



 **KNIT | SKILL LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE**

ABBREVIATIONS

Alt = Alternate(ing)

Approx = Approximate(ly)

Beg = Begin(ning)

Dec = Decrease(ing)

K = Knit

K2tog = Knit next 2 stitches together

M1P = Make 1 stitch by picking up horizontal loop lying before next stitch and purling into back of loop.

P = Purl

P2tog = Purl next 2 stitches together

Pat = Pattern

Rem = Remain(ing)

Rep = Repeat

Rnd(s) = Round(s)

Sl1Pwyib = Slip next stitch purlwise with yarn in back of work

Sl1Pwyif = Slip next stitch purlwise with yarn in front of work

Ssk = Slip next 2 stitches knitwise one at a time. Pass them back onto left-hand needle, then knit through back loops together

St(s) = Stitch(es)

MEASUREMENTS

Approx 10" [25.5 cm] wide by 12" [30.5 cm] tall.

GAUGES

16 sts and 24 rows = 4" [10 cm] in Fabric Stitch Pat with larger needles.

16 sts and 24 rows = 4" [10 cm] in stocking st with smaller needles.

INSTRUCTIONS

Note: Color results may vary. Beg at top, with larger set of needles, cast on 80 sts. Divide sts onto 3 needles. Join for working in rnd, placing marker at first st.

Drawstring Casing

Note: Drawstring casing is formed following rnds below, which create a double layer fabric.

1st rnd: Knit.

2nd rnd: *K1. Sl1Pwyif. Rep from * around.

MATERIALS

Bernat® Maker Home Dec™ (8.8 oz/250 g; 317 yds /290 m) Fiesta Varg (11014) **1 ball**

Set of 4 sizes U.S. 11 (8 mm) and U.S. 10 (6 mm) double-pointed knitting needles **or size needed to obtain gauge.** Stitch marker. Approx 1 yd [91.5 cm] leather lacing for drawstring. Purchased leather strap 28" [71 cm] long.

3rd rnd: *Sl1Pwyib. P1. Rep from around.

Rep last 2 rnds until work from beg measures approx 2" [5 cm], ending on a 3rd rnd.

Next rnd: Purl to last 2 sts. P2tog. 79 sts.

Proceed in Fabric Stitch Pat as follows:

1st rnd: Sl1Pwyif. *K1. Sl1Pwyif. Rep from * around.

2nd rnd: K1. *Sl1Pwyif. K1. Rep from * around.

Rep last 2 rnds until work from beg measures 12" [30.5 cm].

Next rnd: P1. M1P. Purl to end of row. 80 sts.

Change to smaller needles and dec for base as follows:

1st rnd: *ssk. K16. K2tog. Rep from * around. 72 sts.

2nd and alt rnds: Knit.

3rd rnd: *ssk. K14. K2tog. Rep from * around. 64 sts.

5th rnd: *ssk. K12. K2tog. Rep from * around. 56 sts.

7th rnd: *ssk. K10. K2tog. Rep from * around. 48 sts.

9th rnd: *ssk. K8. K2tog. Rep from * around. 40 sts.

11th rnd: *ssk. K6. K2tog. Rep from * around. 32 sts.

13th rnd: *ssk. K4. K2tog. Rep from * around. 24 sts.

14th rnd: *K2tog. Rep from * around. 12 sts.

Break yarn leaving a long end. Thread end through rem sts and fasten securely.

FINISHING

Thread length of leather lacing through Drawstring Casing as shown in picture. Trim to desired length.

Tassels (make 2)

Cut a piece of cardboard 4" [10 cm] wide. Wind yarn around cardboard 20 times. Break yarn leaving a long end and thread end through needle. Slip needle through all loops and tie tightly. Remove cardboard and wind yarn tightly around loops 1" [2.5 cm] below fold. Fasten securely. Cut through rem loops and trim ends evenly. Sew one Tassel to each end of leather lacing as seen in picture.

Strap

Sew one end of leather Strap to inside of Tote at bottom of casing. Sew opposite end of Strap to side of Tote at Base as seen in picture.

