



**Free Knitting Pattern**  
**Lion Brand® Cotton-Ease®**  
**Wooden Handle Tote**  
Pattern Number: knitorcrochet1



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**SKILL LEVEL:** [Easy +](#)

**SIZE:** One Size  
17 x 26 in. (43 x 66 cm) before assembly

**CORRECTIONS:** (applied May 7, 2012)

**Row 8:** ~~K4~~ **Sl1, K3**, \*k8, p1, k3, p1, rep from \* once, k17, \*\*p1, k3, p1, k8, rep from \*\* once, end k4.

**Row 13 (cable twist row):** Sl1, k3, \*p8, sl next st to CN and hold to front of work, sl next 3 sts to 2nd CN, hold to back of work, k next st from left-hand needle, p3 from 2nd CN, then k st from first CN, p8,

rep from \* once, p17, rep from \* twice, k4.

Rep Rows 7–14 for pattern until piece measures 26" (66 cm).

Rep Rows 1-6.

## MATERIALS

- 830-134 Lion Brand Cotton-Ease: Terracotta  
3 Balls
- Lion Brand Knitting Needles- Size 8 [5 mm]
- Lion Brand Cable Needles (Set of 2) 2
- Lion Brand Large-Eye Blunt Needles (Set of 6)
- Additional Materials  
Pair of handles, 7 7/8 in. (20 cm) wide at base  
1/2 yd. (0.5 m) fleece interfacing  
1/2 yd. (0.5 m) lining fabric  
Sewing needle and thread  
Safety pin

## GAUGE:

18 sts = 4 in. (10 cm) BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE. When you match the gauge in a pattern, your project will be the size specified in the pattern and the materials specified in the pattern will be sufficient. If it takes you fewer stitches and rows to make a 4 in. [10 cm] square, try using a smaller size hook or needles; if more stitches and rows, try a larger size hook or needles.

## NOTES:

The first stitch of every row is slipped to give the edge a more finished appearance.

## TOTE

Cast on 77 sts.

**Rows 1, 3, 5 (RS):** Sl1, k1, yo, k2tog, k to last 4 sts, k2tog, yo, k2.

**Rows 2, 4, 6:** Sl1, k across row.

**Row 7:** Sl1, k1, yo, k2tog, \*p8, k1, p3, k1, rep from \* once, p17, \*\*k1, p3, k1, p8, rep from \*\* once, end k2tog, yo, k2.

**Row 8:** Sl1, k3, \*k8, p1, k3, p1, rep from \* once, k17, \*\*p1, k3, p1, k8, rep from \*\* once, end k4.

**Row 9:** Sl1, k3, \*p8, k1, p3, k1, rep from \* once, p17, \*\* k1, p3, k1, p8, rep from \*\* once, end k4.

**Rows 10, 12, and 14:** Rep Row 8.

**Row 11:** Rep Row 7.

**Row 13 (cable twist row):** Sl1, k3, \*p8, sl next st to CN and hold to front of work, sl next 3 sts to 2nd CN, hold to back of work, k next st from left-hand needle, p3 from 2nd CN, then k st from first CN, p8, rep from \* once, p17, rep from \* twice, k4.

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Bind off.

## Twisted Cord (Make 2)

Cut two strands of yarn, each 4½ yd. (4 m), hold together, fold in half. Anchor the folded end, twist these strands until they become very tightly wound. Being sure not to release ends, bring cut ends and folded ends together, hold up and allow to twist into a cord. Tie the



loose side tightly, about 1½" (4 cm) from end, to form a small tassel and to anchor cord. Make a second cord. Set cords aside to be used to form top of bag.

### Lining

Line bag while flat before assembly.

Cut the fleece interfacing so it does not cover the eyelet edges formed by the yarn-over stitches. Hand-sew in place. Cut the lining fabric 1" (2.5 cm) larger than the fleece. Fold under all sides ½" (1.3 cm). Sew the lining to the bag, over the interfacing.



### Finishing

Using a large safety pin, weave the finished cords in and out of the eyelet holes at edges of bag; draw up tightly. Using leftover purse yarn and a tapestry needle, sew the handles to the top corners of the bag. Tie opposite cord ends together in bows at the base of the handles.

#### ABBREVIATIONS / REFERENCES

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<a href="#">cn = cable needle</a>	<a href="#">k = knit</a>
<a href="#">k2tog = knit 2 together</a>	<a href="#">p = purl</a>
<a href="#">sl = slip</a>	<a href="#">yo = yarn over</a>

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\*[Cotton-Ease®](#) (Article #830). 50% Cotton/50% Acrylic; package size: 3.50oz/100.00 gr. (207yds/188m) pull skeins

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