



♥ CROCHET ♥ Bow Pocket Bag

STEP-BY-STEP TUTORIAL

A charming bag with a bow strap and front pocket.
Perfect for everyday use! ♥

FINISHED SIZE	MATERIALS	TOOLS	YOU WILL MAKE
Height: 18 cm (7 in) Width: 16 cm (6.3 in) Depth: 4.5 cm (1.8 in) Strap length (with ring): 20 cm (7.9 in)	- Worsted weight cotton yarn (approx. 100 g / 110 yd) in Yellow 3.5 mm (E) crochet hook - Metal ring 3 cm (1.2 in) diameter - Yarn needle - Scissors - Stitch marker (optional) 3 buttons (approx. 2 cm / 0.8 in)	3.5 mm (E) crochet hook - Scissors - Yarn needle - Stitch marker (optional) - Measuring tape	A crochet bag with a bow strap, front pocket and metal ring to hang on your car and keep your essentials organized and within reach.

BAG CONSTRUCTION (Worked in rounds)

STITCH GUIDE (US TERMS)

ch = chain
 sl st = slip stitch
 sc = single crochet
 hdc = half double crochet
 dc = double crochet
 tr = treble crochet
 o = slip stitch
 () = work in same stitch
 * * = repeat
 [] = repeat the instructions inside the brackets

FRONT POCKET (Make separately)

ROUND INCREASES (Top)

♥ STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS ♥

1. BASE

Ch 4, join with sl st to form a ring. Work in rounds to create the base.

2. SIDES

Continue working in rounds without increases to build up the sides.

3. SHAPE TOP

Decrease on both sides to shape the opening as shown in the chart.

4. STRAP

Make a long strap. Fold it in half and pass through the metal ring.

5. ATTACH STRAP

Sew the strap securely to the back of the bag.

6. FRONT POCKET

Make the pocket separately and sew it onto the front.

7. BUTTONS

Sew on 3 buttons as shown.

8. BOW

Tie a bow with the strap for a cute and secure finish!

TIPS FOR SUCCESS

- Use a tight tension for sturdy and durable results.
- Count your stitches at the end of each round.
- Use stitch markers to keep track of the rounds.

IDEAS & VARIATIONS

- Try other colors to match your style.
- Add a lining fabric inside the bag.
- Use different buttons for a unique look.

CARE INSTRUCTIONS

- Hand wash gently with mild soap.
- Lay flat to dry.
- Do not bleach.
- Do not iron.

PERFECT FOR

- Daily use
- Travel
- Car organizer
- Great gifts

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Crochet Bow Pocket Bag

Create a beautiful and practical **Crochet Bow Pocket Bag** featuring a roomy body, decorative front pocket, long handle with a charming bow, and sturdy construction. This project is worked mostly in continuous rounds, making it an enjoyable pattern for intermediate beginners and experienced crocheters alike. The finished bag is perfect for everyday use, shopping, travel, or as a thoughtful handmade gift.

Finished Measurements

Approximate finished size:

- Height: 7 inches (18 cm)
- Width: 6¼ inches (16 cm)
- Depth: 1¾ inches (4.5 cm)
- Handle Length: 20 inches (50 cm)
- Pocket Size: 4½ × 4 inches (11 × 10 cm)
- Bow Width: 7 inches (18 cm)

Measurements may vary slightly depending on yarn and tension.

Skill Level

Easy to Intermediate

This project uses mostly basic stitches with simple shaping and finishing techniques.

Materials

- Worsted Weight Cotton Yarn (#4)
 - Main Color (Yellow): approximately 330 yards (300 m)
- Crochet Hook: 3.5 mm (E-4)
- Yarn Needle
- Stitch Markers
- Scissors
- 3 decorative buttons (¾ inch / 2 cm)
- Metal Ring (1¼ inch / 3 cm diameter)
- Measuring Tape



Optional:

- Fabric lining
- Magnetic snap
- Plastic canvas for extra structure

Crochet Abbreviations (US Terms)

- ch – chain
- sl st – slip stitch
- sc – single crochet
- hdc – half double crochet
- dc – double crochet
- inc – increase
- dec – invisible decrease
- BLO – back loop only
- FO – fasten off

Gauge

18 sc × 20 rows = 4 × 4 inches (10 × 10 cm)

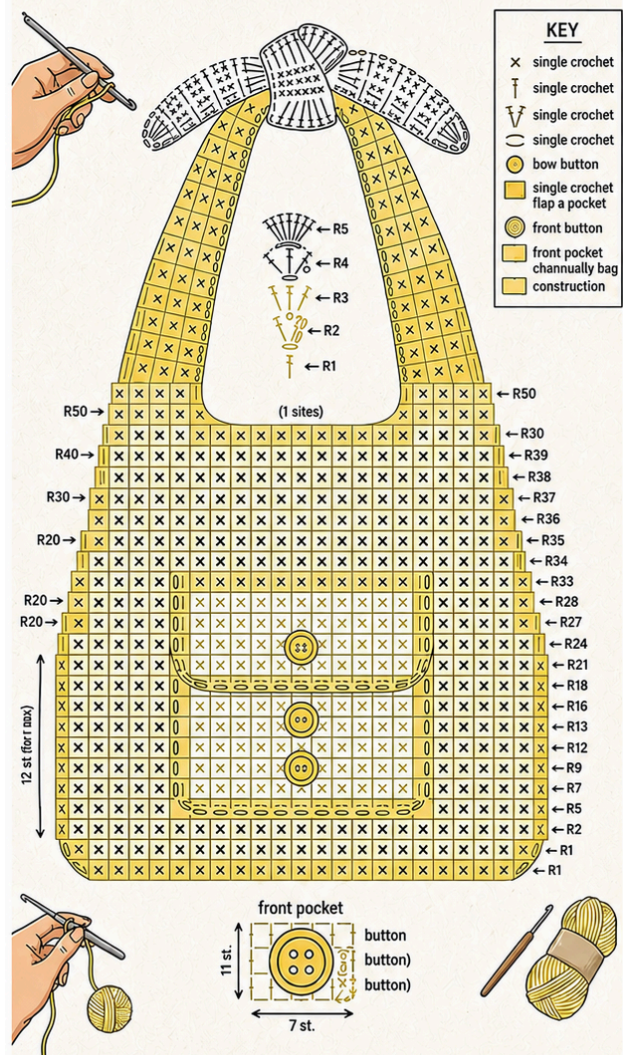
A firm tension is recommended to help the bag hold its shape.

