# Celtic Weave Tote



Colour used: Eco-Cotton in Lavender

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#### PATTERN DIFFICULTY

**Advanced Beginners** 

#### **MEASUREMENTS**

Pattern Sizes:
One size only (medium)

#### MATERIALS

Nurturing Fibres Eco-Cotton 11 balls of 125m/50g in Lavender Hook: 4.00mm Tapestry Needle Scissors Stitch Markers Fabric for lining (optional)

#### GAUGE

This pattern is not gauge sensitive.

#### **ABBREVIATIONS**

beg - beginning
ch/s - chain
dc - double crochet
tr - treble
bpdc - back post double
crochet
fpdc - front post double
crochet
fptr - front post treble
bptr - back post treble
rep - repeat
sk - skip
st/s - stitch/es

# IMPORTANT! PATTERN NOTES

- This bag is worked holding 2 strands of yarn together
- Pattern is written in US terminology.
- The ch3 at the beginning of the rounds doesn't count as a stitch in the base or body or the bag.
- When working on the body of the bag, place the last post stitch around the

last stitch of the previous row and the chain 3 for a more seamless look.

#### INSTRUCTIONS



BASE OF THE BAG

Ch 46

Round 1: 3dc in the 3<sup>rd</sup> chain from hook. 1dc in each chain till last chain. 6dc in last chain. Working on the other side of the chains, place 1 dc in each chain until you reach the first chain worked into. Place 3 more dc in this chain. Sl st to the first dc to join (96 dc. The 2 turning chains do not count as a stitch)

Round 2: Ch 3 (Does not count as a stitch). 2dc in each of the first 3 sts. 1 dc in the next 42 sts. 2 dc in each of the next 6 sts. 1 dc in the next 42 sts. 2dc in each of the last 3 sts. Sl st to the first dc to join. (108 dc)

Round 3: Ch 3. \*1 dc in the first st. 2 dc in the next st\*. Repeat from \* to \* 2 more times. 1 dc in the next 42 sts. Repeat from \* to \* 6 times. 1 dc in the next 42 sts. Repeat from \* to \* 3 more times. Sl st to join (120 dc)

#### BODY OF THE BAG



Round 4: Ch 3, skip the first 2 stitches. 2 fptr around the next 2 stitches (Stitches 3 and 4 of the previous round). Crossing in front of the post stitches just made, place 2 fptr in the 2 skipped stitches. \*skip the next 2 stitches. 2 fptr around the next 2 stitches. Crossing in front of the post stitches just made, place 2 fptr in the 2 skipped stitches.\* Repeat from \* to \* until the end of the round. Sl st to the first fptr to join (120 dc)

When looking at this row you should notice that it consists of 30 "clusters" made up of 4 crossed stitches each forming sort of an "X" with the two stitches at the front of each cluster leaning towards the left. Visualizing the stitches like this might make the next rounds easier to understand.

Round 5: Ch 3, Skip the first 4 stitches (The first complete "X" cluster of crossed stitches). 2 fptr around the next 2 stitches.

(These would be the stitches in the next cluster, at the back of the "X" leaning towards the right). Crossing BEHIND the 2 post stitches just made, place 2 fptr around the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> skipped stitches. (These are the two stitches of the first cluster in front of the X, leaning towards the left. The first 2 skipped stitches will be worked at the end of the round). \*Skip the next 2 stitches (The stitches in the next cluster leaning towards the left), 2 fptr around the next 2 stitches. (The stitches leaning towards the right). Crossing BEHIND the 2 post stitches just made, place 2 fptr around the 2 skipped stitches\*. Repeat from \* to \* until the end of the round, treating the first 2 skipped stitches from the beginning of the round as the last 2 stitches of the round. Sl st to the first fptr to join (120 dc)

At the end of this round, you should have 30 "X clusters" with the 2 stitches in the front of each cluster leaning towards the right.

Round 6: Ch 3, Skip the first 4 stitches. 2 fptr around the next 2 stitches. (These would be the stitches in the second cluster from round 5, in front of the "X", leaning towards the right). Crossing IN FRONT of the 2 post stitches just made, place 2 fptr around the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> skipped stitches. (These are the two stitches of the first cluster at the back of the X,

leaning towards the left. \*Skip the next 2 stitches (The stitches in the next cluster leaning towards the left), 2 fptr around the next 2 stitches. (The stitches leaning towards the right). Crossing IN FRONT of the 2 post stitches just made, place 2 fptr around the 2 skipped stitches\*. Repeat from \* to \* until the end of the round, treating the first 2 skipped stitches from the beginning of the round as the last 2 stitches of the round. Sl st to the first fptr to join (120)

At the end of this round, you should have 30 "X clusters" with the 2 stitches in front of each cluster leaning towards the left.

Round 7 – 26: Repeat rounds 5 and 6 ten times, ending on a round 6.

Round 27: Ch 3, 1 fpdc around first 24 sts. Place st marker. 32 fpdc. Place marker. 28 fpdc. Place marker. 32 fpdc. place marker. Fpdc around last 4 sts. Sl st to the first fpdc to join (120 fpdc)

Round 28: Sl st in each st around. Fasten off.

#### HANDLES



With the bag laying flat, you should now have 2 stitch markers on each side of the bag.

Reattach yarn to the top of any fpdc from round 27 with a stitch marker on it.

Row 1: Ch 1 (does not count as a stitch). 1 dc in the same st.

\*Sk the next 2 sts. 1 fptr around the next 2 sts. Crossing IN FRONT of the 2 post stitches just made, place 2 fptr around the skipped stitches\*.

Repeat from \* to \* 2 more times. 1 dc in the next stitch.

Ch 1 and turn (12 fptr, 2 dc)

Row 2: 1 dc in the first st. 2 bpdc. \*Sk 2 sts. 2 bptr in the next 2 sts. Crossing BEHIND last 2 sts, place 1 bpdtr around each of the skipped sts.\* Repeat from \* to \* once. 2 bpdc. Dc in the last st (4 bpdc, 8 bptr, 2 dc).

Row 3 – 17: Repeat round 1 and 2, ending on a round 1. Fasten off.

First half of handle made Attach yarn to the other stitch on the SAME SIDE of bag with a stitch marker around it and repeat rows 1 – 17 of the handle section.

Fasten off, leaving a long tail for seaming.

Seam the last rows of both halves together, making sure neither one is twisted.

Repeat from the beginning of the handle section on the other side of the bag to make the second handle.

#### FINISH UP



Weave in all remaining loose ends and line with fabric.

#### ABOUT THE YARNS

**Eco-Cotton** is a softly spun yarn with 125 meters to a ball. It is 100% cotton and lovingly hand-dyed in South Africa.

Stockists of our yarn are listed on our webpage www.nurturingfibres.com

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