# TAKE ME WITH YOU BAG

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While working on a portable project, I was looking for a bag that was just the right size. Needless to say I was like Goldilocks. So irritation prompted me to get inventive again. No buttons on this bag, and with a square base it can sit on any surface and not roll around. The top folds back and tucks neatly under the bag out of the way. I made it of Cotton so it is machine washable. Just the right size for sock projects.

*Materials:* Bernat Handcrafter Natural100% Cotton

4mm / 6US Dpn (5)

4mm / 6US Circular 12" (optional)
Marker, needle, *Gauge:* this is approx 17 Sts to 4"

Finished bag size approx 5"x 5"x 5"

Cast on 25 st using thumb method.
Row 1: Knit
Row 2: k1, Purl to last st , k1

Repeat for 30 rows ending with a knit row.

*Base of Bag*
Beginning at the end of the knit row pick up and knit 30 st down the side of the square.
Pick up and knit the 25 loops of the cast on edge at the bottom of the square.
Pick up and knit the 30 st on the remaining side of the square.

*Reality check:*
*Needle 1: 25 st*
*Needle 2: 30 st*
*Needle 3: 25 st*
*Needle 4: 30 st*
*Total = 110 st*

Row 1: k1, pm, p23, sl2, k1, psso, pm, p26, sl2, k1, psso, pm, p23, sl2, k1, psso, pm, p26,
        sl2, k1, psso, pm, (102 st)
Row 2: p23, k1, p26, k1, p23, k1, p26, k1
Row 3: Knit
Row 4: p23, k1, p26, k1, p23, k1, p26, k1

*Body of Bag (change to circular needle optional)*
Row 1:*p1, k21, p1, k1, p1, k24, p1, k1, p1, k21, p1, k1, p1, k24, p1, k1*
Repeat for 4 ½ "
Row 2: p23, k1, p26, k1, p23, k1, p26, k1
Row 3: Knit
Row 4: p23, k1, p26, k1, p23, k1, p26, k1

*Handles (use dpn at opening of handles till opening becomes large enough for circ)*
Row 1: k22, cast off 3 st , k47, cast off 3, k25
Row 2: p22, cast on 40st, (divide these st on 2 dpn to make room) pick up and k2tog with
        the last st of the cast on st and the first st of the 48 st after the 3 cast off st. turn.
Row 3: Using the 40st only knit to the 2nd last st and knit the last st and the next st of the
        body of the bag as a k2tog, turn

Continue reducing the 1 st with a k2tog at the end of each row to 4 st from corner k1.
Cast off 9 st at the corner and

*Repeat Row 2 and 3: to 4 remaining st from corner k1 for 2nd handle.*

Cast off all st all the way around the inside of handles. Darn in ends. Finished