

PATCHWORK KNITTING: 10 SQUARE PURSE

Homework and Materials

For you to practice some of the techniques used in making this purse, please bring the following materials and do the following homework:

Materials

Yarn- DK or a combination of yarns that knit to DK. This purse uses 2 yarns in 3 colors, ie, a matte and a shiny black yarn, a sparkling gray and matte gray, and a violet and a blue violet ribbon. From my experience, I suggest you bring both the yarn and the colors you really like. The sample you create can serve as a model for further work or be the beginning of your Horst Schulz inspired purse.

Needles- Bring compatible sized needles for your yarn: For finishing you'll need 2 #5 circular needles, the 24" length is ideal.

Accessories- Scissors, measuring tape, pencil and paper.

Homework

Practice the following:

Casting on

1. Make a slip knot, and knit a stitch.
2. Slip the new stitch onto the left needle.
3. Now knit the next stitch from that stitch.

This method allows you to cast on when you only have one thread available. It also allows for an easy pick up.

Edge Stitch

1. Always knit into the back of the 1st stitch.
2. Place your right hand needle into the next stitch and give a little tug before completing the stitch.
3. Work across row and slip the last stitch as if to purl with the yarn in front.

Correct edge stitches are essential. They are needed to make picking up stitches as easy as possible.

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Classroom Etiquette

Due to some student's allergies, I ask that you refrain from wearing perfume.