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Plastic Bag Crochet

Supplies:

Plastic Shopping Bags, Crochet Hook and Scissors.

Please Note: Some crochet experience will be helpful for this project.

Step 1



Begin by cutting the handles off of the plastic shopping bags (straight across the top). Next, cut the bags using a spiral technique so you end up with a single strand of plastic bag about 1 inch thick. Tie all of your bags together to form a single strand. The number of bags you need will vary according to how large you want your finished piece to be.

Step 2



Create a slip knot and hold the crochet hook in your right hand while holding the bag in your left hand.

Step 3



Wrap the bag around the hook and pull it through to complete the first stitch.

Step 4



Continue this chain stitch until it is as wide as you would like your finished bag to be.

Step 5



After you are finished with your chain, turn it around (keeping the hook in your right hand, bag in your left).

Step 6



Start the single stitch pattern by inserting the hook through the second chain stitch from the end (where the hook is).

Step 7



Catch the yarn with the crochet hook and pull it through the stitch. There should be two loops of bag over the hook.

Step 8



Wrap the bag over the hook again and pull it through the two loops that are on the hook, leaving you with one loop of bag on the hook. You have now completed the first single crochet stitch!

Step 9



Repeat the stitch until you reach the end of your chain, then turn the row around and continue until you have the desired size.

Repeat steps 1-9 to complete a second panel the same size.

Step 10



Take both panels and stitch them together along 3 of the 4 edges. Create handles for your bag by crocheting a few rows and stitching the ends to the open corners of your bag.

Congratulations, you have made something useful out of bags that were destined for the landfill!