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Soft Loop Knit Bag (Finger Knitting)

with YouTube Help Video

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My daughter Sarah and I have been enjoying the loop yarn that is available on the market. The yarn allows you to easily finger knit practically anything, including this handbag. This is a simple design that works great for anyone. Check out the how-to video on my daughter's YouTube channel here: https://youtube.com/reviewsbysarah And feel free to Pin photos or check out other info at: https://naztazia.com

Materials:

1 ball Loop-It yarn by Red Heart. 7.6 yds/ 7 m. Sample color – Gr 8. Scissors.

Optional button, craft felt for lining, handles. Visit http://naztazia.com for supply info.

Size/Gauge

Width = 12" Length = 9". Gauge: 5.5 stitches and 4 rows = 4" sq.

Terminology:

No abbreviations for this pattern

Instructions:

Watch the YouTube tutorial video here Look for "Soft Loop Knit Bag."

Row 1: Find the end of the loop yarn. Lay 18 loops out flat on the table. Insert Loop #19 into Loop #18. Insert Loop #20 into Loop #17. Insert the next loop from the yarn strand into Loop #16. Repeat until all 18 loops have had a loop inserted into them.

Row 2: Working in the other direction now, use the next loop from the yarn strand. Insert this loop into the loop you just completed from Row 1. Use the next loop from the yarn strand and insert this loop into the next loop. Continue with this process across the row.

Repeat Row 2 until you have completed 18 rows. You can adjust the height of the bag by adding more or less rows.

Bind off: From the yarn strand, insert the next loop into the loop just completed (we will refer to this new loop as Loop A). From the yarn strand, insert the next loop into the next loop (new Loop B). Insert Loop B into Loop A. From the yarn strand, insert the next loop into the next loop (new Loop C). Insert Loop C into Loop B. Continue in this pattern until 1 loop remains.

When one loop remains, cut the yarn after about 20 loops. Insert the remainder of the yarn strand through the loop and pull through to tighten.

A thread is located at the bottom center of each of the 20 or so free loops, which is what creates the loops in the yarn. Cut this thread for this loop and all remaining loops. This will create a long, straight strand of yarn. Fold the bag in half and use this strand to finger sew the seam. Once completed, cut another strand of yarn with 20 loops and straighten them. Use this strand to finger sew the other side seam. Weave in all ends on the inside of the handbag. Sew on the handles or use clip-on handles. You can sew a button on the front of the bag if you wish. A hair elastic can be sewn on the back side and used as the button's closure. An easy lining option is craft felt. Cut and measure a lining that is a half-inch smaller than the inside dimension of the handbag. Sew this lining to the inside of the purse, or if you prefer, hot glue the lining instead.



