

# Pattern

## Star Stitch "Small"

Incl: Step by Step,  
pictures (73).  
Tutorial for lining  
+ zipper pocket.

**Model:** Star Stitch Small.  
**Size:** 25 x 2,5 x H 17 cm.  
**Tension:** 15 dc/10 cm.  
**Tension:** 9 Star Stitch/10 cm.  
**Hook:** 3,5 - 4,5 mm.  
**Yarn:** 100 g.



*Crocheted in Cosy - a wonderfully soft  
and high-quality cotton blend.  
60% Cotton/40% Acrylic. 50 g/100 m*



*All our bags are with lining - the lining gives a  
special finish, an extravagant look and a nice feeling  
of the quality. Additionally, the lining also keeps  
the bag in shape.*



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### The Lining

For all bags in our collection we have added the lining – beautiful lining gives the finish, the extravagant look and the luxury feeling of quality. The lining also has a very important function – it keeps the bag in shape.

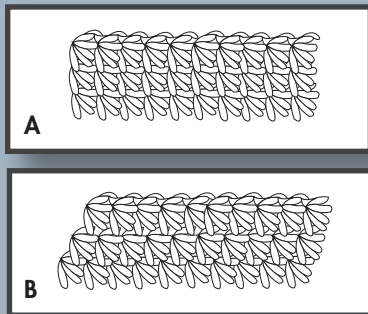
### About Star Stitch Design

The Star Stitch design is a beautiful design, which needs a little patience to learn. We recommend getting familiar with the Star Stitch pattern before starting the bag: crochet a chain of 30 ch and test the pattern. We have made a big effort, with a lot of step by step photos and text guide – but we do also tell that the best way to learn a crochet-sewing instruction is by a teacher showing you, or a video.

Pay attention to the base measure of your bag – it is the starting point for the bag's width and depth.

Star stitch can be crocheted so that all Star stitches are aligned in the rows (Picture A) – or where the row has a sloping position (Picture B).

The sloping position is created by working in a spiral, as described in the pattern – the aligned row pattern is created by adding 1 ch in each round at the end.



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## ABBREVIATIONS AND DEFINITIONS

st	Stitch(es)
ch	Chain stitch
dc	Double crochet
bl	Back loop
tbl	Through the back loop
r	Round(s)
yo	Yarn over

## STAR STITCH "SMALL"

**The base worked in the dc pattern – size of bag 25 x 2,5 x H 17 cm**

Crochet a foundation chain of 41 ch. Then work in a spiral (around the foundation chain).

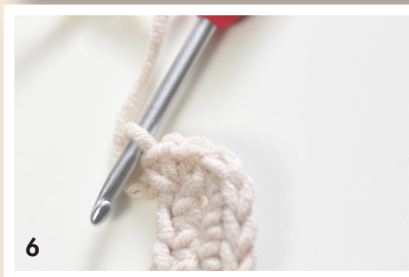
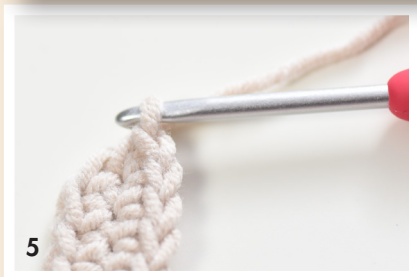
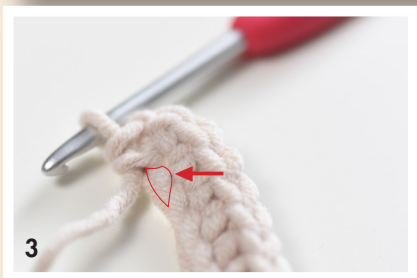
The 1st round starts in the 2nd chain. Then crochet 39 dc tbl and 3 dc in the final ch.

*! It is very important that the increases (the 3 dc's) are made before turning the work (picture guidance 3).*

Turn the work and crochet a dc in each of the front loops on the opposite side - in total 38. End with 2 dc in the final st.

