Raised Hearts Tote
Free Crochet Pattern

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MATERIALS: Bernat Baby Softee yarn in Lavender and White, size F hook or hook to obtain gauge, size 10 Metallic Gold/White crochet thread, size 7 crochet hook or hook to obtain gauge, needle to take yarn and needle to take crochet thread.

Gauge: Bernat: 5 sc sts = 1”, 5 rows sc = 1”, 5 Fpdc/Bpdc = 1”, 3 rows Fpdc/Bpdc = 1”, 5 dc sts, = 1”, 4 rows dc = 1-1/2”. Metallic: 5 sc sts = 1/2”, ring is 1” diameter.

FINISHED SIZE: 12” across and 13” tall.

SPECIAL STITCHES: The stitches used to make the raised sts are Front Post dc or Fpdc and Back Post dc or Bpdc. This is a dc worked around the previous row’s st instead of in the top of the sts as normally done. In the Fpdc you are working the st by inserting your hook from the front of the piece, behind the previously worked st and then back through to the front, yo and work as established for dc. Bpdc is the same but instead of inserting your hook from the front of the piece you insert it from the back of the piece and then around the previously worked dc and then back through the back, yo and finish working normal dc.

You will be alternating two colors as you work. Due to the special Fpdc and Bpdc you will not be able to work the white yarn behind the sts as you crochet. Simply drop the white, make the raised sts, pick the white back up carefully running it behind the worked sts and continue working. When working the background you can work the pink yarn behind your sts picking up and dropping as indicated.

PURSE:
ROW 1: With white yarn and F hook ch-123, sc 2nd ch from hook, sc ea ch across, ch-1, turn. (124 sts)
ROW 2-5: Sc ea st across, ch-1, turn.
ROW 6: Sc next 5 sts, * sc next 6, join lavender yarn, drop white, dc next st, drop lavender pick up white, sc next 14, drop white pick up lavender, dc next, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 6, * rep bet ** 4 times, sc next 5, ch-1, turn.
ROW 7: Sc next 5 sts, * sc next 5, drop white, pick up lavender, Fpdc next 3, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 12, drop white, pick up lavender, Fpdc next 3, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 5, * rep bet ** 4 times, sc next 5, ch-1, turn.
ROW 8: Sc next 5 sts, * sc next 4, drop white, pick up lavender, Bpdc next 5, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 10, drop white, pick up lavender, Bpdc 5, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 4, * rep bet ** 4 times, sc next 5, ch-1, turn.
ROW 9: Sc next 5, * sc next 3, drop white, pick up lavender, Fpdc next 7, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 9, drop white, pick up lavender Fpdc next 2, drop lavender, pick up white, sc, drop white, pick up lavender, Fpdc next 2, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 4, * rep bet ** 4 times, sc next 5, ch-1, turn.
ROW 10: Sc next 5, * sc next 4, drop white, pick up lavender, Bpdc next st, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 3, drop white, pick up lavender, Bpdc next st, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 8, drop white, pick up lavender, Bpdc next 10, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 2, * rep bet ** 4 times, sc next 5, ch-1, turn.
ROW 11: Sc next 5 sts, * sc next st, drop white, pick up lavender, Fpdc next 11, drop lavender, pick up white, Fpdc next 11, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 6, * rep bet ** 4 times, sc next 5, ch-1, turn.
ROW 12: Sc next 5 sts, * sc next 6, drop white, pick up lavender, Bpdc next st, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 8, drop white, pick up lavender, Bpdc next 13, drop lavender, pick up white, * rep bet ** 4 times, sc next 5, ch-1, turn.
ROW 13: Sc next 5 sts, * drop white, pick up lavender, Fpdc next 6, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next st, drop white, pick up lavender, Fpdc next 6, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 7, sc next 7, drop white, pick up lavender, Fpdc next 3, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 5, * rep bet ** 4 times, sc next 5, ch-1, turn.
ROW 14: Sc next 5 sts, * sc next 4, drop white, pick up lavender, Bpdc next 5, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 6, drop white, pick up lavender, Bpdc next 5, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 3, drop white, pick up lavender, Bpdc next 5, drop lavender, pick up white, * rep bet ** 4 times, sc next 5, ch-1, turn.
ROW 15: Sc next 5 sts, * sc next st, drop white, pick up lavenders, Fpdc next 3, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 5, drop white, pick up lavender, Fpdc next 3, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 6, drop white, pick up lavender, Fpdc next 7, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 3, * rep bet ** 4 times, sc next 5, ch-1, turn.
ROW 16: Sc next 5 sts, * sc next 2, drop white, pick up lavender, Bpdc next 9, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 17, * rep bet ** 4 times, sc next 5, ch-1, turn.
ROW 17: Sc next 5 sts, * sc next 6, drop white, pick up lavender, Fpdc next st, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 9, drop white, pick up lavender, Fpdc next 11, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next st, * rep bet ** 4 times, sc next 5, ch-1, turn.
ROW 18: Sc next 5 sts, * drop white, pick up lavender, Bpdc next 13, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 7, drop white, pick up lavender, Bpdc next 3, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 5, * rep bet ** 4 times, sc next 5, ch-1, turn.
ROW 19: Sc next 5 sts, * sc next 4, drop white, pick up lavender, Fpdc next 5, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 6, drop white, pick up lavender, Fpdc next 6, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next st, drop white, pick up lavender, Fpdc next 6, drop lavender, pick up white, * rep bet ** 4 times, sc next 5, ch-1, turn.
ROW 20: Sc next 5 sts, * drop white, pick up lavender, Bpdc next 5, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 3, drop white, pick up lavender, Fpdc next 5, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 6, drop white, pick up lavender, Bpdc next 2, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next st, drop white, pick up lavender, Bpdc next 2, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 4, * rep bet ** 4 times, sc next 5, ch-1, turn.
ROW 21: Sc next 5 sts, * sc next 4, drop white, pick up lavender, Fpdc next st, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 3, drop white, pick up lavender, Fpdc next st, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 7, drop white, pick up lavender, Fpdc next 3, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next 5, drop white, pick up lavender, Fpdc next 3, drop lavender, pick up white, sc next st, * rep bet ** 4 times, sc next 5 sts, ch-1, turn.
Rep row 6-21 for a total of 4 times.
Then sc across for 4 rows and fasten off. With needle and yarn sew short ends tog to form a tube.

