



Green Bee

Messenger / Laptop bag

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Size after blocking:**Width:** about 41 cm**Height:** about 30 cm**Gauge:**

10 cm = 12 stitches measured after blocking

Level: easy**Materials:****Yarn:** Stout Uni by Borgo de'Pazzi col. 107 (100% wool– 200 g. +/- 300 m.): 400 g. (2 skeins).

Needles: 6 mm circular needles with 80 cm cable.

Crochet: 6 mm crochet hook and Prym Smirne hook.

Other material: Row counter, tapestry needle, 2 silver rings.

Stitches&Abbreviations:

K: knit.

P: purl.

Gs: Garter Stitch.

S1kw: slip 1 stitch knitwise, without working it.

S1pw: slip 1 purlwise, without working it.

HCS: Honey Comb Stitch.

K2tog: Knit 2 stitches together.

ssk: slip 1 stitch onto the right needle, slip the next one, slip them back to the left needle and knit them together through the back loop

HCS: Honey Comb stitch.

Row 1: *k1, k1 inserting the needle into the stitch of the previous row*, k1.

Row 2 and all even rows: k.

Row 3: k1, *k1, k1 inserting the needle into the stitch of the previous row *, k2.

Keep going repeating Row 1 to Row 4.

Helping video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=37oQXJjBicM>**SPECIAL TECHNIQUES****Crochet cast on:**<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uoApDbStQrY>**Bullion Stitch Flower:**<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QkKjfQafU94>**Rumenian I-Cord:**<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=83B5GF8RcNI&t=166s>

INSTRUCTIONS

Using the Crochet Cast on cast on 51 stitches and work them as follows:

Foundation Row: p1, k49, p1.

Row 1: s1kw, k49, s1kw.

Row 2: p1, k49, p1.

Repeat Row 1 to Row 2 twice.

Continue as follows:

Row 5: s1kw, HCS49, k1. (Row 1 of HCS explanation).

Row 6: s1pw, k49, p1.

Row 7: s1kw, HCS49, k1. (Row 3 of HCS explanation).

Row 8: s1pw, k49, p1.

Repeat Row 5 to Row 8 20 more times, then work as follows:

Row 85: s1kw, p49, k1.

Row 86: s1pw, k49, p1.

Row 87 to Row 174: repeat Row 5 to Row 8 22 times.

Row 175: k3, p45, k3.

Row 176: k3, k45, k3.

Row 177: k3, HCS45, k3. (Row 1 of HCS explanation).

Row 178: k.

Row 179: k3, HCS45, k3. (Row 3 of HCS explanation).

Row 180: k.

Repeat Row 177 to Row 180 once again.

Row 185: k3, ssk, HCS (Row 1 of HCS explanation) until 5 stitches from the end of the row, k2tog, k3.

Row 187: k3, HCS (Row 1 of HCS explanation) until 3 stitches from the end of the row, k3.

Row 189: k3, ssk, HCS (Row 3 of HCS explanation) until 5 stitches from the end of the row, k2tog, k3.

Row 191: k3, HCS (Row 3 of HCS explanation) until 3 stitches from the end of the row, k3.

Repeat Row 185 to Row 191 twice more.

Row 209: k3, ssk, HCS (Row 1 of HCS explanation) until 5 stitches from the end of the row, k2tog, k3.

Repeat Row 209 6 more times.

Row 223: k3, ssk, k until 5 stitches from the end of the row, k2tog, k3.

Row 224: k.

Repeat Row 223 to Row 224 once again.

Bind off all stitches.

Finishing:

Sew the lateral sides of the bag and place the rings as in the photo.

Prepare a 150 cm I-cord (see helping video about Rumenian I-Cord), pass it through the rings and sew the ends with invisible stitches.

