

Dune Bag Crochet Pattern



Pattern Description:

The Dune Bag is an easy-level crochet pattern inspired by windswept sand dunes, designed to be a soft, flexible shaped bag suitable for fall/winter wear.

The pattern uses thick woolly fabric and is constructed from the bottom up, starting with an oval base and transitioning to a body worked in turned rounds and straps worked in turned rows. It incorporates single crochet, increases, and decreases to achieve its shape.

Materials Needed & Measurements:

- **Yarn:** Lion Brand Wool-Ease Thick & Quick
- **Yarn Color:** Driftwood (640-554)
- **Yarn Weight:** Super bulky, weight 6 (87yds/80m per skein)
- **Yarn Quantity:** 4 skeins
- **Hooks:**
 - Size US N/P/15 (10mm) crochet hook (Larger hook)
 - Size US L/11 (8mm) crochet hook (Smaller hook)

- **Notions:**
 - Removable stitch markers
 - Tapestry needle
- **Measurements:**
 - Width (A): 14.5 inches / 37 cm
 - Full length (B): 24 inches / 61 cm
 - Depth (C): 4.5 inches / 11.5 cm
- **Gauge:** 9 sts + 11 rows = 4 inches / 10 cm in single crochet

Stitches & Abbreviations Used(US):

- **ch** - chain
- **sc** - single crochet
- **sc2tog** - single crochet two stitches together (decrease)
- **sl st** - slip stitch
- **inc** - increase (2 sc in same stitch)
- **st(s)** - stitch(es)
- **rnd** - round
- **RS** - right side
- **WS** - wrong side
- **rep** - repeat
- **beg** - beginning
- **mm** - millimeter (for hook size)

Stitching Instructions for Making the Dune Bag Crochet Pattern:

Base (Oval Bottom) - Using Larger Hook (10mm)

- **Note:** The base is worked in the round, turning after each round for even shaping.
- **Rnd 1 (RS):** With Driftwood and larger hook, ch 13. Sc in 2nd ch from hook and next 10 ch, 3 sc in last ch. Rotate to work along opposite side of foundation ch. Sc in next 10 ch, 2 sc in last ch. Turn. (26 sts)
- **Rnd 2:** Ch 1, sc in next 10 sts, inc in next 3 sts, sc in next 10 sts, inc in last 2 sts. Turn. (32 sts)
- **Rnd 3:** Ch 1, sc in next 10 sts, (sc in next st, inc in next st) 3 times, sc in next 10 sts, (sc in next st, inc in next st) twice. Turn. (38 sts)
- **Rnd 4:** Ch 1, sc in next 10 sts, (sc in next 2 sts, inc in next st) 3 times, sc in next 10 sts, (sc in next 2 sts, inc in next st) twice. Turn. (44 sts)
- **Rnd 5:** Ch 1, sc in each st around. Sl st to join, do not turn. (44 sts)

Body - Continue with Larger Hook

- Now working in turned rounds to maintain fabric consistency.
- **Rnd 6–18:** Ch 1, sc in each st around. Sl st to join, turn at end of each rnd. (44 sts)

- **Rnd 19 (Dec Rnd):** Ch 1, sc in next 9 sts, sc2tog; rep from * to end. Sl st to join, turn. (40 sts)
- **Rnd 20–21:** Ch 1, sc in each st around. Sl st to join, turn. (40 sts)
- **Rnd 22 (Dec Rnd):** Ch 1, sc in next 8 sts, sc2tog; rep from * to end. Sl st to join, turn. (36 sts)
- **Rnd 23:** Ch 1, sc in each st around. Sl st to join, fasten off. (36 sts)

Straps - Switch to Smaller Hook (8mm)

- Work straps on opposite sides of the bag body, in turned rows.
- **Strap 1:** Join yarn to one side seam (approx. 6 sts from side edge).
- **Row 1 (RS):** Ch 1, sc in next 6 sts. Turn.
- **Rows 2–24:** Ch 1, sc in each st across. Turn. Fasten off, leaving long tail for sewing.
- **Strap 2:** Repeat same steps on opposite side of the bag, aligning with Strap 1.

Finishing

- Use tapestry needle to sew strap ends securely to the inside of the bag body.
- Weave in all loose ends.
- Block if desired to smooth shape.

Tips:

- Use stitch markers to mark the beginning of rounds and where straps begin.
- To ensure symmetry, count stitches carefully for strap placement.