

# Free Daisy Mae Crochet Bag – Detailed Step-by-Step Guide



There's something undeniably magical about flower season. As the weather warms and the sky turns bright blue, it inspires creativity—and what better way to celebrate than with a handmade floral crochet bag?

The **Daisy Mae Crochet Bag** blends the timeless charm of granny squares with soft, puffy daisies to create a beautiful and functional accessory. With its roomy structure and eye-catching spiral handles, this bag is both practical and stylish.

## Why You'll Love This Pattern

- Combines **classic granny squares** with a modern floral twist
- Features **3D puffy daisy petals** for texture
- Highly **customizable**—swap squares or colors easily
- Great for both **relaxing crochet sessions** and travel projects
- Works up in **manageable steps**, making it beginner-friendly with some experience

## Materials Needed

**Yarn (Worsted Weight #4):**

- Main Color (Pink): 5 oz
- Petals (White): 3.5 oz
- Centers (Yellow/Mustard): 2 oz

**Tools:**

- Crochet Hook: US H/8 (5 mm)
- Tapestry needle
- Scissors

**Optional:**

- Fabric ( $\frac{1}{2}$ – $\frac{3}{4}$  yard) for lining
- Sewing machine
- Magnetic snap closure

**Finished Size**

- Bag: **17.5" wide × 18.5" tall (including handles)**
- Each square: **4.5" × 4.5"**

**Step 1: Make 17 Daisy Granny Squares**



**Pro Tip:**

Work in batches:

1. Make all centers first
2. Then petals
3. Finish with outer rounds

**Round 1: Center Ring**

- Chain 4, slip stitch to form a ring
- Chain 1
- Work **12 single crochets (sc)** into the ring
- Join with slip stitch

**Round 2: Create Spaces**

- Chain 3 (counts as hdc + ch 1)
- Repeat:  
→ *1 half double crochet (hdc), chain 1* in each stitch
- You should have:
  - 12 hdc
  - 12 chain-1 spaces
- Join and fasten off

**Round 3: Puffy Petals**

Join white yarn in any chain-1 space.

For each petal:

1. Chain 4 (counts as first treble crochet)
2. Make **3 more treble crochets (tr)** in the same space
3. Remove hook from loop
4. Insert hook into the first treble stitch
5. Pull loop through → forms puff

Repeat:

- Chain 2 between petals
- Continue around until you have **12 petals**
- Fasten off

#### **Round 4: Shape into a Square**

Join pink yarn between petals.

- In corners:  
→ *(3 tr, ch 2, 3 tr)*
- Along sides:  
→ Work **3 double crochets (dc)** in each space
- Repeat to form a square

#### **Round 5: Prep Round for Joining**

- Work **single crochet (sc)** across
- Chain 3 between groups
- In corners:  
→ *(sc, ch 2, sc)*

This round prepares squares for joining.

#### **Step 2: Join the Squares (Faux Braid Join)**



**Layout:**

- Arrange all **17 squares** according to your bag diagram

**Joining Method:**

- Use **Faux Braid Join** for a neat, braided look
- Join squares in rows first
- Then connect rows together

**Important Tips:**

- Always join **corner to corner properly**
- When **4 squares meet**, reinforce the join twice
- Do NOT accidentally close openings

**Step 3: Fold into Bag Shape**



- Fold from the **bottom center upward**
- Follow the layout carefully

**Key Detail:**

- Top squares form an **“M” shape**
- This creates the bag opening

**Step 4: Add Handles**



### **Option 1: Spiral Handles (Recommended)**

- Make **16-inch spiral straps**
- Attach at top peaks

### **Option 2: Simple Straps**

- Chain desired length
- Work rows of single crochet

### **Step 5: Crochet the Edging**

Work around the opening:

- In chain-3 spaces:  
→ *(sc, hdc, sc)*
- Between spaces:  
→ Slip stitch
- At handle peaks:  
→ 3 half double crochets
- Front/back valleys:  
→ Single crochet 3 together

- Side valleys:  
→ Single crochet 2 together (twice)

This prevents stretching and keeps edges neat

### **Step 6: Optional Lining**



Highly recommended if:

- Carrying small items
- Want extra durability

### **Steps:**

1. Trace bag shape onto fabric
2. Sew lining before attaching handles
3. Add pocket or magnetic closure if desired
4. Insert and sew lining inside bag

### **Final Steps**

- Attach handles securely
- Weave in all loose ends
- Shape your bag gently

## **Finished Result**

You'll have a:

- Beautiful **handmade floral tote**
- Strong, functional design
- Unique piece that stands out

Enjoy making your **Daisy Mae Crochet Bag**.