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Yarns



*Hawthorn Knitted in Willow Tweed*

# Hawthorn

## Size

Approx size 28 cm (11 in) wide x 28 cm (11 in) long

## Yarn

Knitted in Willow Tweed

- A. sh. 9 Catkin 1 x 50g hank  
B. sh. 11 Heather 2 x 50g hanks  
C. sh. 5 Stone 2 x 50g hanks  
D. sh. 4 Ash 1 x 50g hank

\*All yarn used double throughout

## Needles

Pair of 5 mm (US 8) knitting needles  
Pair of 6 mm (US 10) knitting needles

## Tension/gauge

17 sts x 32 rows to 10 cm (4 in) square measured over slip st patt using 6 mm (US 10) knitting needles and using yarn double throughout.

## Extras

Pair of round top 40.5 cm (16 in) leather sew on bag handles

## Purse

Using 5 mm (US 8) needles and yarn A cast on 59 sts.

Work 2 rows in garter st, i.e. knit every row.

\*Change to 6 mm (US 10) needles and yarn B and work in slip st patt as folls:

**Row 1 (RS):** K1, (yf, sl1 pwise, yb, K1) to end.

**Row 2:** K1, P1, (yb, sl1 pwise, yf, P1) to last st, K1.

These 2 rows form the slip st pattern.

Work 18 more rows in patt.

Change to 5 mm (US 8) needles and yarn A.

Work 2 rows in garter st.

Change to 6 mm (US 10) needles and yarn B and work 2 rows in slip st patt.

Cont to work in striped slip st patt working in the following stripe sequence.

1 x length of felt 30.5 cm (12 in) wide x 61 cm (24 in) long

1 x length of Iron on heavy weight interfacing 30.5 cm (12 in) wide x 61 cm (24 in) long

1 x piece of card 24 cm (9½ in) long x 14 cm (5½ in) wide

1 x brooch back

Oddsments of yarn for embroidery  
Flower bouquet and feathers from craft shop

## Special abbreviations:

**RS of work:** yf, sl1 pwise, yb – with the RS of the knitting facing you, bring the yarn to the front of the work, slip 1 st purlwise, take the yarn to the back of the work ready to knit the next st.

**WS of work:** yb, sl1 pwise, yf – with the WS of the knitting facing you, take the yarn to the back of the work, slip 1 st purlwise, bring the yarn forward ready to purl the next st.

6 rows yarn C.

4 rows yarn D.

2 rows yarn A.

4 rows yarn B.

2 rows yarn A.

4 rows yarn D.

6 rows yarn C.

4 rows yarn B.

2 rows yarn C.

4 rows yarn D.

2 rows yarn C.

4 rows yarn B.

10 rows yarn C.\*\*

Change to 5 mm (US 8) needles and work 2 rows in garter st.

## Shape base of purse

Change to 6 mm (US 10) needles.

**Next row (RS)(dec):** Cast off 6 sts, (1 st on RH needle), (yf, sl1 pwise, yb, K1) to end. (53 sts)

**Next row (dec):** Cast off 6 sts, (1 st on RH needle), P1, (yb, sl1 pwise, yf, P1)

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to last st, K1. (47 sts)

Work 16 rows in slip st pattern, ending with RS facing for next row.

**Next row (RS)(inc):** Cast on 6 sts using the cable cast on method, K1, (yf, sl1 pwise, yb, K1) to end. (53 sts)

**Next row (inc):** Cast on 6 sts using the cable cast on method, K1, P1, (yb, sl1 pwise, yf, P1) to last st, K1. (59 sts)

Change to 5 mm (US 8) needles and work 2 rows in garter st.

Work from \*\* to \* reversing stripe pattern, ending with RS facing for next row.

Change to 5 mm needles and yarn A and work 2 rows in garter st.

Cast off purlwise on RS.

## Making up

Press/block as described on information page.

With oddments of yarn embroider 5 petal lazy daisies on first side of purse. Using a contrasting shade add french knots to the centre of flowers.

With WS of purse and RS of lining fabric together cut purse shape out of lining fabric.

With WS of purse facing, place interfacing for body on **WS** of purse and iron in place. Trim at side edges where necessary.

Fold knitted piece for purse at bottom fold-lines with wrong sides together.

With RS facing and two sides of row ends together, sew together using mattress stitch from cast-on/cast-off edge to cast-off/cast-on stitches for base of purse.

Repeat for seam on the opposite side.

Turn purse inside out and sew side gusset seam (cast-off/cast-on sts) to base using back stitch to create flat base to purse.

Repeat for gusset seam on the

opposite side.

Make a hole at each corner of the piece of card using a large needle.

Place the piece of card along flat base and secure with a few stitches through hole previously made at each corner.

Turn purse right side out.

Sew on bag handles using photograph as a guide for placement.

## Lining

With WS facing and two sides edges together sew using back stitch with a 1 cm (3/8 in) seam allowance as for side edges of purse.

Repeat for seam on the opposite side.

Sew side gusset seam to base using back stitch to create flat base to purse.

Repeat for gusset seam on the opposite side.

Slip bag lining inside knitted bag, turning a 2 cm (3/4 in) seam at top, pin into place just below cast-on/cast off edge. Slip stitch into place.

## Finishing

I made a decoration of feathers with and a paper corsage available from craft shops and attached these to a brooch back with ribbon, I used this to decorate my purse.

Below is the website address of a supplier for leather bag handles similar to the ones photographed:  
<http://stores.ebay.co.uk/CRAFTIZEN>

The pattern for 'Hawthorn' is taken from Louisa Harding Yarns  
LH22 Little Cake





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