2 3/4 oz [78 g]/111 yd [101 m] balls

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