*The round is finished - total of 82 dc.*

Picture guidance 1-6



## Continuation of dc in the second round

*We recommend marking the beginning of the second round\* - if you are not aware of the beginning when crocheting in spiral, there may be one dc missing at the end of the round.*

*Notice at the beginning of the second round that the first dc is shifted to the right, due to the increase. The increase has the effect that the second round is increased with one dc - in total there are 83 dc to crochet in (in the second round).*

*It's important to mark the beginning as it makes sure the correct number of dc are crocheted in.*

Crochet 1 dc in first st, 2 dc in 2nd st. \*Mark first dc that has just been crocheted in the 2nd row with a thread or marker.

Then:

dc in the next 38 sts.

2 dc in the next st.

1 dc in the next st.

2 dc in the next st.

dc in the next 38 sts.

2 dc in the next st.

1 dc in the final st.

Now 87 dc have been crocheted in the second round.

The base has now been completed and measures approx. 25 X 2,5 cm.

Picture guidance 7



## The sides of the bag

To start the sides of the bag crochet 1 dc in each bl for the full round (total 87 dc).

This creates a flat base with angled sides.

Picture guidance 8-10





## Continuation of the sides

Continue for another 2 r with 1 dc in each st, in total 87 dc for each round.

Picture guidance 11-13





## First Star stitch (on 1st round after the dc base)

Crochet 1 dc in the next ch (by the crochet hook). Crochet 3 ch in (the same) dc.  
This is your first loop of the star stitch pattern.

Then:

Put the hook in the 2nd ch from the hook and pull a loop through. You have 2 loops on your hook.

Put the hook in the 3rd ch from the hook and pull a loop through. You have 3 loops on your hook.

Put the hook in the 4th ch from the hook and pull a loop through. You have 4 loops on your hook.

Put the hook in the 5th ch from the hook and pull a loop through. You have 5 loops on your hook.

Put the hook in the 6th ch from the hook and pull a loop through. You have 6 loops on your hook.

Yo and pull through all the 6 loops. You have 1 loop on your hook. To finish the first star stitch, crochet 1 ch.

Picture guidance for the Star stitch 14-25\*

\* Note:

The procedure for the Star stitch is the same, regardless of whether the previous pattern is double crochet or half-treble crochet.









## Second Star stitch (on 1st round after the dc base)

There is 1 loop on the hook – place the hook through the ‘eye’ on the first Star stitch (on top of the Star stitch) to pull up another loop.

There are now 2 loops on the hook.

Then:

Put the hook under the 2nd st of the previous Star stitch. Pull a loop through.

You have 3 loops on your hook.

Put the hook in the st placed down to the left of your hook. Pull a loop through.

You have 4 loops on your hook.

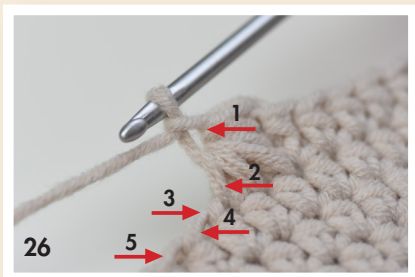
Put the hook in the next st from you hook. Pull a loop through. You have 5 loops on your hook.

Put the hook in the next st from you hook. Pull a loop through. You have 6 loops on your hook.

Yo and pull through all the 6 loops. You have 1 loop on your hook. To finish the first star stitch, crochet 1 ch.

Picture guidance 26-32.

*Continue in the Star stitch pattern, following the above description, until the end of the round.*





## First Star stitch (in the second round following the first full round of Star stitch)

There is 1 loop on the hook – place the hook through the ‘eye’ on the first Star stitch (on top of the Star stitch), to pull up another loop.

There are now 2 loops on the hook.

Then:

Put the needle under the 2nd st of the previous Star stitch. Pull a loop through.

You have 3 loops on your hook.

Put the needle in the st placed down to the left of your hook. Pull a loop through.

You have 4 loops on your hook.

