

# Plasticity Bag Pattern

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## Supplies

**100 plastic grocery bags + 1 plastic insert bag (thicker plastic bag)**

- **Cut bags into plarn (except insert bag)**

**scissors**

**N/15 10mm crochet hook**

**Metal crochet needle**

**Row 1:** ch 31

**Row 2:** sc around,  
2sc at the end,  
continue working the other side of the ch,  
2sc at the end,  
sl st to join, ch 1.

**Row 3-9:** sc around,  
2sc each corner,  
sl st, ch 1.

**Row 10:** sc around

**Row 11:** sc around to corner,  
sc2tog at corner,  
sc to next corner,  
sc2tog at corner,  
repeat around,  
sl st to join, ch 1.

**Row 12-18:** repeat row 10-11 (4 regular sc rows with 4 sc2tog corner rows)

**Row 19-37:** sc around,  
sl st to join, ch 1.

Put your plastic insert bag inside your plarn bag. Because the plarn bag is stretchy, it's okay if it's not an exact fit. If the top of the plarn bag isn't close to the bottom of the handle hole, do another row of sc.

Fold the plarn bag in half the wrong way (look at the bottom, fold short ends together) and mark the center. This is where your handles will go.

**Row 38:** sc around until you are 4 sc away from your center mark,  
ch10  
sc in the 8th sc away from where you started your ch  
Repeat for the other handle  
sl st to join, ch1.

**Row 39:** sc around to first chain,  
begin your sc in the first chain while holding the insert handle in your tension hand with your plarn, work the sc so the handle is inside the stitch.  
continue over the handle,  
sc around to the next handle and repeat,  
sl st to join, ch1.

**Row 40:** hdc around the top of the bag,  
sl st to join, cut plarn.

## **Stitching the Insert**

Settle the insert bag corners inside the plarn bag. Sometimes the sides have extra plastic that needs to be folded to match the top of your plarn bag. Manipulate the insert until you have it laying flat and nice against the top. You can use bobby pins or something that doesn't poke through the plastic to hold the top in place.

Thread a metal yarn needle with plarn, weave it through a few of the stitches along the top or inside the bag (wherever it won't be noticeable). Using the width of your thumb from (top of the bag to where you will stitch) begin to run your hand stitches through the plarn bag (hiding the plarn in your sc stitches) and poking the needle through the plastic insert. Work around until you get to the first handle, work your stitches down around the bottom of the handle hole. Keep working around until you get to the next handle and work around the bottom again. Finish stitching to where you started and weave the ends in.

The corners of the insert bag can be left loose or stitched to the corners of the plarn bag. Use the same process as the top stitch and do a single stitch or two in each corner of the liner bag to your plarn bag.

For a cleaner look, take a smaller crochet hook and carefully push any of the knotted plarn ends that may be sticking out of your crochet stitches.