

Pattern leaf pouch

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If you don't have experience with tapestry/mochila technique you can find tutorials on you tube. I use: **yarn over** technique. Crochet as usual but take the 2 extra strands with you and **only use the back loop** (during the whole project)

To prevent the threads from getting into the knot I take the thread from close to the ball when making a color change.

You will see the green threads through the pink because the green is so dark. If that is a problem for you, you can use a hook size smaller to get it more closely. I personally don't mind seeing the green. *For more details about the technique and photos: look at my patterns for the cactus pouch and leafbag.*

Supplies:

Yarn and colors must-have:

Pastel pink 1 ball and a little of a second ball in this color
Bottle 1 ball
Aventurine 1 ball
Hook size 2,5 mm
Zipper 22 cm
Piece of fabric (I used soft canvas fabric)

We start by crocheting the bottom of the pouch using (cotton) yarn and colors color **pastel pink** and hook size 2,5.

Row1 chain 60,
crochet 58 single crochets on the chain and 3 sc in the last stitch from the chain.
Crochet 58 sc on the other side of the chain and 3 sc in the last one.

Row2 now you take the two green colors (**aventurine and bottle**) with you and crochet 2 stitches in the first stitch. (crochet over the two strands) in the corner you crochet 2 stitches in the 3 corner stitches.(6 in the corner) At the end of the row crochet 2 stitches in the last 2 stitches.

Row3 crochet around with the same amount of stitches

Row4 start following the chart (see next page). Read the chart from right to left.
When you finish the color chart you crochet the last rows in pink (still taking the other 2 strands to get the same thickness of the bag). *Check the colors I used below the chart!*

To make the bag firmer I added some fabric on the inside using my sewing machine. The zipper I added by hand. You can also use a magnetic button to close the bag or other button.



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