

STRIPED TOTE

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

Yarn: 10ply cotton yarn – approx. 350metres Main Colour (MC) and 350 metres Contrast Colour (CC),

Needles: (5.5 mm) straight needles

Notions: Yarn needle; two 45cm jute purse handles; scissors; sewing needle; matching thread

Skill Level: Intermediate

Size: Approximately 33cm wide by 23cm tall b

Gauge: 18 sts and 24 rows = 4" [10 cm] in double moss st

SPECIAL STITCHES

Double Seed Stitch Pattern (DSS)

Rows 1-2: *K1, p1; rep from * to end.

Rows 3-4: *P1, k1; rep from * to end.

Rep Rows 1-4 for pattern.



PATTERN

SIDE PANEL (MAKE 2)

With MC, CO 48 sts.

Rows 1-8: Work in DSS. Change to CC.

Rows 9-16: Work in DSS. Change to MC.

Rows 17-24: Work in DSS. Change to CC.

Rows 25-32: Work in DSS. Change to MC.

Rows 33-40: Work in DSS. Change to CC.

Rows 41-48: Work in DSS. Change to MC.

Rows 49-56: Work in DSS.

Bind off in pattern.

FRONT PANEL

With MC and RS of Side Panel facing, pick up and knit 40 sts along side of panel.

Rows 1-8: Work in DSS. Change to CC.

Rows 9-16: Work in DSS. Change to MC.

Rows 17-24: Work in DSS. Change to CC.

Rows 25-32: Work in DSS.

Bind off in pattern.

Repeat for second Side Panel.

BASE

With MC, CO 58 sts.

Work 9 rows in DSS.

Bind off in pattern.

FINISHING

Sew top of Front Panels to opposite Side Panels. Sew base in place.

Sew on handles.

Optional – work one row sc at top of bag. I did this with the Berry for the top of this bag as you can see in the photo. Just join the yarn in any stitch, ch 1 and sc evenly around. Join with a slip st to the first sc. This is totally optional and the bag still looks great without it. Weave in ends.

