### Girl Power Backpack



**Yarn**: Lily: Sugar and cream: Worsted 4 ply cotton, 120 yrds./ 2.5 oz color: 1 skein: Soft

Ecru, 1 skein: Hot Pink

Hook: I

**Notions:** safety pin, blunt needle

Size: Each motif is 5 inches. Bag is roughly 13

by 11.

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### Pattern:

Pentagon Motif: (make 5 pink and make 5 ecru)

**Round 1:** Make an adjustable loop, ch 1,{sc in loop, ch 9, sc in loop} repeat 3 times for a total of 4 loops, ch 5, tr in starting sc pull adjustable loop tight. (5 loops total)

**Round 2:** ch 1, sc in ch loop just made, ch 6,{sc in next loop, ch 6} repeat around sl st into first sc. (5 sc, and 5 ch 6 spaces)

**Round 3:** Ch 1 slip st into sp, ch 1, {(3 sc, ch 3, 3 sc) in the 6 ch space} repeat around, sl st into first sc.

**Round 4**: Ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 2 sc,{(2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next ch sp, dc in the next 6 sc,} repeat 3 more times, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc), in next ch sp, dc in the last 3 sc, sl st in first dc. Finish off. Weave in your end.



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#### Putting the motifs together

Making sure as you go that all the motifs are facing the same way (or in other words that the point is facing the same way on all of them.)

Take 2 motifs and put them together backs facing each other and points going the same direction, and sc one side together. Finish off. Repeat this till you have a line of all 5 of the same color pentagons together. Then take the first and last and put them together with a row os sc. to complete the circle of pentagons. Repeat this with the next color.

Now to put the 2 colors together you will match up a point with a dip, and so forth. With the back sides facing each dc will line up with a sc, and each point space matches up with two dip spaces. (I'm sorry that sounds really confusing) SO, Start with sc in the next 10 dc, one sc for the sp or sps, sc in the next 10 dc. Repeat

around, sl st in first sc. Finish off. Weave in you ends.

#### **Bottom of the bag (in white)**

**Round 1:** Make an adjustable loop, ch 3 (counts as first dc here and throughout) make 11 dc in the loop, pull loop tight and sl st into first dc (12 dc)

**Round 2:** Ch 3, dc in same st, 2 dc in each st around, sl st in first dc (24 dc)

**Round 3:** Ch 3, (2 dc in next dc, 1 dc in next dc) repeat around 2 dc in last dc, sl st in first dc. (36)

**Round 4:** Ch 3, 1 dc in the next dc, 2 dc in next dc, {dc in the next 2 dc, 2 dc in the next dc} repeat around, sl st into first dc. (48)

**Round 5:** Ch 3, 1 dc in the next 2 dc, 2 dc in the next dc, {dc in the next 3 dc, 2 dc in the next dc} repeat around, sl st into first dc. (60)

**Round 6:** Ch 3, 1 dc in the next 3 dc, 2 dc in the next dc, {dc in the next 4 dc, 2 dc in the next dc} repeat around, sl st into first dc. Do not finish off (72)



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# Connecting the motifs to the bottom of the bag

With back sides facing each other, sc both pieces together. Dc's should match up with each st and sp.

#### Top of bag (pink

**Round 1:** Joining around the back post of a dc in the white motifs, {bpdc in the next 10 dc, bpdc around the joining st of the 2 motifs,} repeat around, sl st into beginning st.

**Round 2- 4:** Ch 3, dc in each bpdc around, sl st into beginning st. Finnish off weave in your ends.

Sew round 1 to round 4 making a space for the adjustable straps to go.

#### **Straps**

Making a large tail with both colors, form a slip knot and ch 180 ch, or till you have your desired length, finish off leaving a long tail.

With a safety pin work one side of the straps around the top of the bag 1 and a half times, and make the straps even and then tie the long tails at even spots at the bottom of the back of the bag.