# FELTED WEEKEND Tote

A felting project for the more adventurous knitter.

## YARN Ella Rae Classic

Colour	No.	Quantity x 100g ball
col A	17	2
col B	29	1
col C	35	1

## **MEASUREMENTS**

Before felting: Top approx 55 cm Base approx 45 cm Depth approx 32 cm After felting: Top approx 50 cm Base approx 40 cm Depth approx 25 cm

#### **NEEDLES**

1 pair 4.50mm needles (USA 7)(UK 7)

## 1 Button

### **TENSION**

20 sts and 24 rows measured over 10cm (approx 4") of st st using 4.50mm needles.

# SPECIAL ABBREVIATIONS

LT (Left Twist). With right-hand needle behind left-hand needle, skip one st and knit the second st in back loop; then insert right-hand needle into the backs of both sts (the skipped st and the second st) and k2togtbl.

# **Bonbon Pattern**

Row 1(WS) col A Knit.
Row 2 col B K6, \* sl 2 wyib, k8; rep to end, sl 2, k6.
Row 3 col B P4, \* sl 6 wyif, p4; rep from \* to end.
Row 4 col B K4, \* sl 6 wyib, k4; rep from \* to end.

Row 5 col B P6, \* sl 2 wyif, p8; rep from \* to end. Row 6 col A K6, \* LT, k8; rep from \* to end LT, k6.

Row 7 col A Knit.

Row 8 col C K1, \* sl 2 wyib, k8; rep from \* to end sl 2, k1.

Row 9 col C P1, sl 4 wyif, \* p4, sl 6 wyif; rep from \* to end p4, sl 4, p1. Row 10 col C K1, sl 4 wyib, \* k4, sl 6 wyib; rep from \* to end k4, sl 4, k1. Row 11 col C P1, \* sl 2 wyif, p8; rep from \* to end sl 2, p1.

Row 12 col A K1, \* LT, k8; rep from \* to end LT, k1.

These 12 rows form pattern repeat. Note: Piece is worked from top to bottom.

FRONT and BACK (make 2)
Using 4.50mm needles and col A, cast on 114 sts.
Knit 4 rows.

Now cont working in pattern repeat. Keeping pattern correct, dec 1 st each end every time row 1 of repeat is worked, 7 times. (100 sts)
Cont working in pattern until length measures approx 30 cm, ending on either a row 1 or 7 of pattern repeat. Cast off.

### BASE

Using 4.50mm needles and col A, cast on 22 sts.
Working in st st, inc 1 st each end every alt row, 5 times. (32 sts)
Cont working in st st until length measures 40 cm, ending on a WS row.
Dec 1 st each end next row, then 1 st each end foll alt rows, 4 times. (22 sts)
Purl 1 row. Cast off.



HANDLES (make 2)
Using 4.50mm needles and col A, cast on 14 sts. Work in st st for 56 cm, ending on a WS row.
Cast off. Sew seam lengthwise.

## **FASTENER**

Using 4.50mm needles and col A, cast on 18 sts.

Work in st st for 8 cm, ending on a WS row. Buttonhole row(RS): K 8 sts, cast off 3 sts, k to end.

(WS)  $\, P$  to cast off sts, turn, cast on 3 sts, turn,  $\, p$  to end.

(RS) Dec 1 st each end every row until 6 sts rem. Cast off.

## MAKING UP

Felt all pieces separately (see method pg 50). Sew side seams of front and back tog. Sew base to front and back.

Sew handles approx 7 cm in from side edge. Sew fastener to centre of back. Sew button to front.

**Please note:** Some Ella Rae Classic Wool colors listed may be discontinued and/or renumbered. Please feel free to substitute the colors of your own choosing.