# DELUXE WORSTED VOLUME I: FELTED BAGS & WINTER ACCESSORIES



# Felted Flat Bottom Tote

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## **Finished Measurements**

Length, felted: 17½" Width, felted: 10" Depth, felted: 5"

## **Materials**

Yarn: Deluxe Worsted by Universal Yarn (100% wool; 100g/220 yds)

- 31953 Neutral Grey 10 skeins (MC)
- 12235 Sidewalk Grey 3 skeins (CC)

Needles: US Size 8 (5.0 mm) straight needles

OR SIZE TO OBTAIN GAUGE

Notions: stitch markers, tapestry needle

## Gauge

15 sts x 18 rows = 4" in St st SAVE TIME, CHECK YOUR GAUGE

# TOTE

#### Base

With MC, cast on 70 sts. Purl 1 WS row. Work even in St st until piece measures  $16\frac{1}{2}$ ", ending after a WS row. Bind off all sts loosely.

#### **Short Sides**

With RS facing and MC, pick up and knit 75 sts along side edge of base. Purl 1 WS row. Work even in St st until piece measures 31" from pick-up, ending after a WS row. Bind off all sts loosely. Rep for other side.

# **Long Sides**

With RS facing, cast on edge and MC, pick up 60 sts as foll: sk 5 sts, pick up and knit 60 sts leaving last 5 sts unworked, turn. Purl 1 WS row. Work even in St st until piece measures 31" from pick-up, ending after a WS row. Bind off all sts loosely. Rep for bound off edge.

# Handles (Make 2)

With CC, cast on 5 sts. Purl 1 WS row. Inc row (RS): K1, m1, knit to last st, end m1, k1 – 2 sts inc'd. Work even in St st for 5 rows. Rep these 6 rows, 5 more times – 17 sts. Rep inc row. Work even in St st for 6 rows. Inc row (WS): P1, m1, purl to last st, end m1, p1 – 2 sts inc'd. Work even in St st for 6 rows. Rep these 14 rows, 5 more times – 41 sts. Work even in St st until piece measures 54½" from cast on, ending after a WS row. Dec row (RS): K1, ssk, knit to last 3 sts, end k2tog, k1 – 2 sts dec'd. Work even in St st for 6 rows. Dec row (WS): P1, p2tog, purl to last 3 sts, end p2togtbl, p1 – 2 sts dec'd. Rep these 14 rows, 5 more times – 17 sts. Rep Dec row (RS). Work even in St st for 5 rows. Rep these 6 rows, 5 more times – 5 sts. Work even in St st for 5 more rows. Bind off all sts loosely.



### **FINISHING**

With RS facing, match cast on row of handle to skipped sts at long side. With CC, whipstitch into place, being careful not to twist handle, and stitching cast on and bind off rows to skipped stitches at base. With CC, whipstitch sides of handle along edges to top of purse. With CC, flatten rows at arc of handle and whipstitch rows into a tube.

Repeat for second handle.

Weave in all ends and felt to finished size.