# **Drawstring Dolly Bag**

### **Materials**

2 balls of Double Knit cotton varn

Beads suitable for using with double knitting yarn (at least 242!)

1 pair of 3.25 mm knitting needles

Darning needle

Beading needle threaded with cotton and tied (for threading beads). Check out our Hints and Tips page if you want help threading the beads.

### Abbreviations:

M1 - Make one stitch by picking up a stitch from the row below

ss - stocking stitch k2tog - knit 2 stitches together

st - stitch rs - right side of work



Using yarn double, cast on 12 stitches and work 2 rows in ss.

Next row - \*k1, m1, k to last st, m1, k1, purl 1 row\*

Repeat from \* - \* until there are 20 stitches. Work 10 rows in ss

Next row - \*k1, k2tog, k to last 3 sts, k2 tog, k1, purl 1 row\* Repeat from \* - \* until 12 sts remain, cast off.

## Main part of bag:

Thread 218 beads onto your yarn adding a few extra, just in case! Handy Tip

- Count 50 beads and measure the length of them, then multiply.

Cast on 177 stitches using the following method.

Cast on 3 sts \* bring bead up, cast on 1 st\*

Repeat from \* - \* twice more (placing three beads on consecutive stitches)

Repeat this method until there are 175 sts, cast on 2 sts (177 sts)

Next row - K2, cast off 3 to last 2 sts, k2 (72 sts)

Starting with a rs row, work 8 rows in ss ending with a ws row

Work the next 9 rows following Chart A, repeating this pattern across the

row until 2 stitches remain. Knit these sts.

Work 11 rows in ss, ending with a ws row.

Work the next 9 rows following Chart B, repeating this pattern across the row.

Work 5 rows in ss, ending with a ws row.

Next row - K4, K2tog, yo, to last 4 sts, k to end. This row creates the eyelet holes for your i-cord.

Work 5 rows in ss

Next row - k1 \*m1, k2\* Repeat from \* - \* to end of row. Purl 1 row.

Next row - k4 \*M1, K3\* Repeat from \* - \* to end of row (144 sts) Purl 1 row.

Next row - k2\*m1, k4\* Repeat from \* - \* to end of row (180 sts) Purl 1 row.

Cast off loosely and evenly using the following technique: Cast off 3 sts, \*bring bead up, cast off 3 sts\* Repeat from \*

- \* to the last 3 sts, cast off 2, bring bead up and cast off last st.



Cast on 4 stitches and work in ss until tie is the required length. Cast off and slip stitch seam to make a round cord.

### Flowers (make 6)

Cast on 6 sts, cast off. \*Cast on 5 sts (makeing 6) cast off\* Repeat from \* - \* 3 times, making 5 petals altogether. Cast off last stitch.

### Making up

Sew up side of bag using mattress stitch. Attach base. Sew four of the flowers evenly around the middle of the bag, adding beads at the centre of each flower.

You can stitch the petals open on the bag to stop them curling up.

Attach the two extra flowers at each end of the i-cord and add beads as before.

### Chart A and B:

Knit on right side, purl on wrong side

O Purl on right side, knit on wrong side

B Place Bead

\* Make Bobble: Knit into the front, back and front of the stitch. Work 3 rows in ss. Slip 1 st, K2 tog, psso

CHART A

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**CHART B** 

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