

Red Barn Yarn

Diva Designs, Clutch Bag #2

The Diva Bundles are tidy little assortments of 10 yards each of 7 different colors of our yarn, including one, possibly two fancy yarns. Diva Bundles are just enough to use for braids, tassels, embellishments and these quick little purses. This second bag idea is made using one mitered square. We rounded up an old pair of jeans and some “found objects” from the sewing room, for this one, and voila, a fun little bag. Make it fancy, sporty, or somewhere in between, to your needs.

Mitered Square: Using size 9 or 10 needles, cast on 59 stitches, mark the center stitch. Knit back.

On every right side row, knit to within 1 stitch of the center, slip that stitch, K2 tog, PSSO, Knit to end

On every wrong side row, knit.

Continue to complete the square, and bind off.

Then construct in to a purse as desired. We like to line the bags, and like to use the plastic needlepoint canvas on one or both sides, between the lining and the purse itself for stability, and improved wearability. Consider interfacing your lining fabric with a very lightweight, iron on interfacing for the best results.

For this bag, we made the finished back of the purse to match the front, and topstitched the front to the back, slipped in the plastic canvas on the front side only, and slipped in the lining, also topstitching in place. The tab closure, (part of the jeans waistband with the buttonhole) was positioned at that time.

Photos of all diva bags are posted on our website. As always, please call us or email us if you have any questions or need more information. Happy Knitting, Catherine

Abbreviations:

K	Knit
P	Purl
PSSO	Pass slipped stitch over
K2tog	Knit two together

Block using your preferred wool wash, follow product instructions. Lay flat to dry, making sure that edges are true and straight.

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