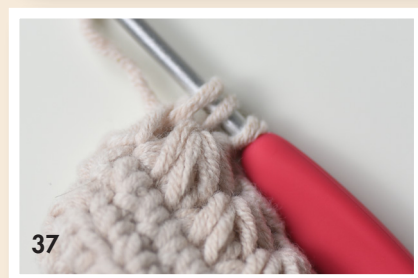
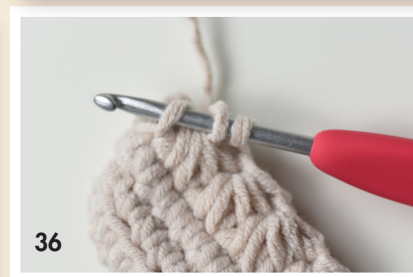
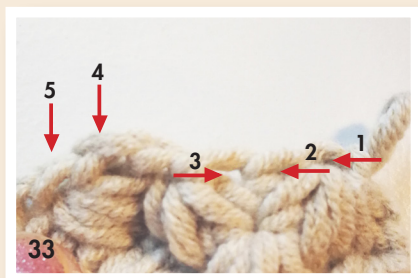
Put the needle in the st at the top of the first Star stitch of the 1st round. Pull a loop through.

You have 5 loops on your hook.

Put the needle in the next st from you hook. Pull a loop through. You have 6 loops on your hook.

Yo and pull through all the 6 loops. You have 1 loop on your hook. To finish the first star stitch, crochet 1 ch.

Picture guidance 33-44



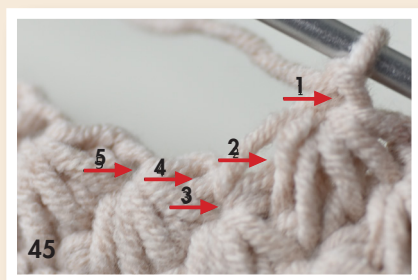


## Continuation of Star stitch

Continue in the Star stitch pattern until the end of the r. Crochet 12 r of Star stitch until the work measures approx. 17 cm. Guidance can be found in the chapter "*Second Star stitch*".

Picture guidance 45-62











## Top edge

Crochet a top edge with dc in every st for 2 r (87 dc).

Picture guidance 63-67

*The handbag is now ready to assemble and add handles.*





## Universal sewing instructions for bag lining and zipper pockets

Always read the whole description before you start – it contains details that are important for your full understanding

### Lining for the bag:

1. Put the bag on the lining fabric and draw the outline of the bag with chalk or a pencil. Cut around the drawn line - cut two equal pieces, so you have two pieces / sides, both the same size. Note: If the bag is to have a base then the height of the fabric must be adjusted accordingly.

2. Sew three sides together with backstitches. If your bag has a base, a "flat" piece in the bottom, add this to the height of the fabric before cutting. It may be an advantage to wait with the final cut of the lining fabric until the base has been sewn together.

3. Make the base as follows: Put the already sewn lining fabric on a flat surface (photo 68) and in each of the two sewn corners 'pull' the fabric away from the corner – now the fabric forms a 'flat' piece and a 'triangle' (photo 69). Stitch the triangle down at the desired location depending on the size of base you want (choose how many centimetres in). When you have sewn both triangles you have your base (photo 70).

4. When your base is completed it is a good idea to place the lining into the bag to correctly measure the required length. Let the fabric line the bag and cut at the desired height. Before cutting it is also possible to take into consideration a folded edge. This will give a nice transition inside the bag. Sew the lining on with invisible stitches.

### Zip locked pocket inside the bag:

5. A pocket is made of two pieces (equal size) of lining fabric, sewn together on three sides.

6. Sew the back of the zipper to the front of one of the pieces of fabric. Fold the edge of the other piece so that the two pieces are placed right side against right side and still are equal in size. The pocket is now finished.



### Placing the pocket in the lining of the bag:

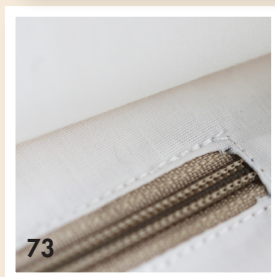
7. Put the pocket where you would like it to be, attach it to the lining with pins, then draw a line where you want the opening of the zipper. The opening can be shorter than the zipper; the extra part of the zipper will then be inside the pocket.

8. Cut the fabric where the marking for the opening is. Cut two small 'notches' of approx. 0,5 centimetres from each end of the opening - this is to make the area look nicer.

9. Fold the 'notches' back (photo 71).

10. Add the pocket, with the zipper upwards, onto the underside of the bag so that it fits with the opening in the lining. Sew on using backstitches (photo 72-73).

You have now made the lining with a zip locked pocket and all you need to do now is to attach the lining at the top of the bag with invisible stitches.





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