

Crochet Essentials: A Summer Tote Bag

Class Description and Materials List



Class Description: This three-class series will review fundamental skills, such as: Selecting a yarn and hook for your project; Reading crochet instructions & abbreviations; How to crochet a foundation row; Changing colors; Turning; Joining and fastening off as well as the basic stitches (including Chain stitch, Single Crochet, Half Double Crochet, Double Crochet and Slip Stitch)

The class project, a summer tote bag, will give you practice in all these stitches and prepare you for more advanced projects.

Skill level: Beginner; no experience required, but participants are welcome at any skill level.

Location/Date/Time: Yarn Expressions: **Wednesdays: July 20th, August 3rd and August 17th: 5-7 pm**

Fee: **\$65.00** plus materials. Tools and materials may be purchased when you register for the class, or prior to any class session; registered students receive a 10% discount on all class tools and materials. While the store will be open for last-minute purchases prior to each class session, we ask that you purchase your yarn before the first class

meeting date so that any hank yarns can be wound into balls for your use at the beginning of the first class.

Instructor: Andrea Atwood; Questions? Email her: clothes_embrace@earthlink.net.

Class Sample and sizing info: Summer Tote Bag: Recommended yarn: Cascade UltraPima cotton. Gauge swatch will not be necessary.

Materials List: (Pattern will be distributed at the first class meeting.)

Yarn: Cascade UltraPima Cotton in two colors of your choice (1 skein each).

Needles/Hooks: Crochet hooks: 5 mm (H) and 4.5 mm (7)

Tools: Stitch marker (split-ring type for crochet) (one "safety pin" type marker will be provided by instructor), darning needle, or smaller crochet hook (to work in loose ends), scissors, pencil, magnet board or sticky notes to mark your place in the pattern (optional, but very useful).

Other materials:

Yarn suggestions: Other cotton yarns may be used, but the Cascade Ultra Pima is recommended for its texture and ease of stitching; other yarns of the appropriate weight are available but may not work well with this pattern.

Yarn Expressions Class Policies

Class space is limited. To reserve your space, class fee must be paid in full.

All class fees are non-refundable! Please understand we are securing an instructor's time and holding a place just for you.

We offer classes for all skill levels, but not every class is designed for every level. To ensure that everybody gets the most out of the class, please respect the skill requirements listed for each class. If you feel you need to brush up on your skills prior to the class or need extra help outside of class, please schedule a private lesson.

Please be respectful of your fellow students and turn cell phones off during class.

To enable everyone to focus on the class, please do not bring children with you.

You will receive a 10% discount on any yarn purchased for a class. Please support your local yarn shop by using our yarns for your class project.