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Bag-Bag



Sometimes you just need a plastic bag, whether you're carrying something in the rain, shopping for mucky veg or walking the dog. The bag-bag is a pouch for compacting and holding plastic bags for times of need.

You will need:

scraps of double knit yarn • 3.25mm knitting needles • tapestry needle • scissors

Pattern:

Cast on 17 stitches.

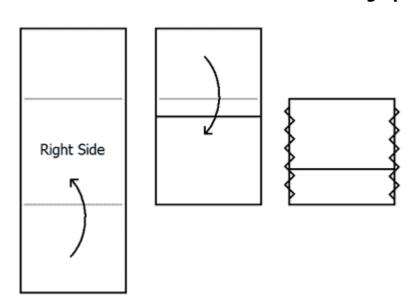
Row 1: k – Row 2: k –

Row 3: k1, [sl1, k1] x 8

Row 4: k1, [yfwd, sl1, ybck, k1] x 8

Repeat these rows 20 more times (84 rows total) and cast off.

Making Up:



With the right side up fold the ends of the knitting inwards as the diagram shows. Sew together the sides making sure to pierce all three layers of knitting. Don't worry about being neat because the next step is to turn the bag-bag right-side out.

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Make a short loop of yarn (use finger-knitting for a more hard-wearing loop). Thread opposite ends through either side of one corner, and knot on the inside.

Variations:

The bag-bag pattern is worked in a slipped garter stitch which can look very different depending on how many and how often the colours changes are.

Some variations to try:

- Two colours change after row 2 and row 4.
- Three colours 1 change every two rows, as above.
- Three colours 2 change every row.

Notes:

Abbreviations

[] **x number** Repeat the section in square brackets the required number of times.

k number Knit this number of stitches.

sl number Slip this number of stitches purl wise.

sts Stitches.

yfwd Bring the yarn to the front of the knitting (+1 stitch if followed by a knit).

ybck Take the yarn to the back of the knitting.

Needle/Yarn Size

As with most ODDknit patterns the yarn and needle sizes in the "you will need" section are just a guide. Feel free to improvise with whatever needles and yarn you have lying around - that's half the fun!