

METRO TOTE

Skill Level: **EASY** Pattern: **M24063 TDC**



LION BRAND[®] MADE WITH LOVE THE COTTONY ONE[®] METRO TOTE

EASY

SIZE

About 12 x 12 in. (30.5 x 30.5 cm), not including straps

MATERIALS

• LION BRAND[®] MADE WITH LOVE THE COTTONY ONE (Art. #3040) #110 Indigo Go For It 3 balls (A)

#146 Knit One Purple One 1 ball (B)

- LION BRAND® stitch markers
- LION BRAND® stitch holders

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

Knitting needles size 8 (5 mm) Blunt needle for very bulky yarn

GAUGE

21 sts = about 4 1/2 in. (11.5 cm) over Slip St pattern. BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

PATTERN STITCH

Slip Stitch Pattern (worked over an even number of sts)

Row 1 (RS): * K1, sl 1 wyif; rep from * to end of row.

Row 2: Purl.

Row 3: * SI 1 wyif, k1; rep from * to end of row. **Row 4:** Purl.

Rep Rows 1-4 for Slip St pattern.

NOTES

- 1. Tote is worked in 3 pieces: Back, Front, and Gusset.
- 2. Back and Front are worked identically from the lower edge upwards in a Slip St pattern.
- 3. Straps are worked as part of the Back and Front pieces.
- 4. Blanket stitch detail is embroidered onto Tote.

- 5. With yarn in front (wyif) refers to the side of the work facing you as you work the row. To move yarn from front to back or back to front, bring yarn between needles. Take care not to wrap yarn over a needle, this could create an additional st.
- When you see 'work in pattern as established' in the instructions, this means to work the next row of the current pattern stitch.

BACK

With A, cast on 56 sts. Purl 1 row.

Beg with Row 1 of pattern, work in Slip St pattern until piece measures about 12 in. (30.5 cm) from beg, end with a WS row as the last row you work.

First Strap

Next row (RS): Work in Slip St pattern as established over first 16 sts; place last 40 sts on a holder – you will have 16 sts remaining on needle.

Continue in Slip St pattern over 16 sts only, until first strap measures about 16 in. (40.5 cm), end with a RS row as the last row you work. Bind off.

Second Strap

Next row (RS): From RS and working sts from holder, bind off next 24 sts, work in Slip St pattern as established over last 16 sts.

Continue in Slip St pattern over 16 sts only, until second strap measures same as first strap, end with a RS row as the last row you work. Bind off.

FRONT

Make same as Back.

GUSSET

With A, cast on 12 sts. Purl 1 row.

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Beg with Row 1 of pattern, work in Slip St pattern until piece measures about 36 in. (91.5 cm) from beg, end with a RS row as the last row you work. Bind off.

FINISHING

Sew ends of Back and Front straps together. Place markers on side edges of Back and Front, about 12 in. (30.5 cm) from cast-on edge. From WS and using mattress stitch, sew edges of Gusset to edges of Back and Front, between markers.

Blanket Stitch Trim

Thread 3 strands of B held together into blunt needle.

Embroider blanket sts evenly spaced along inner and outer edges of Tote and straps. When working along side edges, work a blanket st every 4th row, about 3 knit sts wide. When working along top edges, work a blanket st over every other knit st, about 4 rows long.

Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

beg = begin(ning)
k = knit
rep = repeat
RS = right side
sl = slip
st(s) = stitch(es)
WS = wrong side
wyif = with yarn in front

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