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## Item #1177A

#### **EASY**

## **SIZE**

Approximately 9" x 6" x 3"

## **MATERIALS**

- LION BRAND Monet:
  - 1 hank # 402 Country Garden or color of your choice
- Size 8 (5 mm) needles OR SIZE TO OBTAIN GAUGE
- 1 wooden toggle button

## **GAUGE**

18 sts + 24 rows = 4" (10 cm) in St st BEFORE FELTING. BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

## STITCH EXPLANATION

**ssk** (**slip**, **slip**, **knit**) Slip the next 2 sts as if to knit, one at a time, to the right needle; insert the left needle into the fronts of these 2 sts and k them tog.

## SIDE (make 2)

Cast on 54 sts. Work 8 rows n St st (k on RS, p on WS).

Dec row (RS) Dec 1 st at beg and end of row – 52 sts

Work 7 rows even. Repeat last 8 rows 4 times – 44 sts. Continue to work dec at outer edge every 8 rows as established. AT THE SAME TIME,

shape right top as follows:

Row 1 Work 17 sts, turn.

Row 2 (WS) Dec 1 st at inner edge, work across.

Row 3 Work row, dec 1 st at inner edge.

Row 4-7 Repeat Row 3 (end RS).

Row 8 Work even.

Row 9-12 (Repeat Row 3 and 8) twice.

Row 13-14 Work even.

Row 15-22 (Repeat Row 3 once and Row 8 three times) twice.

Row 23 Repeat Row 3, ending RS.

Bind off rem 3 sts.

Join yarn to make other side: Bind off 8 sts at center then work left top as for right, reversing shaping.

#### **BASE**

Cast on 36 sts. Working in Garter st (k every row) inc 1 st at beg and end of every other row 5 times – 46 sts. Work 8 rows even. Dec 1 st at beg and end of every other row 5 times – 36 sts. Bind off all sts.

#### **FLAP**

Cast on 16 sts. Working in Garter st, work 1 row.

**Next row** Inc 1, work across.

Repeat last 2 rows twice – 19 sts.

Work 2 rows even.

Buttonhole K 11, ssk, yo twice, k2tog, k 4.

**Next row** K 5, (k 1, p 1] in yo's, k 12.

Work 2 rows even.

Next row K to last 2 sts, dec 1.

Work 1 row even.

Repeat last 2 rows 2 times – 16 sts. Bind off all sts.

#### **STRAP**

Cast on 7 sts. Yarn forward, slip 1 st purlwise, yarn back, k across. Repeat until strap measures 48". Bind off all sts.

#### **FINISHING**

Sew sides together at side seams. Sew base to bottom. Center flap on one side and sew in place. Felt bag and strap by running through a hot wash cycle with a small amount of detergent. Dry pieces. Steam block into shape - stretching, straightening, and flattening strap if necessary. Sew strap to sides, covering side seams. Sew button under buttonhole.

## **ABBREVIATIONS**

 $\begin{array}{lll} beg = begin(ning) & RS = right \ side \\ dec = decreas(e)(s)(ing) & st(s) = stitch(es) \\ inc = increase(e)(s)(ing) & St \ st = stockinette \ stitch \\ k = knit & tog = together \\ p = purl & yo = yarn \ over \\ rem = remain(s)(ing) & WS = wrong \ side \end{array}$ 

Monet (Art #160) comes in 4 oz/230 yd hanks

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