



Cascade 220 Superwash
Stuff Sack



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Girls Pink Gradations Stuff Sack Designed by Laura Farson



This simple stuff sack will hold lots of treasures. It's knit with odd number of stitches so stranding develops a textured check pattern.

Size: Child: Measures: 8-3/4" wide X 9" high

Gauge: 6sts/inch with stranded check pattern

Materials:

Wind a second ball of each color from the original skeins.

Color A: Cascade 220 "Superwash", #894, light pink

Color B: Cascade 220 "Superwash", # 836, medium pink

Color C: Cascade 220 "Superwash", 901, bright pink

Color D: Cascade 220 "Superwash", #903, dark pink

Blunt sewing needle

Two US #8, 16" circular or four dbl pt needles

Color Combinations: Lightest AA, AB, BB, BC, CC, to DD darkest

There are 9 rounds of each color combo.

Dominance: Check the photo above. Tubes at the top: two dark strands DD, Body: two light strands, AA, section AB, A is dominant, section BC, B is dominant, at CD, D is dominant, and the bottom is DD. Hold the dominant yarn in the left hand i.e. carry it under the other yarn.

Top Tubes for Drawstring Straps

Cast on 54 stitches using 2 strands of D, with Long tail cast on, placing one strand on the thumb and one on the forefinger.

Strand knit flat with two strands of the same color. Keep the yarn strands in the same position (one in the left hand "over" and one in the right "under") to make the texture develop.

Row 1: Knit alternating strands

Row 2: Purl alternating strands

Repeat rows 1 and 2 for 1-1/4" ending with row 1.

With the wrong side facing out, fold the cast on edge matching the live stitches on the front needle to the cast on edge to the back. Alternating strands knit each live stitch to a corresponding cast on loop by inserting the needle into the next live stitch and then under both legs of the cast on stitch. Wrap the yarn and draw it through the loops to complete the stitch.

At the end of this tube, cut the strands to 6" and set aside.

Make a second tube exactly like the first, except, at the end of the tube, do not cut the yarns.

Form a circle by knitting onto the first tube directly from the end of the second tube. Continue back onto the second tube, knitting in the round. 108 sts

Next 2 Rnds: Knit even; at the end of rnd 2, M1, 109 sts

Body: Switch to two strands of A and continue stranded knitting.

Rnds 3 – 11 Knit

Switch to one strand B

Rnd 12: *K1A, K1B, repeat * to end

Rnd 13: *K1B, K1A, repeat * to end

Rnds 14 - 20: Repeat rnds 12 and 13 for a total of 9 rounds

Repeat Rnds 12 – 20 for the remaining color combos. See note above about dominance.

Bottom

After completing the bag, Kitchner the bottom together with one yarn strand. Cut the other strand 6" long and leave it at its end of the bottom to be used later to attach a loop for the strap. At the end of the Kitchner sewing leave a 6" tail for attaching a loop for a strap at the other bottom corner.

Straps and Loops

With one strand of D, knit or machine* 9 feet of 4 stitch I-cord.

Cut two Strap Cords measuring 4 feet long. After cutting the I-cord, remove any little bits of yarn. At the ends, undo enough stitches to give 2" of yarn. With a blunt needle thread this yarn end through the four loops of the stitches on the end of the cord. Cinch the loops tight. Weave the yarn end into the middle of the I-cord. Clip the excess.

From the remaining I-cord cut two lower loops measuring 5 inches each. When ends are undone and sewn together they measure about 4-1/4". After cutting the 5" length, undo stitches until you have 2-1/2" of yarn on each end. Thread one of the yarn ends through the stitch loops on its end and cinch the loops. Repeat for the other end.

Tie the two yarn tails with an overhand knot. Thread each strand separately to the inside of the bottom of the bag at one of the corners. Tie the yarn from the inside corner (left after Kitchnering above) to the two ends just brought to the inside. Weave the three ends into the fabric. Clip excess

Thread one 4' strap through one top tube and return through the other top tube. (Attach a safety pin to the I-cord and use it to push the cord through the tubes)

Thread the other strap through the top tubes in the opposite direction of the first.

Even up the ends of each strap; put one end through the corresponding loop at the bottom, and tie the two ends together. (See photo above) Repeat for the second strap.

Cinch the bag closed by pulling on the straps at the top.

*Embellishknit™ makes short work of I-cord