



# Union Jack Shopper

by Marie Wallin



## YARN

Rowan Purelife British Sheep Breeds DK

<b>A</b> Brown Bluefaced Leicester	781	15	x 50gm
<b>B</b> Mid Brown Bluefaced Leicester	782	1	x 50gm
<b>C</b> Bluefaced Leicester	780	1	x 50gm

## NEEDLES

One 3.5mm crochet hook, one pair of 4mm and 3.25mm needles

## FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

50cm wide x 68cm long x 20cm deep

## TENSION

**Crochet Bag** – 21 sts and 26 rows in double crochet measured over 10cm using a 3.5mm hook. **Pockets** – 22 sts and 30 rows in stocking stitch measured over 10cm using 4mm needles

## FRONT, HANDLES & BACK OF BAG

### Front

Using A and 3.5mm crochet hook, work a foundation ch of 106 ch.

**Row 1 (RS):** 1 dc into 2<sup>nd</sup> ch from hook, 1 dc into each ch to end, turn.

**Row 2:** 1 ch, 1 dc into each dc to end, turn.

Repeat row 2 until work measures 50cm from start, ending with RS facing for start of next row.

### Right Handle facing

**Next row (RS):** 1 ch, 1 dc into each of next 13 dcs, turn.

Working on these 13 sts only, continue in double crochet

until strip measures 36cm from start of handle. Fasten off.

### Left Handle facing

**Next row (RS):** Join A to the 80<sup>th</sup> dc from inside edge of right handle facing, work 1 dc into each dc to end, turn.

Working on these 13 sts only, continue in double crochet to until strip measures 36cm from start of handle, ending with WS for start of next row, turn.

### Back

**Next row (WS):** 1 ch, 1 dc into each dc until end of left handle facing, 79 ch, work 1 dc into each dc along top of right handle facing, turn.

**Next row (RS):** 1 ch, 1 dc into each of next 13 dc, 1 dc into each of next 79 ch, 1 dc into each dc to end, turn. 105 sts.

**Next row:** 1ch, 1 dc into each dc to end, turn.

Repeating the last row, continue in double crochet until work measures 50cm from start of back. Fasten off.

## SIDE & BASE PANEL

Using A and 3.5mm crochet hook, work a foundation ch of 43 ch.

**Row 1 (RS):** 1 dc into 2<sup>nd</sup> ch from hook, 1 dc into each ch to end, turn.

**Row 2:** 1 ch, 1 dc into each dc to end, turn.

Repeat row 2 until work measures 150cm from start. Fasten off.

## POCKETS

### Heart Pocket – make 2 alike

Using B and 4mm needles cast on 35 sts.

Work 6 rows of st st.

Continue to work from chart starting at chart row 7 (RS),

adding in C and working the pattern in intarsia until chart row 43 has been worked.

Using B work 7 rows in st st.

Change to 3.25mm needles and work 1.5cm of K1, P1 rib. Cast off.

### **Union Jack Pocket – make 1**

Using A and 4mm needles cast on 35 sts.

Continue from chart, adding in B and C when required; work the pattern in intarsia until chart row 50 has been worked.

Using A, work one row in st st.

Change to 3.25mm needles and work 1.5cm of K1, P1 rib. Cast off.

### **Plain Pockets – make 3 alike**

Using A and 4mm needles cast on 35 sts.

Work 50 rows in st st or until pocket measures the same in length as the heart and flag pockets.

Change to 3.25mm needles and work 1.5cm of K1, P1 rib. Cast off.

## **MAKING UP**

Sew in all loose ends neatly on WS of work.

Press all sections gently using a warm iron over a damp cloth.

With RS of front, handles and back facing, fold in half so that the front section is on top of the back section. Join in the RS of side and base panel along the front section starting immediately below one handle and finishing immediately below the second handle. Repeat joining in the back section.

### **Attaching the front pockets**

With front of bag facing, and with the RS of a heart pocket facing, place the pocket at the bottom right hand corner so that the right hand side and base of pocket is immediately next to the side and base seam. Attach the pocket to the bag by mattress stitching in place.

Attach the union jack pocket next the first heart pocket, followed by the second heart pocket.

### **Attaching the back pockets**

Attach the 3 plain pockets on the back of the bag in the same positions and in the same manner as the front pockets.

Press the bag lightly using a warm iron over a damp cloth.

