



KNITTING PATTERN

Jess

Felted Bag

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MATERIALS

Snowstorm

A: 11 skeins of col. 02

B: 1 skein of col. 04

Circular needles 8mm, 80 cm (US 11, 29")

DPNs 8 mm (US 11)

2 x stitch markers

Decorative bag strap, Hobbii col. Tile

2 x sew on magnetic snap fasteners

Wool needle

YARN QUALITY

 **Snowstorm**, Hobbii

100 % Wool

50 g / 0.1.75 oz = 50 m / 54 yds

GAUGE

11 sts x 16 rows = 10 cm x 10 cm / 4" x 4"

ABBREVIATIONS

CO = Cast on

k = Knit

p = Purl

rep = Repeat

BO = Bind off (Cast Off)

RS = Right side

WS = Wrong side

Beg = begin

PM = place marker

SIZE

One size

MEASUREMENTS

Height: 30 cm / 12"

Width: 30 cm / 12"

Depth: 12 cm / 5"

Bag size before felting

Height: 50 cm / 18.75", Width: 38 cm / 15",

Depth: 17 cm / 6.75"

PATTERN INFORMATION

This old school cool felted shoulderbag is easy to knit and customise. Choose your favourite colours and decorative strap for a personal look.

The bag is knitted back and forth on circular needles as one long strip which is folded. The side gussets are knitted separately and sewn in. The contrast trim is an attached I-Cord, which is knitted onto the flap and bag opening - this technique is fully explained.

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QUESTIONS

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Happy Crafting!

Pattern



Bag

Starting at the bag front

Cast on 47 sts using 8 mm circular needles and Yarn A.

Knit back and forth in stockinette

Row 1-81 Knit in stockinette. Beg with a K row.

Row 82 (WS) Knit (Makes a ridge on RS marking bag base)

Row 83-109 Knit in stockinette. Beg with a K row.

Row 110 (WS) Knit (Makes a ridge on RS marking bag back)

Row 111- 191 Knit in stockinette. Beg with a K row.

Row 192 Knit, PM at each end of row.

Row 193-258 Knit in stockinette. Beg with a K row.

Row 259 BO.

Gussets

Make 2

Cast on 18 sts using 8 mm circular needles and Yarn A.

Knit back and forth in stockinette

Row 1-77 Knit in stockinette. Beg with a K row.

Row 78 -79 Knit two rows.

Row 80 BO.

Attached I-cord Edge

See guide below

Cast on 3 sts using 8mm DPNs and Yarn B.

With WS facing, knit attached I-cord Edge from marked Row 192 along the bag flap edge, the BO edge and the other side of the bag flap to the end of marked Row 192.

Knit another row of I-cord edging along the CO edge.

Pick up and knit 1 I-cord sts into each row or cast-off stitch along the flap sides, edges and bag front edge. If you are in doubt make an extra I-cord stitch as a short edging will pull the bag out of shape.

Make 3 I-cord sts into each corner stitch to create a neat angled edging.

Attached I-cord Edge Guide

Use 2 DPNs. Cast on 3 sts.



* Knit 2 sts then slip the third (last) st as if you were working a purl stitch from the left needle onto the right needle.



With the wrong side, (bumpy side) facing.

Pick up 1 st through the edge of the knitting = 4 sts on the needle.



Pass the slipped stitch back over the new picked up stitch and off the needle = 3 sts on the right hand needle.



Your I-cord is now attached to the edge of the bag.

Without turning the work, slide all 3 sts to the end of the needle passing the yarn around the back of the edging. Place the needle with three stitches on it, in your left hand** you have now completed 1 row.

Repeat from * to ** as directed in the pattern.

To finish, cut the wool and thread it through the last 3sts, pull tight and weave in.



ASSEMBLY

Seaming

Back stitch the seams, one stitch or row in from the edge. This creates a firm external seam which gives the bag shape. The seams are exposed on the right side of the bag.