Step 1 – Crochet the Oval Base

The bag begins with a sturdy oval base worked in continuous rounds.

Foundation

Chain 26.



Round 1

Starting in the second chain from the hook:

- 24 sc
- 3 sc in the last chain
- Continue along the opposite side
- 23 sc
- 2 sc in last stitch

Join with a slip stitch or continue working in spiral rounds.

Round 2

Increase evenly around both curved ends.

Rounds 3–8

Continue increasing only at each rounded end.

After Round 8, the base should measure approximately:

- Length: 6¼ inches (16 cm)
- Width: 4½ inches (11 cm)

The base should lie perfectly flat without curling.

Step 2 – Build the Bag Body

Without fastening off, continue upward.

Round 9

Work one complete round in the **Back Loop Only**.

This creates a crisp fold where the sides begin.

Rounds 10–32

Work one sc in every stitch.

Do not increase.

Continue until the sides measure:

7 inches (18 cm)

Your bag should now resemble a soft basket.

Step 3 – Shape the Upper Opening

To create the elegant curved opening shown in the design:

Mark both side centers.

Over the next 8–10 rows:

Decrease gradually near each marked section.

Leave the front and back centers taller while lowering the sides.

This forms the graceful scoop opening.

When complete:

- Front height: 7 inches
- Side height: approximately 4½ inches

Fasten off.

Step 4 – Crochet the Long Strap

Foundation

Chain 9.

Row 1

Work:

8 sc

Turn.

Continue until the strap measures:

20 inches (50 cm)

Fasten off.

Fold one end through the metal ring.

Sew securely.

Step 5 – Attach the Strap

Position the strap evenly at the back of the bag opening.

Using matching yarn:

Sew across the full width several times.

For extra strength:

Work a stitched box with an "X" reinforcement.

This allows the strap to support daily use.

Step 6 – Crochet the Front Pocket

Foundation

Chain 20.

Row 1

Work:

19 sc.

Turn.

Repeat until the rectangle measures:

4½ inches tall.

Pocket Flap

Continue another 8 rows while decreasing slightly at both corners.

Round the flap edges by working:

- sc
- hdc
- dc
- hdc
- sc

around the curve.

Finish with one round of slip stitches.

Step 7 – Attach the Pocket

Center the pocket on the front of the bag.

Leave approximately:

1 inch (2.5 cm)

from the bottom edge.

Sew both sides and bottom securely.

Leave the flap free.

Step 8 – Sew on the Buttons

Evenly space three decorative buttons down the pocket front.

Recommended spacing:

1 inch (2.5 cm)

between buttons.

If desired, add button loops beneath the flap.

Otherwise, the buttons may be decorative only.

Step 9 – Create the Bow

Piece 1

Chain 60.

Work single crochet rows until the strip measures:

18 × 3 inches

Fold in half lengthwise.

Sew the edges.

Flatten the center.

Center Wrap

Chain 8.

Crochet a small strip approximately:

1 inch wide.

Wrap tightly around the center.

Sew securely.

The finished bow should measure:

7 inches wide.

Step 10 – Attach the Bow

Slide the bow onto the strap near the metal ring.

Secure it with a few hidden stitches so it stays centered.

The bow may also be removable if preferred.

Step 11 – Reinforce the Top Edge

Attach yarn at the opening.

Work:

Round 1:

Single Crochet around.

Round 2:

Slip Stitch around.

This creates a clean, sturdy edge.

Step 12 – Optional Fabric Lining

For additional strength:

Cut lining fabric matching the interior measurements.

Sew the lining separately.

Insert inside the bag.

Hand stitch around the top opening using invisible stitches.

This helps prevent stretching and keeps small items secure.

Step 13 – Final Blocking

Lightly steam block if using cotton yarn.

Stuff the bag with towels while drying.

This helps the sides remain smooth and evenly shaped.

Customization Ideas



Add wooden buttons



Embroider flowers



Add a zipper closure



Insert inside pockets



Crochet the bag in striped colors

💛 Use neutral shades for everyday wear

💖 Make a matching coin purse

🌻 Add lace trim around the pocket

Care Instructions

- Hand wash with mild detergent
- Wash in cool water
- Do not bleach
- Lay flat to dry
- Avoid tumble drying
- Steam lightly if needed
- Store stuffed to help maintain shape

Finished Project

Congratulations! Your **Crochet Bow Pocket Bag** is complete. This charming handmade bag combines elegance and functionality with its spacious interior, decorative front pocket, sturdy handle, and signature bow detail. Whether used as an everyday handbag, travel accessory, or thoughtful handmade gift, this timeless design is both practical and beautiful. Enjoy carrying your unique creation and happy crocheting!