



"Half Moon" Bag

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Dimensions:**Gauge:**

10cm = 8 stitches worked in garter stitch, measured after being blocked

Level: Easy**Materials:**

Yarn: Naturalia Jaspé by Borgo de'Pazzi (100% wool – 200 g +/- 120m): 400 gr. (2 skeins). Color var. 11.

12 mm circular needles with 80 cm cable.

Row counter, waste yarn, tapestry needle. 2 buttons of your choice, 1 magnet button.

Stitches&Abbreviations:

k: knit

p: purl.

Ssk1pss0: Slip 2 stitches as if to knit them together, knit the next stitch, pass the two slipped stitches over the knitted one

k2tog: knit 2 stitches together

Ssk: slip slip knit together from the back loop

Garter st: K accross all rows

Special techniques:

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On the wrong side of the work, work till you reach the stitch which needs to be wrapped, put the yarn on the back side of the work, slip 1 stitch onto the right needle as you were purling it, put the yarn on the front side of the work, slip back the stitch onto the left needle and turn your work; go on working in the opposite direction.

How to work wrapped stitches:

On the right side of the work: lift the wrapping yarn from the front side of the work, put it onto the left needle and knit the yarn and the stitch together.

On the wrong side of the work: lift the wrapping yarn from the back side of the work and put it onto the left needle and purl the yarn and the stitch together.

Helping video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G4GxFvi4KD0>

INSTRUCTIONS

The bag is realized in one piece starting from the bellows base. The shoulder strap is worked afterwards

Base:

Using your preferred provisional cast on and a waste yarn, cast on 84 stitches, then work as follows with Naturalia Jaspé:

Row 1: k3, p78, k3.

Row 2: k.

Row 3: k3, p75, w&t.

Row 4: k72, w&t.

Row 5: p64, w&t.

Row 6: k56, w&t.

Row 7: p67, k3.

Row 8 e 9: k.

Front part:

Row 1 & 3: k.

Row 2 & 4: k3, p78, k3.

Row 5: k3, ssk, *k8, 1ssk1psso*, repeat from * to * 6 times, k8, k2tog, k3.

Row 6 & 8: k3, p64, k3.

Row 7: k.

Row 9: k3, ssk, *k6, 1ssk1psso*, repeat from * to * 6 times, k6, k2tog, k3.

Row 10 & 12: k3, p50, k3.

Row 11: k.

Row 13: k3, ssk, *k4, 1ssk1psso*, repeat from * to * 6 times, k4, k2tog, k3.

Row 14 & 16: k3, p36, k3.

Row 15: k.

Row 17: k3, ssk, *k2, 1ssk1psso*, repeat from * to * 6 times, k2, k2tog, k3.

Row 18 & 20: k3, p22, k3.

Row 19: k.

Row 21: k3, ssk, *1ssk1psso*, repeat from * to * 6 times, k2tog, k3.

Row 22: k3, p8, k3.

Row 23: k2, ssk, *1ssk1psso*, repeat from * to * 2 times, k2tog, k2.

Row 24: k2, k2tog, ssk, k2.

Cut the yarn, pass it through the 6 remaining stitches, pull it tight and fix it.

Back part:

Unthread the yarn of the provisional cast on and put on the needle the 84 stitches. Knit 2 rows on the right and on the wrong side of the, then continue working in the same way of the front part starting from row 1.

Shoulder strap (2pieces, one long and one short):

Cast on 50 stitches and work 5 rows in garter stitch. Bind off all stitches during row 6.

Cast on 22 stitches and work 5 rows in garter stitch. Bind off all stitches during row 6.

Finishing:

Sew the straps on the right and left side of the bag.

Sew a magnet button inside the bag in the centre.

Sew the remaining two buttons in the centre under the garter edge.