Rectangle Scarf or Bag By Stana D. Sortor





Finished Measurements:

Scarf: 69" (175 cm) long and 7" (18 cm) wide.

Bag: 7" (18 cm) wide x 5" (13 cm) tall.

Yarn:

Caron Cakes, Medium Worsted (80% Acrylic, 20% Wool; 383 yards (350 meters) / 7.1oz (200 grams) 1 skein for each project.

Recommended Needle Size: US 8 (5 mm), or size to obtain gauge.

Notions: Yarn needle, scissors, two buttons for the bag.

Gauge: 18 sts & 24 rows = 4" in garter stitch.

Abbreviations:

St = Stitch

Sts = Stitches

Sl. $\mathbf{St.}$ = slipped stitch

 $\mathbf{K} = Knit$

 $\mathbf{P} = \text{Purl}$

DPN = Double Pointed Needles

CO = Cast On

PM = Place marker

Note:

This is a good project for those who wants to learn to knit. The shape is basically a rectangle. For a scarf, you will use an entire skein of yarn, for the bag you will use only a part of the skein of yarn.

The edge on scarf is achieved by not working the last stitch in each row, but rather slip it from left to right needle without knitting it.

The two button closures for the bag are created with I-cord and sewn on after the bag sides are sewn together and the two buttons are sewn on the front side of the bag.

Technique:

Cast on: Use your preferred method for cast on (long tail, knit cast on, backloop cast on).

Here is a link to one of the videos:

https://www.knittinghelp.com/videos/cast-on

Bind off: Use your preferred method for bind off.

Here is a link to one of the videos:

https://www.knittinghelp.com/videos/binding-off

I-cord:

Cast on 3 sts.

K3. Return 3 sts back onto left needle.

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Repeat this step until you have the required length of I-cord.

Bind off.

Here is a link to one of the videos:

https://www.purlsoho.com/create/i-cord/

If you are not sure how to do any of the techniques, I have found very useful the book <u>Cast On, Bind Off</u> by Leslie Ann Bestor.

There are also plenty of YouTube videos. I have provided links to some of the videos.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Scarf or Bag:

Using your preferred method CO 30 sts. Place the stitch marker on the first st.

All Rows: K29, S1. St.

Bind off after you have reached desired length of 12" (30 cm) for the bag, 69" (175 cm) for the scarf, or when you feel the scarf is long enough.

Button Loop (make 2):

CO 3 sts. Work I-cord approximately 2" (5cm) long. Bind off.

Finishing:

Scarf:

Weave in ends, wash and block to finished measurements.

Bag:

Fold the rectangle, leaving approximately 2.5 "(7 cm) for the flap. Turn the work inside out and sew together the two edges along the sides. Turn the work right side out. Sew the two button loops to the flap edge. Sew the two buttons to the front of the bag. Weave in ends, wash and block to finished measurements.

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