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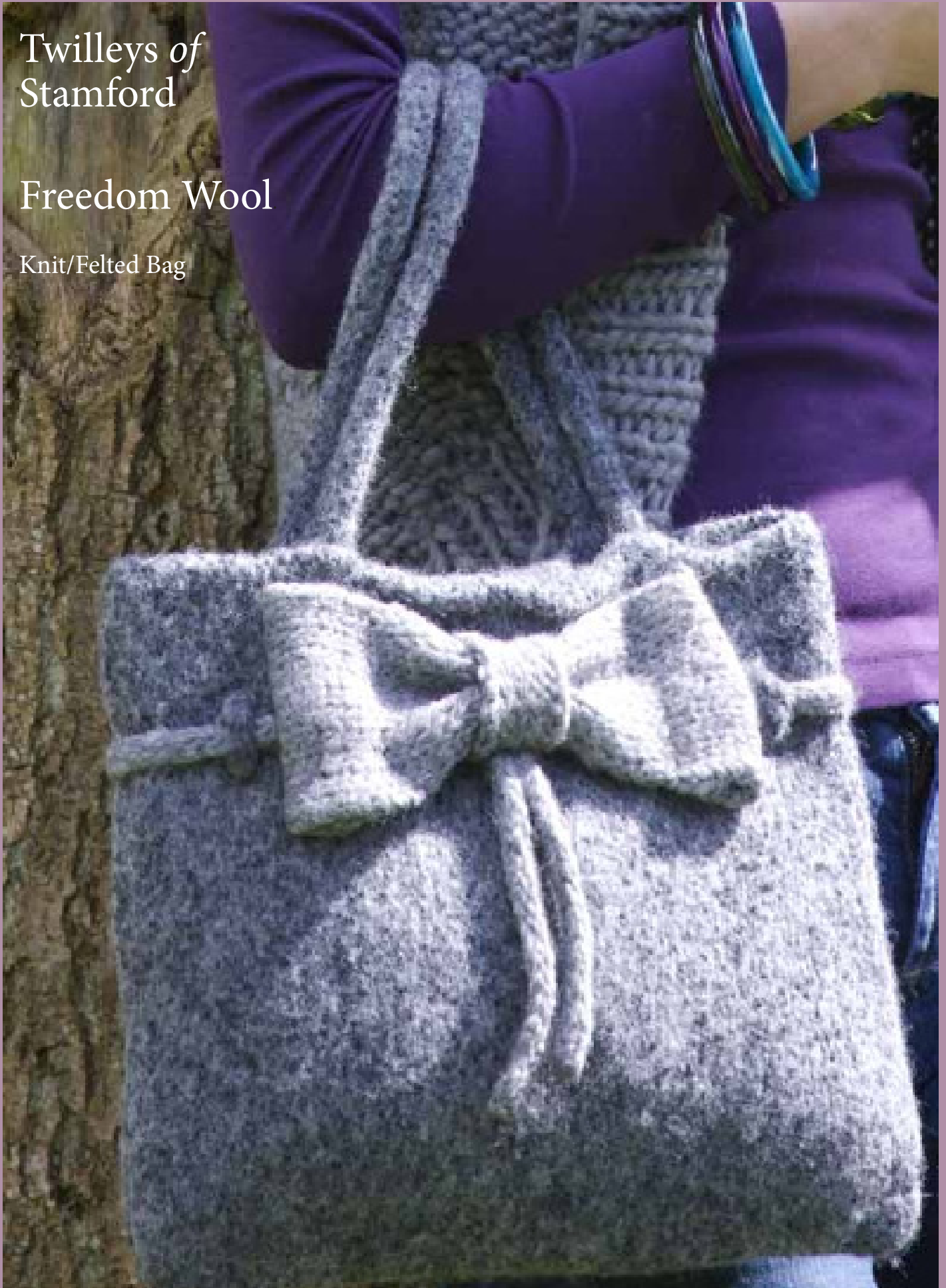


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Freedom Wool

Knit/Felted Bag



Bow Detail Felted bag

Height (excluding straps) approx.

25 cms

10 ins

Width approx.

33 cms

13 ins

Note: As felting is an inexact science it is not possible to give an exact finished measurement.

Twilleys Freedom Wool 50gm Balls

Main 5

Contrast 1

Pair of 7mm (UK 2 - USA 10½) knitting needles. Two double pointed 7mm (UK 2 - USA 10½) knitting needles.

TENSION (Before Washing) - 13 sts and 18 rows to 10cm (4 in) over st st.

Unless the yarn specified is used, we cannot accept any responsibility for the finished work. It is advisable to purchase, at one time, the number of balls sufficient for your requirements.

Repeating this row forms an i-cord. Cont straight until the i-cord measures 61cm (24 in).

Break off yarn and thread through sts, pull up tightly and secure end.

The centre cord, bow and bow centre are hand felted so you have more control over the finished size.

Fill a bowl with hot water and a small amount of detergent. To help protect your hands we suggest you wear rubber gloves. Place pieces into the water and leave to soak for a few minutes. Rub the pieces until they start to thicken up, you will feel this happening. This may take a few minutes so it is OK to stop for a while and come back to them. When the bow section measures around 9 x 20cm (3½ x 8 ins) take it out of the water, rinse thoroughly in cold water and leave to dry flat. Repeat this process until the centre cord measures 56cm (22 ins) and the bow centre is 4 x 10cm (1½ x 4 ins).

ABBREVIATIONS

cont – continue; **dec** – decrease(s) (ing); **fol** – following; **in** – inch(es); **inc** – increase(s) (ing); **K** – knit; **mm** – millimetres; **P** – purl; **rem** – remain(ing); **rep** – repeat; **rs** – right side; **st(s)** – stitch(es); **tog** - together.

Centre Cord

With 7mm double pointed needles and Contrast cast on 4 sts.

Work an 81cm (32 in) i-cord.

Break off yarn and thread through sts, pull up tightly and secure end.

Bow

With 7mm needles and Contrast cast on 12 sts.

Beg K work 44 rows in st st.

Cast off.

Bow Centre

With 7mm needles and Contrast cast on 6 sts.

Beg K work 18 rows in st st.

Cast off.

BAG (Make 2)

With 7mm knitting needles and Main cast on 50 sts.

Working in st st beg K, work 44 rows.

Eyelet row: (rs) K6, *[K2, turn, P2, turn] 3 times, K2,

K10 * rep from * to * to last 8 sts, [K2, turn, P2, turn] 3 times, K2, K6.

Next row: P

Cont in st st for 12 more rows.

Cast off.

Handles (Make 2)

With 7mm double pointed needles and Main cast on 4 sts.

Knit 1 row (Do not turn needle around for next row).

next row: Slide the sts along the needle to the tip of the right hand end (the working yarn is still at the left-hand side of work). Bring the working yarn across the back of the stitches and knit the first stitch, pulling the yarn quite tightly. Knit the other 3 stitches.

Felting

Stitch together sides and base of bag.

Using the photograph as a guide stitch the handles in position.

Weave a piece of smooth, thick string once or twice around the loops created on the eyelet row.

Place in a laundry bag and put into a washing machine on a Quick Wash 60 degree cycle using only a small amount of detergent.

When cycle has finished take out bag and remove the string. Pull bag into shape and leave to dry flat.

Making Up

Refer to the colour photograph as a guide.

Thread the i-cord through the eyelet holes and tack into place at the centre of the front.

Turn the cast on and cast off ends of the bow over by approx. 2.5cm (1 in) and stitch in place. Gather up the bow at the middle and wrap the centre piece around the bow. Stitch in place. Finally stitch the bow onto the front of the bag.