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Ocean Playmat & Drawstring Bag · Free Crochet Pattern

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Source instructions

A Playmat and Bag in One? Yes, Please!

LINKS

Download the 4-in-1 PDF pattern from my store , Ravelry , or Etsy Get the crochet kit here (buy the yarn and get the pattern for FREE!) Save it on Pinterest here Say hello to the ultimate blend of fun and function - my Ocean Playmat crochet pattern! This clever design transforms from a soft, interactive play surface into a convenient drawstring bag that lets you scoop up toys and take the fun on the go. Whether you're heading to the park, a playdate, or just tidying up at home, this portable solution makes storage and transport a breeze.

It’s a beginner-friendly project that’s as practical as it is cute - and it’s a key piece in my Ocean Pals Playset bundle. It's a charming, portable crochet pattern pack that features underwater friends and a clever playmat that doubles as a drawstring bag.

Ready to crochet something both playful and purposeful? Let’s dive in!

About the Pattern Quick Easy No-sew Designed with medium weight 4 yarn (but can be supersized with bulky yarn or made smaller with thinner yarn) Designed using the beautiful Landscapes Breeze yarn Available as a 4-in-1 printable PDF pattern download and a free written pattern! (Scroll down for the free pattern) Get the Bundle Want a 4-in-1 crochet pattern that is ad-free, printable, and includes three ocean animals plus a bonus ocean play mat that doubles up as a drawstring bag?

This is a detailed, 18-page pattern with 80+ photo references that will guide you through the process of making a realistic octopus, fish, and sea turtle and a portable pouch to contain them!

Below is a pattern preview to give you a quick look!

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OCEAN PLAYMAT

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Pattern Info Size: Animals: between 4” - 5” Mat diameter: 13.5” Level of Difficulty: ★★★☆☆ Intermediate. Requires familiarity with stitches used (below).

Stitches/Terms Used: FO = fasten off YO = yarn over sk = skip MR = magic ring ch = chain st = stitch sl st = slip stitch sc = single crochet inc = increase (insert 2 sc in same st) dec = decrease (sc 2 sts together) hdc = half double crochet dc = double crochet dc-inc = dc increase (insert 2 dc in the same st) dc-dec = dc decrease (dc 2 sts together)BLO = back loops only Materials: 1 skein Landscapes® Breeze Yarn in the color "Bay" 6mm crochet hook Yarn needle Stuffing Scissors

Crochet Instructions

PLAYMAT

Note: Join the end of each round with a sl st to the first dc.

Use the 6mm hook and the color BAY yarn.

R1: In a MR, ch 2 and insert 12 dc. Tighten the ring, then join with a sl st to the first dc. (12)

R2: Ch 2, dc-inc around. Join. (24)

R3: Ch 2, (dc, dc-inc) x 12. Join. (36)

R4: Ch 2, (dc 2, dc-inc) x 12. Join. (48)

R5: Ch 2, (dc 3, dc-inc) x 12. Join. (60)

R6: Ch 2, (dc 4, dc-inc) x 12. Join. (72)

R7: Ch 2, (dc 5, dc-inc) x 12. Join. (84)

R8: Ch 2, (dc 6, dc-inc) x 12. Join. (96)

R9: Ch 2, (dc 7, dc-inc) x 12. Join. (108)

R10: Ch 2, (dc 8, dc-inc) x 12. Join. (120)

R11: Ch 2, (dc 9, ch, sk a st) x 12. Join.

FO with a tail and weave it in.

DRAWSTRING

Ch 150 (or however long to wrap around the circumference of the bag).

FO with a tail and weave it and out of the holes (the chain gaps) created in R11 of the bag. Knot the ends of the strap together.

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