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## Frugal Knitting Haus Free Pattern(s)

### SHOPPING TOTE OR NEEDLEWORK TOTE



(Finished size is about 12 ½ inches high, and about 26 inches around.)

**Materials:** Worsted weight yarn, 4 ounces each of 2 colors, or, 8 ounces divided

1 - 29 inch circular needle, size 10½

**Gauge:** 3 sts = 1 inch and 5 rows = 1 inch

**Directions:** ( if using yarn from one skein, wind into 2 separate balls)

With 2 strands of yarn held tog, cast on 86 sts. Join being careful not to twist sts, and place a marker for beg of round.

*Pattern St:* K 14, P 1, K 1, P 1, K 23, P 1, K 1, P 1, K 14, P 1, K 1, P 1, K 23,  
P 1, K 1, P 1.

Repeat this row until 10 inches from beg.

Work \* K 1, P 1\*, ribbing for 1 inch.

*Start handle opening:* Work first 22 sts, bind off next 15 sts , work next 29 sts, bind off next 15 sts, work last 5 sts . (Keep this in ribbing.)

Next round: Keeping to ribbing, work around casting on 15 sts over the bound off sts around. Work in ribbing for 4 more rounds. Bind off in ribbing.

*Bottom piece:* With 2 strands tog, cast on 16 sts. K 1 row, P 1 row until about 7 ¼ inches long. Bind off . With safety pins for stitch holders pin this piece to bottom of bag, with either knit side or purl side out. Sew in place, remove pins.

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