

GIRL ABOUT TOWN BAG

I created this bag for my Stashbusters Class, using yarn I don't even know the name of (and wouldn't be available anyway). I asked my 13 yr old daughter what she thought and she said, "cool!" That said I felt confident to share it with all of you!

Happy Knitting,

Joanne

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SIZE:

Approx. 11½" wide and 6" tall.

MATERIALS:

3 x 50g balls KW yarn (approx 110 yds each) in 3 similar colors (I used 1 variegated chenille "Patons Super Chenille") in rose and orange sherbet tones, one salmon pink cotton and one maroon wool)

9mm needles. 6mm double pointed needles.

Lining. Cardboard.

TENSION:

11 sts and 16 rows = 4 ins [10 cm] in Seed St holding 3 strands tog.

INSTRUCTIONS:**Sides:** (make 2)

With 9mm needles and 3 strands held tog, cast on 28 sts.

Proceed as follows:

1st row: (RS) *K1. P1. Rep from * to end.

2nd row: *P1. K1. Rep from * to end.

These 2 rows form Seed St.

Cont in Seed St. until work from beg measures 6 ins [15 cm], ending with RS facing for next row.

Cast off.

Gusset:

With 9mm needles and 3 strands held tog, cast on 12 sts. Work Seed st as given above until work from beginning fits around 3 sides of a side piece, leaving one wide side open. Cast off.

Sew sides to gusset, leaving one wide side open.

Lining:

Cut a piece of cardboard 4.5 ins [11.5] x 9.5 ins [24 cm]. Place inside bag to lie at bottom.

Stitch to secure.

Cut out lining the same size as cardboard plus 2 cm seam allowance and cut lining to match the size of sides and gusset and plus an extra 2 cm seam allowance. Sew lining sides to lining gusset on 3 sides, leaving wide side open. Trim seam allowance. Press seam allowance down to WS at opening. Place in bag and tack lining base to cardboard. Sew lining to bag.



Handles: (make 2)

With double pointed needles and 3 strands held tog, cast on 4 sts. Make I-Cord as follows: Knit 4 sts, then without turning work, slide the sts to the right end of needle. Knit these 4 sts again, pulling yarn to tighten. Cont until I-cord measures 20 ins [51 cm]. Fasten off. Attached I-cord to bag, turning ends out and tucking in to form curl.

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If you like this pattern, you will like Joanne's book,
"Twelve Months of Knitting"
(Potter Craft)

