# PATTERNS: CROCHET FELTED BAG

This fun felted purse introduces the skill of felting. You crochet the purse and then felt it to make it more sturdy and solid.

#### **MATERIALS**

- 1 ball of color A
- 1 ball of color B
- Size K 10.5 crochet hook
- Large- eyed blunt needle



### **MEASUREMENTS**

- About 8 x 7 ½ x 2 in after felting
- Gauge: 12 stitches + 15 rows = 4 in. before felting in single crochet.
- BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

## Base:

- With "A", chain 31.
- Row 1: single crochet in 2nd chain from hook and in each chain across 30 sc.
- Rows 2-9: Chain 1, turn, single crochet in each sc across. Work 8 sc evenly spaced across short side of piece. Work 30 sc along opposite side of beginning chain. Work 8 sc evenly spaced across remaining short side of piece 76 sc around base.

#### Sides:

Sc in each single crochet around until bag measures 5 ½ in. from base. Fasten off "A" and join "B." With "B" continue in sc around until bag measures 10 in. from base. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

# Felting:

Wash by machine on a hot wash/cold rinse cycle with detergent and several pieces of clothing to agitate. To felt additionally, dry by machine on regular setting until almost dry. Then, remove from dryer and pull into shape.