

Beautiful and Practical Netting

Medium Rectangular Square-Mesh Bag

with Spike Handle



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Medium Rectangular Square-mesh Net Bag

with Diamond-mesh Handles

63 yds of 4-ply worsted weight cotton yarn (for example: Sugar and Cream)

Body of Bag

Using a 1" mesh stick, create a rectangle of square mesh netting that is 13 squares wide and 27 squares long.

Begin the Rectangle by Increasing

Row 1: Net 2 knots into the foundation loop. (2 loops)

Remove the mesh stick and turn the work so that the next row can be worked from left to right. (This is done at the end of each row.)

Row 2: Net into the first loop on the left; increase by netting twice into the 2nd loop. (3 loops)

Row 3: Net one knot in each loop except the last loop; net 2 knots in that last loop. (4 loops)

Row 4: Net one knot in each loop except the last loop; net 2 knots in that last loop. (5 loops)

Row 5: Net one knot in each loop except the last loop; net 2 knots in that last loop. (6 loops)

Row 6: Net one knot in each loop except the last loop; net 2 knots in that last loop. (7 loops)

Row 7: Net one knot in each loop except the last loop; net 2 knots in that last loop. (8 loops)

Row 8: Net one knot in each loop except the last loop; net 2 knots in that last loop. (9 loops)

Row 9: Net one knot in each loop except the last loop; net 2 knots in that last loop. (10 loops)

Row 10: Net one knot in each loop except the last loop; net 2 knots in that last loop. (11 loops)

Row 11: Net one knot in each loop except the last loop; net 2 knots in that last loop. (12 loops)

Row 12: Net one knot in each loop except the last loop; net 2 knots in that last loop. (13 loops)

Row 13: Net one knot in each loop except the last loop; net 2 knots in that last loop. (14 loops)

Row 14: Net one knot in each loop. (14 loops)

Turn One Corner

Row 15: Net one knot in each loop except the last loop; net 2 knots in that last loop. (15 loops)

Row 16: Net 1 knot in each loop until you come to the last 2 loops; net the last 2 loops together. (14 loops)

Lengthen Rectangle by Increasing and Decreasing

Row 17: Net one knot in each loop except the last loop; net 2 knots in that last loop. (15 loops)

Row 18: Net 1 knot in each loop until you come to the last 2 loops; net the last 2 loops together. (14 loops)

Row 19-28: Repeat rows 17 and 18.

Turn a Corner and Complete the Rectangle by Decreasing

Row 29-40: Net 1 knot in each loop until you come to the last 2 loops; net the last 2 loops together.

Create Last Corner

When the row only has 2 loops, net those 2 loops together without using a mesh stick.

Spike Handle

Single-Wrapped Loop: Wrap the cord around the mesh stick 1 time before tying the netting knot in the usual manner. The loop formed is twice as long as an unwrapped loop.

Prepare to Net the Handle

1. Place the width of the rectangle near you with the knot just tied in the left-most square.
2. Place a new foundation loop cord through the squares 4 or 5 rows from the edge.
3. Tie foundation loop cord into a circle.
4. Remove the old foundation loop from the tension device.
5. Attach the new foundation loop to the tension device.

Handle Part One

Without a mesh stick, net 1 knot into the corner mesh along the width of the rectangle that is closest to the last knot tied.

Row 1: Using a 1½" mesh stick, net 2 knots in each square mesh along the width of the bag body. There will be 26 loops formed along the width of the rectangle.

Row 2: Using a 1½" mesh stick, net 1 knot in each of the 26 loops.

Row 3: Using a 1½" mesh stick, net 1 knot in first loop, *net 4 loops together, net 1 knot in the next loop.

Rows 4-5: Using a 1½" mesh stick, net 1 Single-Wrapped Loop in each loop across the handle. (8 loops)

Rows 6-17: Using a ½" mesh stick, net 1 knot in each loop.

Tie an overhand knot and tighten it just above row 3. The knot will if tighten properly completely use one row of Single-Wrapped Loops.

Complete the First Corner of the Rectangle

1. Untie and remove both the old and new foundation loops.
2. Net together the first 2 loops made, without using a mesh stick.
3. Place the width of the rectangle near you with the knot just tied in the left-most square.
4. Place a new foundation loop cord through the squares 4 or 5 rows from the edge.
5. Retie the foundation loop and attach to a tension device.
6. Tie the yarn used in netting the 2 loops together to the yarn on the netting shuttle.
7. Begin other handle.

Handle Part Two

Repeat instructions for Handle Part One along the edge of the other width of the rectangle.

Finish Bag

Tie handles together with a square or over-hand knot. A six-inch cord is run along the meshes on each length of the bag and tied to form the body of the bag.