## Crochet pattern mosaic bag with flowers – American crochet pattern:

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The pattern on this beautiful bag is made with the technique called 'Overlay Mosaic'. The bottom of the bag and the top of the bag (in green) are made with just Single Crochet.

I have also crocheted a green bag for the inside with just Single Crochet. The outside bag would be flimsy and unstable so this inside bag will give the bag some extra structure and firmness.

Designer Tips:

This bag is made with Single Crochet but also with the technique called **'Overlay Mosaic'**:

- With Overlay Mosaic you work in Single Crochet and Mosaic Double Crochet
- You change color after every round and you use just 1 color in every round
- When you work in Single Crochet you use only the back loops of the stitch
- When you work Mosaic Double Crochet you make a regular Double Crochet stitch in the front stitch 2 rounds below
- The Pattern repeat is a multiple of 14 stitches. You have to crochet this repeat between brackets [.] 9 times = 9x.

Skill level: Intermediate (I expect you to know how to crochet Overlay Mosaic)

Size: the diameter of the bag is 16 cm / 6.3 inch and the height is 19 cm / 7.5 inch.

Materials:

- Schachenmayr Catania (sport) fine weight 100% cotton yarn (125 m/ 137 yds / 50 g per skein):
  - 1 skein #00130 creme
  - 5 skeins #00205 apfel (green)
  - 1 skein #00256 himbeer (dark pink)
  - 1 skein #00409 dahlie (light pink)
- Size C/2/2.5 mm crochet hook or size needed to obtain gauge
- Tapestry needle
- Piece of cardboard 11 cm / 4.4 inch high for making the tassels

**Gauge**
Pattern for Overlay Mosaic: rounds 1 – 30 = 13 cm high and 12 stitches = 5 cm wide

**Pattern notes:**

- The bottom of the bag and the top of the bag are crocheted in a spiral. We don't close the round but continue to crochet in the round. The inner bag is crocheted completely in a spiral.
- We always crochet on the Right Side
- The rounds, where we use the mosaic technique, are closed with a SLST and every round you have to start with a Chain-1. This CH1 doesn't count as a stitch.
- With overlay mosaic you change color after every round
- Usually with overlay mosaic you cut the yarn after every row and start a new color. Because we work in the round we don't cut the yarn, but leave it on the inside of the bag until we need the color again. These floats of yarn won't be visible after we added the inside bag.
- I have added a chart at the last page and information on how to make tassels
- Repeat the stitches between brackets [.]  After the bracket it is stated how many times (i.e 6x = 6 times)

Used Stitches:  chain (CH), Single Crochet (SC), Slipstitch (SLST) and Magic Ring, MDC = Mosaic Double Crochet and INC = increase (2SC in 1 stitch)

1SC = 1SC in 1 stitch, 2SC = 1SC in the next 2 stitches, 3SC = 1SC in the next 3 stitches, etc