

# Purl McBigBottom

a drawstring purse to knit!

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## Materials

110yds (7 oz) of your favorite bulky weight yarn

Circular knitting needles

Size #17 (12mm) 16" (40.5cm)

Double Pointed Needles

Size #17 (12mm)

Tapestry needle

## Gauge

Not essential. Use your favorite yarn with appropriate needles and you'll get a different sized purse.

## Note

Entire purse is worked in the round from the top down.

## Instructions

Cast on 64 sts using your favorite cast on. This is the top edge so be creative! I used a cable cast on for the purse shown.

**Rnds 1-3** Knit.

**Rnd 4** \*YO, k2tog\*. Repeat from \* to \* around.

**Rnds 5-7** Knit

**Rnds 8-11** \*Purl 1, knit 1 *through back loop*\*. Repeat from \* to \* around.

**Rnds 12-15** Knit

Repeat Rnds 8-15 once more. Bind off.

## Handle

Make 28" i-cord as follows:

Using double-pointed needles, cast on 4 sts.

Knit but don't turn at the end of row.

Slide all the sts back to the beginning of the needle where they are mounted, and knit the row again.

Repeat until the cord is 28". Gently tug at the ends of the i-cord and gaps will close up. Bind off.

## Assembly

Turn purse inside out and flatten. Whipstitch bottom edges together. Whipstitch ends of handles on either side of purse opening. Turn right-side out. Use yarn or ribbon (or whatever you'd like) to create a drawstring and thread through the eyelets of Rnd 4. Weave in all ends. Enjoy!

