

#127
Radiance Cable Bag



Finished measurement: 8 inches wide by 8 .5 inches long. Strap measures 30" long.

Materials: Valley Yarns Colrain, 50%

Mernio/50%tencel 109yards/50gm ball.

2 skeins natural

Assorted stitch markers

Size US 7 16" circular needles or size needed to obtain gauge

Two US 7 six-inch dpn for attached I-cord and I-cord shoulder strap.

Cable needle

1 yard of coordinating cotton fabric

Hand sewing thread to match

Hand sewing needle

Gauge: 18stsx22rows=4inches in st st

Knitting Skill Level: Intermediate

Body of bag: With US 8 circular needles, cast on 82 stitches. Begin following directions for cable pattern. Follow directions until piece measures 8 inches in length. Do not bind off. Work attached I-cord around top of bag as follows: With the completed work still on the circular needle, cast on 3 stitches, placing them on the circular needle. Now using a dpn, knit 2 of these newly cast on stitches, then SSK with last stitch of cast on stitches and first stitch of bag top. Transfer those three newly knit stitches back to your circular needle as if to purl. *Using a dpn, Knit 2, SSK, transfer these three stitches back to your circular Repeat from * until 3 stitches remain. Now work on these three stitches in I-cord until shoulder strap is 30 inches long or desired length.

Written directions for cable pattern:

Foundation round: work only once, and place markers where indicated. *P4, pm, k1, p1, k1, pm, p2, pm, k8, pm, p2, pm, k1, p1, k1, pm, p2, pm, k8, pm, p2, pm, k1, p1, k1, pm, p4. Rep from * to beginning of round. Continue following rows below, sliding markers as you come to them. As the pattern develops you may wish to remove markers.

Round 1: *p4, sl1, p1, sl1, p2, k8, p2, sl1, p1, sl1, p2, k8, p2, sl1, p1, sl1, p4. Rep from * to beginning of round.

Round 2 and all even numbered rows: *p4, k1, p1, k1, p2, k8, p2, k1, p1, k1, p2, k8, p2, k1, p1, k1, p4. Rep from * around

Round 3:

*P4, sl1, p1, sl1, p2, k2, yo, place 2 sts on cn, hold to front, K2 tog from cn, yo, k2, p2, sl1, p1, sl1, p2, k2, yo, place 2 sts on cn, hold to front, K2 tog,

K2tog from cn, yo, k2, p2, sl1, p1, sl1, p4. Rep from * to beginning of round.

Round 5: *p4, sl1, p1, sl1, p2, k8, p2, sl1, p1, sl1, p2, k8, p2, sl1, p1, sl1, p4. Rep from * to beginning of round.

Round 7: *p4, sl1, p1, sl1, p2, place 2 sts on cn and hold to front. K1, k2 from cn.k2, s1 to cn, hold to back, k2, k1 from cn, p2, sl1, p1, sl1, p2, place 2 sts on cn and hold to front. K1, k2 from cn.k2, sl1 to cn, hold to back, k2, k1 from cn, p2, sl1, p1, sl1, p4. Rep from * to beginning of round.

Round 9: *p4, sl1, p1, sl1, p2, k1, Place 2 sts on cn, hold to front. K1, k2 from cn. Place next st on CN, hold to back. K2, K1 from cn, k1, p2, sl1, p1, sl1, p2, k1, Place 2 sts on cn, hold to front. K1,k2 from cn. Place next st on CN, hold to back. K2, K1 from cn, k1, p2, sl1, p1, sl1, p4. Rep from * to beginning of round.

Finishing:

Using mattress stitch, close the bottom of the knitted bag. Run in all yarn ends, and attach loose end of strap to bag where desired. Block bag by soaking in warm water and laying flat to dry. Wash, dry and press your fabric lining as recommended by manufacturer. Lay the dried bag flat on a table and measure the dimensions of the bag. Cut a piece of fabric that measures the length of the bag plus 1" by the width of the bag times two plus one inch for a seam (9"x17" if your bag measures the same as the original! Adjust that number if you made the bag wider or deeper). With the right sides of the fabric together, sew side and bottom seams of bag by machine or by hand leaving a 1/2 inch seam allowance. Do not turn the lining – it slides into the bag with the wrong side of the fabric to the inside of the knitted bag. Turn a 1/2 inch top hem of the fabric bag to the outside and press lightly with a warm iron to mark a crease. Slide the fabric lining into the knitted bag, and pin lining in place evenly around the knitted bag. Hand stitch using whip stitch around the top of the lining, attaching it to the bag. Using your hand sewing needle and thread, tack the bottom corners of the lining to the bottom corners of the knitted bag.

Standard Abbreviations:

St st – stockinette stitch

K – knit

P – purl

Sl - slip

K2tog – knit two together

SSK – slip, slip, knit

CN – cable needle

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