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Single Crochet Striped Purse

A sensational purse crocheted completely in single crochets.

Materials List:

Yarn

1 skei n Red Heart Super Saver (100% acrylic, 7oz [198g], 364yd [333m])
 in color 0390 Hot Red (actually used 3oz)

1 skei n Red Heart Super Saver (100% acrylic, 7oz [198g], 364yd [333m])
 in color 0776 Dark Orchid (actually used 3oz)

Hooks & Notions	Gauge	Finished Measurement
US K-10.5 (6.5mm)	4 sc = 1" (2.5cm)	11" x 9" (28cm x 23cm)
Needle		
Thread		

With Red ch 37, sc in 2nd ch from hook across – 36 sc. Ch 1, turn.

Row 1: Sc in each sc across – 36 sc. Ch 1, turn.

Row 2: Sc in each sc across – 36 sc. Change to Purple, ch 1, turn. (To change colors – See Video).

Row 3: Sc in front loop only across – 36 sc. Ch 1, turn.

Row 4: Sc in each sc across – 36 sc. Change to Red, ch 1, turn.

Row 5: Sc in front loop only across – 36 sc. Ch 1, turn.

Repeat Rows 1-5 until panel measures 22" (56cm), ending with Row 4 (completing two Purple rows).

Block panel to measure 22" x 11½" (56cm x 29.5cm)

Add one Purple sc row to Red end of panel. Optional: If you wish to add a loop to close over a large button sewed to the front of purse, chain the loop long enough to loop over the button in the center of this row.

Finishing Panel

Work around edge with sc in each row and 3 sc in each corner. You may choose one color or use the color of that row and carry the other color across the back of your panel, changing colors as you did for creating each row of the panel. With right sides together, fold panel , creating an 8" pocket. Sc sides together working through the tops of both sc with either color or work each stripe in its own color, carrying the other colored yarn across the back.   As you work, make sure each row matches the same color. After working both sides of pocket, end off yarn and weave in ends.

Double-Tassel Braided Handle

You can buy a matching handle. Or cut 24 60" (170cm) strips of yarn (12 in Red /12 in Purple).

About 8" (21cm) from one end made a single knot with all 24 strips, creating a single tassel.   Divide the yarn in 3 groups with 4 Red/4 Purple in each group. Braid about 24" (61cm), tie another tassel. Trim tassel yarns even. Sew the knots of each tassel to either side of purse pocket seam, where the pocket and top flap meet.