

## SUPPLIES NEEDED

**Yarn:** 550 yards DK yarn (MC)

**Needles:** 24" US 15 circular needles and US 13 double pointed needles.

**Gauge to Achieve Similar Size:** DK: 3 ½ st/inch, 6 rounds/inch – 2 strands held together. (Final size will vary depending on yarn, felting process and hot water temperature.)

**Approximate Final Size:** Height 10" - width 13". Knitting and felting a swatch for your yarn is recommended.

**Other Optional Supplies:** Plastic or Wooden Handles (in lieu of I-Cord Strap).

## Abbreviations:

pssso	pass slipped stitch over
wyib	with yarn in back
wyif	with yarn in front
k2tog	knit 2 stitches together
s	Slip stitch
st	stitch

## Slip Stitch Pattern

Rnd 1: Knit round

Rnd 2: Purl round

Rnd 3: \*K1, S1 wyif\* round

Rnd 4: \*P1, S1 wyib\* round



**Bag Body Base:** With 2 strands MC and size 15 circular needles, cast on 41 stitches. Knit 9 rows. To form the body, keep original 41 stitches on needle and pickup 9 stitches on the short side, 41 stitches on the long side and then 9 stitches other short side. Total of 100 stitches. Join round and place marker. Purl one round before beginning slip stitch pattern. Complete 24 rounds using the slip stitch pattern.

Decrease Rounds --

Rnd 1: (first round of slip stitch pattern) – k19, s1, k2tog, pss0, k47, s1, k2tog, pss0, k28 – 96 st

Rnd 2: Purl (P) round

Rnd 3: \*K1, S1 wyif\*

Rnd 4: \*P1, S1 wyib\*

Rnd 5: k18, s1, k2tog, pss0, k45, s1, k2tog, pss0, k27 – 92 st

Rnd 6: Purl (P) around

Rnd 7: \*K1, S1 wyif\*

Rnd 8: \*P1, S1 wyib\*

Rnd 9: k17, s1, k2tog, pss0, k43, s1, k2tog, pss0, k26 – 88 st

Rnd 10: Purl (P) around

Rnd 11: \*K1, S1 wyif\*

Rnd 12: \*P1, S1 wyib\*

Rnd 13: k16, s1, k2tog, pss0, k41, s1, k2tog, pss0, k25 – 84 st

Rnd 14: Purl (P) around

Rnd 15: \*K1, S1 wyif\*

Rnd 16: \*P1, S1 wyib\*

Rnd 17: k15, s1, k2tog, pss0, k39, s1, k2tog, pss0, k24 – 80 st

Rnd 18: Purl (P) around

Rnd 19: \*K1, S1 wyif\*

Rnd 20: \*P1, S1 wyib\*

Rnd 21: k14, s1, k2tog, pss0, k37, s1, k2tog, pss0, k23 – 76 st

Rnd 22: Purl (P) around

Rnd 23: \*K1, S1 wyif\*

Rnd 24: \*P1, S1 wyib\*

Rnd 25: k13, s1, k2tog, pss0, k35, s1, k2tog, pss0, k22 – 72 st

Rnd 26: Purl (P) around

Rnd 27: \*K1, S1 wyif\*

Rnd 28: \*P1, S1 wyib\*

Rnd 29: k12, s1, k2tog, pss0, k33, s1, k2tog, pss0, k21 – 68 st

Rnd 30: Purl (P) around

Rnd 31: \*K1, S1 wyif\*

Rnd 32: \*P1, S1 wyib\*

Rnd 33: k11, s1, k2tog, pss0, k31, s1, k2tog, pss0, k20 – 64 st

Rnd 34: Purl (P) around

Rnd 35: \*K1, S1 wyif\*

Rnd 36: \*P1, S1 wyib\*

Rnd 37 - 38, K and then bind-off. Turn inside out and the wrong side is now the right side.

**I-Cord Strap (skip this step if using plastic or wooden handle option):** For the strap: Use size 13 needles, cast on 4 stitches with 2-strands black. Knit. DO NOT turn work, slide stitches to the other end of the needle and knit the stitches, carrying the yarn across the back to create a tube. Continue until 50 inches long and bind off. For the loop: Use size 13 needles, cast on 4 stitches with 2-strands

black. Knit. DO NOT turn work, slide stitches to the other end of the needle and knit the stitches, carrying the yarn across the back to create a tube. Continue until 4 inches long and bind off. You will attach the strap and loop AFTER they have been felted.

**Felting and Finishing:** Place bag and strap into zippered pillowcases, toss a Shout Colorcatcher into pillowcase. Place pillowcase in the washing machine with heavy items. Add ¼ c. vinegar to each wash cycle, along with some soap. Wash on the hot wash cold rinse cycle. Check after each wash to determine size and change Colorcatcher sheet. May take 3-4 trips through the wash to achieve desired felting. The strap may felt faster than the bag. Sizes will vary depending upon yarn, number of cycles through washing machine and water temperature. Our bag models are washed in hot water which is 130 degrees. To finish, shape bag into desired shape and dry flat. Make sure the strap is not twisted and dry straight.

**Attaching I-Cord Strap:** When dry, sew the two ends of the long strap together and then center the strap in the middle of the inside of the back of the bag. Sew strap to bag. Sew the two ends of the short strap together form a loop and center directly across of the strap. Sew to the inside of the bag front.

**Attaching Optional Plastic Handles in lieu of I-Cord Strap:** Center plastic or wooden handles inside the bag and sew to bag, taking care that the sewing stitches don't show on the outside of the bag. Handles used in model from Clover – U-shape black – part no. 6324. You may want to purchase the handles after you felt the bag, so that you can determine the correct width for the handles.



**Yarn Used:** Jo Sharp DK for blue felted bag and Peace Fleeces Aran for felted bag with black handles.

**Bag Name:** Wotton is a village in the English Cotswolds. Wotton was a centre for the woolen industries in earlier times with many mills located there. [Click here to learn more about Wotton.](#)

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