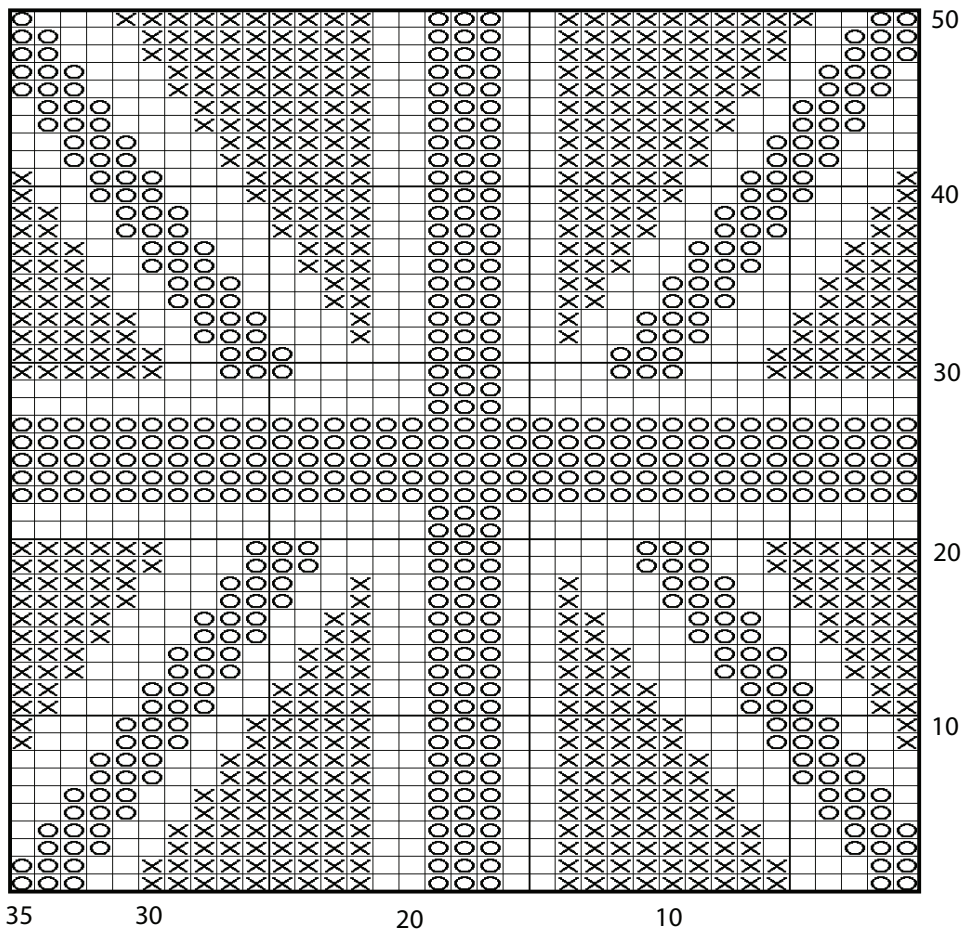
### **Tassel string**

Using a 3.5mm crochet hook and A, work a ch length of 80ch. Fasten off.

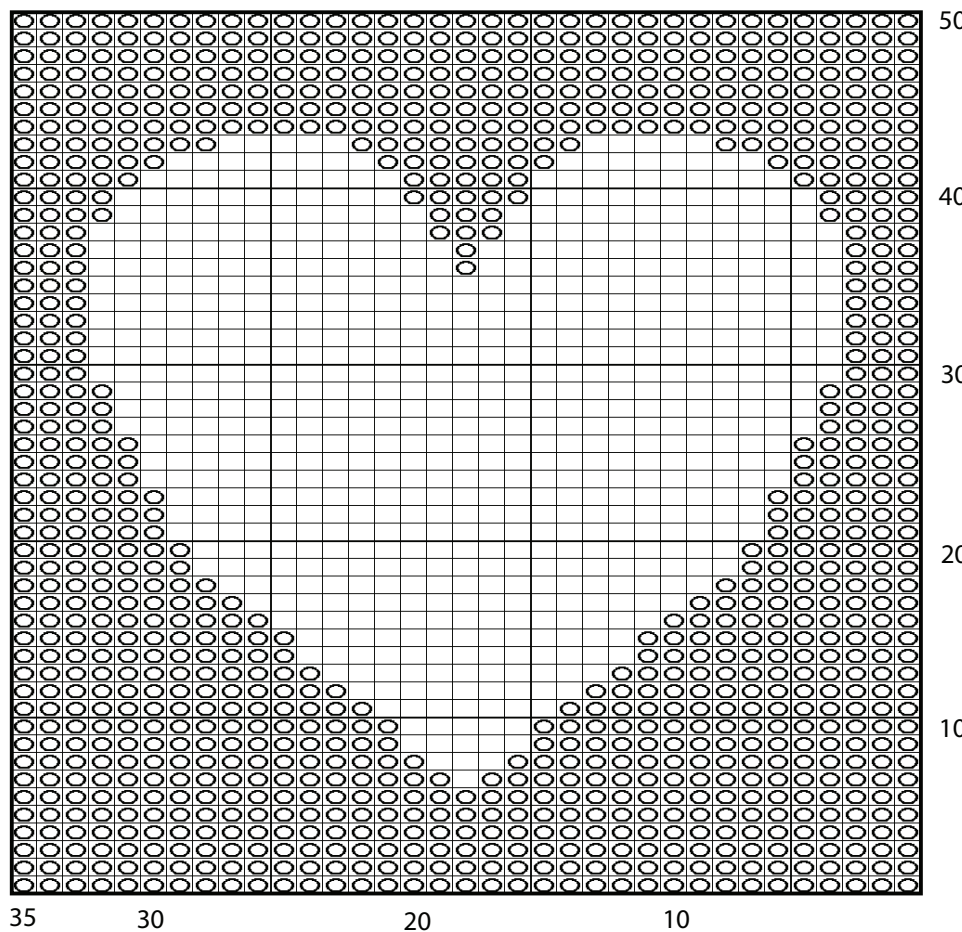
### **Tassel**

Using A and a 24cm approx. long piece of stiff card, wrap the yarn around the card lengthwise for approx. 50 times. Fold tassel string in half and loop through the yarn wrapping and form a slip knot at the top and pull tight. Take the wrapping off the card and trim the tassel to the desired length (we recommend at least 10cm). Wrap a piece of yarn around the wrapping approx. 2cm from the top several times pulling tight. Fasten off. Attach the tassel to the base of one of the handles on the bag and secure in place by tying or stitching in place.





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