



Just A Little Purse

Large purses, though roomy, tend to become cluttered and in need of a little order.

Whether to encase your iPhone or your eye glasses, this little purse may just help to organize a behemoth of a bag.

It's a quick project to knit in seed stitch using worsted weight yarn. The Celtic Heart Knot is completed from a length of knitted I-Cord.

Lined with some fancy fabric and closed with a snap fastener, this handy purse will keep treasures safe and organized.

SKILL LEVEL

Beginner

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Width x Height (approximate)
(4 x 7)/(10 x 18)cm

GAUGE

17.5 sts x 34 rows = 10cm (4") over seed stitch pattern.

MATERIALS

Worsted weight yarn, 80yd/75m
One pair size 4mm (US6/CAN8) needles, OR SIZE TO OBTAIN GAUGE
One pair double-pointed needles, size 4mm (US6/CAN8)
Stitch holder
Fabric for lining, 1/3yd/0.3m
Sewing needle and thread
1 snap fastener, 1/2"/12mm

GLOSSARY

Cast on

Cast on one stitch to left-hand needle at the beginning of the row. Include this cast-on stitch in the knitting directions for the row.

Inc 1 knit

Knit into the front and back of stitch to make one stitch.

Inc 1 purl

Purl into the front and back of stitch to make one stitch.

PATTERN STITCHES

Seed Stitch (odd number of stitches)

Row 1 (RS) *K1, p1; rep from *, end k1.
Rep Row 1 for Seed Stitch Pattern.

I-Cord

With double-pointed needles, cast on 4 sts.

*K4. Do not turn. Slide stitches to the right end of the needle. Rep from * until desired length of the cord is completed.

PURSE**Flap**

Cast on 1 st.

Row 1 (RS) K1.

Row 2 Cast on 1 st, p1, k1—2 sts.

Row 3 Cast on 1 st, p1, k1, p1—3 sts.

Row 4 P1, k1, p1.

Row 5 Cast on 1 st, k1, p1, k1, inc 1 purl—5 sts.

Row 6 *K1, p1; rep from *, end k1.

Row 7 As Row 6.

Row 8 As Row 6.

Row 9 Cast on 1 st, *p1, k1; rep from * to last 2 sts, p1, inc 1 knit—7 sts.

Row 10 *P1, k1; rep from *, end p1.

Row 11 As Row 10.

Row 12 As Row 10.

Row 13 Cast on 1 st, *k1, p1; rep from * to last 2 sts, k1, inc 1 purl—9 sts.

Rows 14-20 Rep Rows 6-12—11 sts.

Row 21 As Row 13—13 sts.

Rows 22-28 Rep Rows 6-12—15 sts.

Row 29 As Row 13—17 sts.

Rows 30-32 Rep Rows 6-8.

Purse Back and Front Section

Cont to work even in seed stitch pattern until piece measures 14"/36cm from finish of flap section, ending with a WS row.

Next Row (RS) Bind off all sts in knit stitch.

FINISHING**Purse Lining**

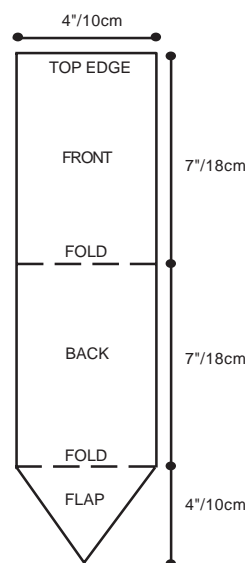
Cut two pieces of lining fabric in same measurements as knitted purse section, plus 1/2"/12mm on all edges for seaming. With right sides facing, join the two pieces of lining on flap and side edges. Turn lining section to right side. Fold remaining seam of lining to inside and stitch closed. With needle and thread, join lining to wrong side of knitted purse section on all edges with a small slip stitch.

Celtic Heart Knot

Knit an I-Cord to 20"/50cm in length. Place the 4 sts on stitch holder, allowing the cord length to be adjusted if necessary after the Celtic Heart Knot has been completed. Follow the instructions outlined here to complete the Celtic Heart Knot.

[Celtic Heart Knot Instructions](#)

Position the Celtic Heart Knot on RS of purse at center point of purse flap, with lengths of I-Cord placed along flap edges. Join cording and knot to purse flap. Fold purse along fold lines as indicated on diagram. On RS of purse, using yarn, join the side edges with an overcast stitch. Sew on snap fastener. ❖

PURSE DIAGRAM**ABBREVIATIONS**

beg	begin(s)(ing)
cont	continue(s)(ing)
cm	centimeter
inc	increase
K (k)	knit
LH	left-hand
m	meter
mm	millimeter
P (p)	purl
rep	repeat(s)(ing)
RS	right side(s)
st(s)	stitch(es)
WS	wrong side(S)
yd	yard
*	repeat direction following * as many times as indicated

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