

AALLOKKO BAG

SIZE: Width: 32 cm / 12.6". Height: 38 cm / 15"

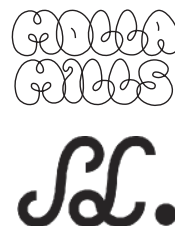
YARN: Suomen Lanka, Liina 12-ply cotton thread:

Natural white: 200 g / 7.05 oz

Black: 200 g / 7.05 oz

CROCHET HOOK: 2.0 mm / US B/1

OTHER: 60 cm long leather handles, tapestry needle.



ABBREVIATIONS

rnd = round

st(s) = stitch(es)

ch = chain

dc = double crochet

sl st = slip stitch

sc = single crochet

INFO

The bag is crocheted in double crochet stitches in joined rounds using a two-colour crochet technique. In this technique, change yarn colour during the final yarn over of each stitch, carrying the unused yarn inside the stitches throughout the work. Make sure the carried yarn does not pull the stitches tight, especially on rounds worked in a single colour.

Begin each round with 3 ch and join with a sl st into the third ch. The base of the bag is worked in joined rounds. For the first round, work the dc stitches along both sides of the foundation chain, increasing at each end of the chain.

INSTRUCTIONS

Using natural white yarn, ch 98. Work the first four rounds entirely in natural white, carrying the black yarn inside the stitches.

Rnd 1: Work 3 dc (increase) in the fourth ch from the hook and bring the black yarn into the work. Work 1 dc in each of the next 93 ch. Work 6 dc in the last ch (see Chart 1). Then work 93 dc along the opposite side of the foundation chain and 3 dc (increase) in the last st. There are 6 dc at each end of the foundation chain, 198 dc in total.

Rnds 2–4: Ch 3, work 1 dc in each st using natural white yarn, and join the round with a sl st into the third ch. Make sure the carried black yarn does not pull the stitches tight.

Rnds 5–6: Work 1 dc in each st using black yarn.

Rnd 7: Ch 3 using black yarn. Repeat *31 dc, change to natural white yarn, 1 dc, change to black yarn, 1 dc* to the end of the round. Work the final pattern repeat without the last black dc.

One pattern repeat is 33 dc wide. Repeat the pattern a total of 6 times.

Rnd 8: Ch 3 using natural white yarn, change to black yarn. Repeat *30 dc in black, 3 dc in natural white* six times. Work the final pattern repeat without the last natural white dc.

Rnd 9: Ch 3 using natural white yarn. Repeat *2 dc in natural white, 26 dc in black, 5 dc in natural white* six times. Work the final pattern repeat without the last natural white dc.

Rnd 10: Ch 3 using natural white yarn. Repeat *4 dc in natural white, 22 dc in black, 7 dc in natural white* six times. Work the final pattern repeat without the last natural white dc.

Rnd 11: Ch 3 using natural white yarn. Repeat *8 dc in natural white, 14 dc in black, 11 dc in natural white* six times. Work the final pattern repeat without the last natural white dc.

One pattern repeat is 11 rounds high.

Rnds 12–44: Follow Chart 2. Repeat the pattern 4 times vertically (44 rounds in total).

Rnds 45–48: Work rounds of dc using natural white yarn.

Rnd 49: Fold line for the top edge. Work 1 sc in each st using natural white yarn.

Rnds 50–52: Inner fold of the top edge. Work 3 rounds of dc using natural white yarn.

Rnd 53: Work 1 sc in each st using natural white yarn. Fasten off and weave in the ends.

FINISHING

Fold the top four rounds to the inside along the fold line at Rnd 49. Hand-sew the folded edge in place, stitching through each stitch.

Sew the leather handles securely to the top edge using natural white cotton thread. Steam the bag gently to shape it.