Image shows top of gusset attached to bag- and placement of I-cord trim (before felting).
With **Wrong Sides** together, pin and back stitch the CO edge of the gusset section, between ridge rows 82 and 109. Align the BO edge of the gusset with the start of the I-cord edge on the front edge Row 1, and with the I-cord edge on the flap of the bag row 192.



Image shows bag with gussets sewn in place ready for felting.

Felting

Wash the bag in the washing machine with an enzyme-free detergent without optical bleach or fabric conditioner. Wash warm on 40C/104. Adding a small towel in the same wash will increase the friction and speed up the felting process. When fully felted the felt will be thick with no visible stitches. The final dimensions should be approx:

Height: 30 cm / 12", Width: 30 cm / 12", Depth: 12 cm / 5".

If your bag is larger, try felting it again.

Finishing

Your bag will need shaping before drying. Expect to take between 5 - 10 minutes shaping your bag. When wet, the felt is pliable and can be eased into shape.

Take your time easing the seams straight and flattening the bag body and flap.

When you are satisfied with the shape of your bag, gently stuff it with plastic bags, then place it in a warm room to dry slowly.

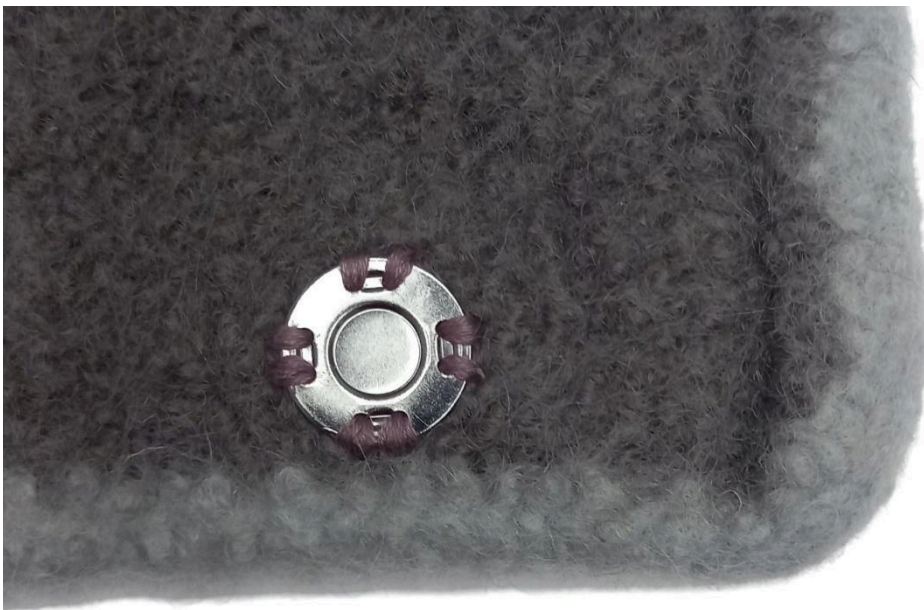
Once your bag is dry, sew on the shoulder strap attachment rings. These are positioned 2cm / 1" down from the top of each gusset.



Sew them into place as shown using Yarn A.



Sew the magnetic snap fasteners (poppers) under the flap and onto the bag front. Use matching embroidery floss. Do not make stitches right through the felt. The felt is thick enough for you to angle the stitches through it sideways as you sew on the poppers.



Position the snap fasteners (poppers) underneath the flap with the middle of the snap fasteners (poppers) 2.5 cm / 1" from the bottom of the flap and 6.5 cm / 2.5" from the side edge.



Position the other half of each snap fastener (popper) on the front of the bag as shown. Approx., 6 cm / 2.25" from the sides and 15 cm / 6" down from the top of the bag. Use pins to help you line the second half of each snap fastener (popper) before sewing into place.

Finally clip on your bag strap and adjust to the length you prefer.

Enjoy using your bag!

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