

VICTORIA

KNITTED BAG

Pattern by Knitwise



Approx. size:

27cm wide

20cm high

7cm deep

Material used:

4.5mm knitting needles

crochet hook

Phildar Sport'Laine (16sts = 10cm)

Jaeger Siena 4 ply

1 metre of black satin ribbon

beads

! / 2 metre of cotton fabric for lining

1 button

Diamond Brocade:

1st row – K4, *p1, k7, rep from * to last 5 sts, p1. k4.

2nd row – p3, *k1, p1, k1, p5, rep from * to last 6 sts, k1, p1, k1, p3.

3rd row – k2, *p1, k3, rep from * to last 3 sts, p1, k2.

4th row – p1, *k1, p5, k1, p1, rep from * to end

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5th row - *p1, k7, rep from * to last st, p1
6th row – as 4th row
7th row – as 3rd row
8th row – as 2nd row

Instructions:

- With Phildar yarn and 4.5mm needles cast on 49 sts and work 7 repeats of the Diamond Brocade pattern, work 4 rows in Moss st and cast off. Make two. (front and back of the bag).
- For the bottom, cast on 13 sts and work in Moss st until length matches the width of the front, cast off.
- For the sides, cast on 13 sts and work in Moss st for 4 rows. Next row, work 3 sts, yo, work 2tog, work in Moss st to last 3 sts, yo, work 2 tog, work 1 st. This makes the two eyelets for the ribbon. Continue in Moss st till the length matches the height of the front. Make two.
- For the handles, cast on 7 sts and work in Moss st for 50cm (or longer if preferred). Make two.
- Sew front, bottom, back and sides, wrong sides together to give the bag a “boxy” look.
- Cut two strips in the fabric as long as the handles but wider. Fold the fabric on both sides lengthwise to fit the width of the handles. With wrong sides together, machine stitch on both sides.
- Pin and machine stitch handles on the bag. I have positioned the handles to line up with the second diamond from each side.
- Sew the button in the middle top of the front.
- With the crochet hook and the Siena Cotton, starting from one side, make a row of dc all around the top, when you reach the middle of the back, make a few chain sts to form the loop that will hold the button (not too tight or too loose), one dc as close as possible to the last dc and carry on with the dc to finish the round. Next row, make the picot edge: 1ch (doesn't count as st), 1 dc into first dc, *3ch, ss to 3rd ch from hook, 1dc into same place as last dc, 1 dc into next two dc, rep from *. When you reach the loop formed by the chain sts, make 1dc in each chain st, picot to end, cast off.
- For the lining, cut front, back, bottom and sides the same size as bag plus turning ease at the top. Sew inside pocket (s) if desired. Sew pieces with right sides facing. Fold and press the top. Cut ribbon in two equal pieces and machine stitch on the sides of the lining at the same level as the eyelets on the knitted bag. Insert lining inside bag and pull the ribbon through the eyelets. Pin the lining and sew along the bottom edge of the picot border. Use small and very close stitches.
- Tie a bow with the side ribbons.
- I have also secured the lining to the bottom of the bag by a few random stitches.

I hope you will enjoy making this bag as much as I did!

If you make this bag, I would love to hear about it and see your very own version of Victoria.

Please email me at: davis@cfd.fsnet.co.uk.

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