## Crochet Mini Tote Gift Bag By Anita Young at creatingme.net







Worsted weight yarn in 2 colors (I used I Love This Yarn in White and Red)

H/5mm hook

Stitches used US terms:
Chain – ch
Single Crochet – sc
Slip Stitch – ss
Back Loop Only – blo
Special Stitch - v-stitch (dc, ch 1, dc) in same stitch

Round 1: With color A, ch 15. sc in 2nd ch from hook and in next 12 ch. Work 3 sc in last ch. Working in the other side of beginning ch, sc in next 13 stitches. Work 3 sc in last stitch. Join with ss to first sc. (32 stitches)

Round 2: ch 1. sc in same stitch as ss and next 13 stitches. Work 3 stitches in next stitch. sc in next 15 stitches. Work 3 sc in next stitch. sc in next stitch. Join with ss to 1st sc. (36 stitches)

Round 3: ch 1. Working in blo, sc in same stitch as ss and in each stitch around. Join with ss to first sc. (36 stitches)

Rounds 4-6: ch 1. sc in same stitch as ss and in each stitch around. Join with ss to first sc. (36 stitches)

## Change to color B.

Round 7: ch 3 (counts as first dc and ch 1) dc in same stitch as ss (First v-stitch made). \*skip next 2 stitches, work v-stitch in next stitch\* Repeat from \* to \* around to last 2 stitches. Skip last 2 stitches and join with ss to 2nd ch in beginning ch 3. (12 v-stitches)

Rounds 8-10: ss into ch 1 space. ch 3 (counts as first dc and ch 1) dc in same ch 1 space (First v-stitch made). Work v-stitch in each ch 1 space of v-stitch in previous row. Join with ss to 2nd ch of beginning ch 3. (12 v-stitches)

## Change to color A.

Round 11: ch 1. sc in same stitch as ss and in each ch 1 space and dc stitch around. Join with ss to first sc. (36 stitches)

Rounds 12-13: ch 1. sc in same stitch as ss and in each stitch around. Join with ss to first sc. (36 stitches)

## The next Round will make the handles.

Round 14: ch 1. sc in same stitch as ss and in the next 5 stitches. ch 10. Skip next 6 stitches. sc in next 12 stitches. ch 10. Skip next 6 stitches. sc in next 12 stitches. ch 10. Skip next 6 stitches. sc in next 12 stitches. di next 12 stitches. di next 12 stitches. sc in next 12 stitches. di next 12

Round 15: ch 1. sc in same stitch as ss and in each stitch and ch around. Join with ss to first sc. (44 stitches)

Round 16: ch 1: sc in same stitch as ss and in each stitch around. Join with ss to first sc. (44 stitches)

Fasten off and weave in ends.

Finished gift bag measures about 4.75 by 5.5 inches.