

# Paperback Totes



## PAPERBACK TOTES

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### Materials:

- ✓ 4 oz. of Red Heart Soft worsted weight yarn
- ✓ Crochet hook size G OR any hook and yarn combination that will achieve the gauge
- ✓ 5/8" button
- ✓ Yarn needle
- ✓ Needle & thread

### Gauge:

Basket weave rows 1-3 = 7" x 1"

Trellis stitch rows 1-4 = 7" x 1"

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### *Basket weave*

Ch 32.

**Row 1:** Dc in the 4th ch from hook and in each ch across; ch 2, turn. (30 dc counting the turning ch)

**Row 2:** Skip the first dc, (fpdc in each of the next 4 dc, bpdc in each of the next 4 dc) 3 times, fpdc in each of the last 4 dc; hdc in the top of the turning ch; ch 2, turn. (30 sts)

**Row 3:** (Fpdc in each of the next 4 sts, bpdc in each of the

next 4 sts) 3 times, fpdc in each of the last 4 dc; hdc in the top of the turning ch; ch 2, turn. (30 sts)

**Row 4:** (Bpdc in each of the next 4 sts, fpdc in each of the next 4 sts) 3 times, bpdc in each of the last 4 dc; hdc in the top of the turning ch; ch 2, turn. (30 sts)

**Row 5:** Repeat row 4.

**Row 6:** Repeat row 3.

**Row 7:** Repeat row 3.

**Row 8:** Repeat row 4.

**Rows 9-32:** (Repeat rows 5-8) 6 times.

**Rows 33-34:** Repeat rows 5-6. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

### *Trellis Stitch*

Ch 30.

**Row 1:** Sc in the 2nd ch from hook, (ch 5, skip next 3 ch's, sc in the next ch) 7 times; ch 1, turn.

**Row 2:** Working in front of the ch loops on the previous row, sc in the first sc, (dc in each of the next 3 skipped ch's, sc in the next sc) 7 times; ch 1, turn.

**Row 3:** Sc in the first sc, ch 3, skip next dc, insert hook under the next ch 5 loop on row 1 AND into the next dc on the previous row, complete sc; (ch 5, skip next 3 sts on the previous row, insert hook under the next ch 5 loop AND into the next dc on the previous row, complete sc) 6 times, ch 3, skip next st, sc in the last sc; ch 1, turn.

**Row 4:** Working in front of the ch loops on the previous row, sc in the first sc, dc in the skipped st, sc in the next sc, (dc in each of the next 3 skipped sts, sc in the next sc) 6 times, dc in the next skipped st, sc in the last sc; ch 1, turn.

**Row 5:** Insert hook under the first ch 3 loop AND into the first sc on the previous row, complete sc; (ch 5, skip next 3 sts on the previous row, insert hook under the next ch 5 loop AND into the next dc on the previous row, complete sc) 6 times, ch 5, skip next 3 sts on the previous row, insert hook under the last ch 3 loop AND into the last sc, complete sc; ch 1, turn.

**Rows 6-49:** (Repeat rows 2-5) 11 times.

**Rows 50-52:** Repeat rows 2-4.

**Row 53:** Insert hook under the first ch 3 loop AND into the first sc on the previous row, complete sc; (sc in each of the next 3 sts, insert hook under the next ch 5 loop AND into the next dc on the previous row, complete sc) 6 times, sc in each

of the next 3 sts, insert hook under the last ch 3 loop AND into the last sc, complete sc. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

### *Facings*

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Ch 30.

**Row 1:** Sc in the 2nd ch from hook and in each remaining ch across; ch 1, turn. (29 sc)

**Row 2:** Sc in each sc across; ch 1, turn.

**Rows 3-12:** Repeat row 2. Do not ch 1 or turn at the end of row 12. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

### *Handle*

Ch 200; join with a sl st to the 1st ch, being careful not to twist chain.

**Round 1:** Ch 3 to count as the first dc, dc in each remaining ch around; join with a sl st to the top of the beginning ch 3. (200 dc)

**Round 2:** Sl st in each dc around; join with a sl st to the first sl st. Fasten off.

**Round 3:** Join yarn with a sl st in the foundation of any beginning ch, sl st in each foundation ch around; join with a sl st to the first sl st. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

### *Closure Strap*

Ch 28.

**Row 1:** Trc in the 4th ch from hook and in each remaining ch across; ch 1, turn.

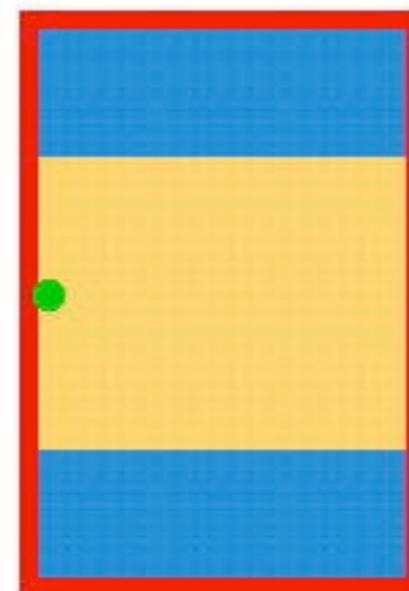
**Row 2:** Sl st in each trc, 3 sl st in the turning ch, sl st in each of the foundation chains; fasten off, leaving a 12" tail for sewing.

### *Bookmark*

Ch 30; fasten off leaving a 12" tail for sewing.

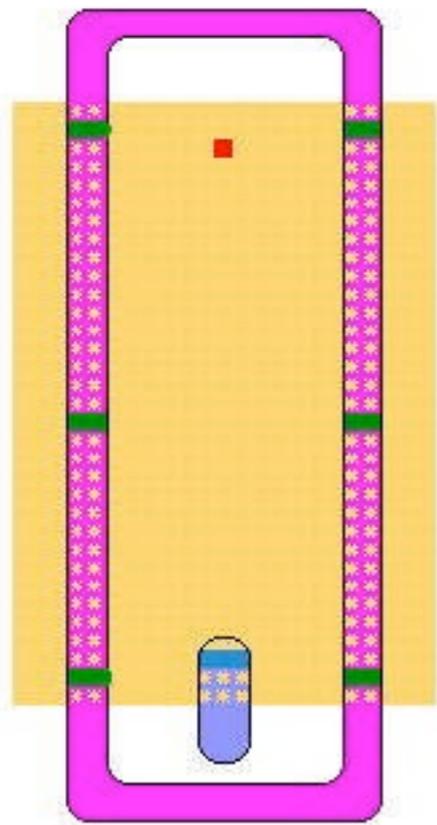
### *Assembly*

**Illustration 1**



Lay each of the blue facing pieces over each end of the wrong side of the yellow book cover; pin in place. Sc (shown in red) around the entire perimeter of the book cover, working through both the cover and facing on the ends as shown in illustration 1; join with a sl st to the first sc, then continue around working a sl st in each sc around; join with a sl st to the first sl st. Fasten off. Sew the bookmark to one side of the center of the cover as illustrated by the green dot.

**Illustration 2**



Arrange the pink handle as shown in illustration 2 and tack to the cover in the 6 places indicated by green. Sew the button in the center of the cover, 1" from one edge, as illustrated in red.

Sew the end of the purple closure strap to the center of the cover, 1" from the edge opposite the button, as illustrated in blue. Weave in all ends. Insert book covers in the facings. Pull closure strap over and button between any 2 trc to close. (This makes the closure adjustable to accommodate most any size paperback book.)