PURSE BOTTOM:
RND 1: With white yarn and F hook ch-27, dc 3rd ch from hook, dc next 23 ch, 2 dc last ch, turn piece so you are now working across the bottom of the foundation ch (in bottoms of sts just made), dc ea ch across, sl st top beg ch-3 (does not count), turn. (50 sts)
RND 2: Ch-3, 2 dc next 2 sts, dc next 22, 2 dc next 3, dc next 22, 2 dc last st, sl st top beg ch-3, turn. (56 sts)
RND 3: Ch-3, 2 dc next 2 sts, dc next 23, 2 dc next 5, dc next 23, 2 dc last 3 sts, sl st top beg ch-3, turn. (66 sts)
RND 4: Ch-3, (2 dc next st, dc next st) 3 times, 2 dc next, dc next 24, rep bet () 4 times, 2 dc next, dc next 24, 2 dc next, dc last st, sl st top beg ch-3, turn. (76 sts)
RND 5: Ch-3, 2 dc next st, dc next 27, (2 dc next, dc next) 5 times, 2 dc next, dc next 27, rep bet () 5 times, sl st top beg ch-3, turn. (88 sts)
RND 6: Ch-3, (2 dc next st, dc next st) 7 times, 2 dc next, dc next 27, rep bet () 8 times, 2 dc next, dc next 27, 2 dc next, dc last st, sl st top beg ch-3, turn. (104 sts)
RND 7: Ch-3, dc ea st around, sl st top beg ch-3, turn.
RND 8: Ch-3, (2 dc next st, dc next 2 sts) 6 times, 2 dc next, dc next 33, rep bet () 6 times, 2 dc next, dc next 33, sl st top beg ch-3, turn. (118 sts)
RND 9: Ch-3, 2 dc next st, dc next 31, (2 dc next, dc next 2) 9 times, 2 dc next, dc next 31, rep bet () 9 times, sl st top beg ch-3, fasten off. (138 sts)
With needle and yarn sew bottom to bottom of purse.

PURSE STRAP:

1ST RING:
With crochet thread and 7 hook ch-10, sl st to form a ring, ch-1, work 25 sc in ring, sl st top beg sc, fasten off.

NEXT RING:
With crochet thread and 7 hook ch-10, insert ch into previous made ring, sl st to form a ring, ch-1, work 25 sc in ring, sl st top beg sc, ch-1, turn.
Make 2 straps of 20 rings. Sew to ea side of purse.
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Abbreviations Used In This Pattern

- **Ch** = Chain
- **St** = Stitch
- **Sl St** = Slip Stitch
- **Sc** = Single Crochet
- **Hdc** = Half Double Crochet
- **Dc** = Double Crochet
- **Fpdc** = Front Post Double Crochet
- **Bpdc** = Back Post Double Crochet
- **Trc** = Treble Crochet
- **Rnd** = Round
- **Beg** = Beginning
- **Rep** = Repeat
- **Bet** = Between
- **Sk** = Skip
- **Dec** = Decrease
- **Ea** = Each
- **Tog** = Together