

Patons® Classic Wool



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FELTED BUFFALO
PLAID ROLL BAG

MEASUREMENTS

Approx 11 ins [28 cm] long x 5½ ins [14 cm] high.

MATERIALS

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(100 g / 3.5 oz)

Main Color (MC) (230 Bright Red) **1 ball**

Contrast A (226 Black) **2 balls**

Contrast B (224 Grey Mix) **2 balls**

Size 4.5 mm (U.S. 7) knitting needles. Set of four size 4.5 mm (U.S. 7) double pointed knitting needles **or size needed to obtain tension.** 1 toggle.

TENSION

20 sts and 26 rows = 4 ins [10 cm] in stocking st.

INSTRUCTIONS

With MC, cast on 144 sts.

1st row: (RS). *With MC, K12. With B, K12. Rep from * to end of row.

2nd row: *With B, P12. With MC, P12. Rep from * to end of row.

3rd to 20th rows: Rep last 2 rows 9 times more.

21st row: *With B, K12. With A, K12. Rep from * to end of row.

22nd row: *With A, P12. With B, P12. Rep from * to end of row.

23rd to 40th rows: Rep last 2 rows 9 times more. Last 40 rows form Plaid Pat.

Rep 40 rows of Plaid Pat twice more, ending with RS facing for next row. 120 rows in total. Cast off in pat.

Handles (make 2)

With A and set of four needles, cast on 11 sts. Divide sts evenly on 3 needles and place a marker on first st. Knit in rnds until work from beg measures 16 ins [40.5 cm]. Cast off.

Toggle Loop

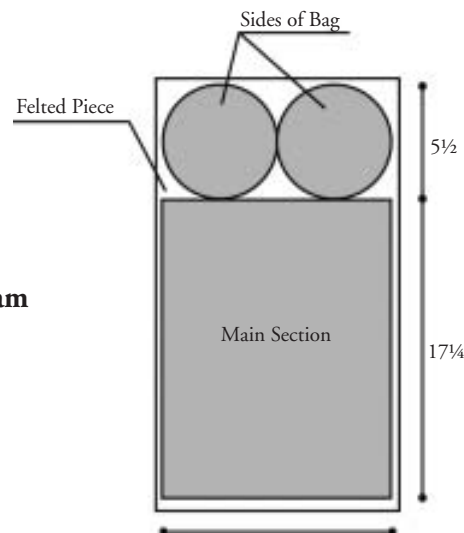
With A and pair of two double pointed needles, cast on 4 sts. **1st row:** K4. *Do not turn. Slide back to beg of needle. K4. Rep from * until work from beg measures 13 ins [38 cm]. Cast off.

FINISHING

Felt all pieces. Felted piece should measure approx 13¾ ins [35 cm] long x 24½ ins [62 cm] wide.

Cut Main Section 11 ins [28 cm] wide by 17¼ ins [44 cm] long and 2 round sides 5½ ins [14 cm] in diameter (See Cutting Diagram). Pin Sides to Main Section. With A and RS of work facing, blanket st Sides to Main Section. With B, blanket st top opening of Bag.

Trim Handles to measure 12 ins [30.5 cm] long. Trim toggle loop to measure 9 ins [23 cm] long. Sew Handles and toggle loop in position as illustrated trimming bottoms of handles into points. Sew toggle to correspond to loop.



Cutting Diagram

HOW TO FELT INSTRUCTIONS

FELTING

- Put pieces in top-loading washing machine. Put in a pair of jeans or large towel (in non-interfering color) for extra agitation. Using low water level, run a Hot/Cold cycle for 15 min.
- Add 2 tablespoons of baking soda for a small load. After one cycle, check for size. Repeat as necessary.
- Run through the rinse and dry spin cycle.
- Lay felted piece on a dry towel, away from direct heat or sunlight.
- Shape piece to correct measurements.
- Allow to dry thoroughly. Do not use a clothes dryer.
- If an edge ripples, baste a thread through the edge and gather in. Remove the thread after felted item is dry.
- When piece is dry, use tailor's chalk to mark cutting (trimming) lines.

AFTERCARE

- You have spent a lot of time and care completing these items through their knitting/crocheting and felting stages. A little thought to aftercare will ensure that you will have these beautiful felted items for many years to come.
- After you have subjected your item to the felting process, you may think that it has gone through the most vigorous and tortured wash that yarn could ever endure. Now you assume that you can throw that felted item into the hot wash cycle along with your sheets. Do not do it! Treat your newly felted item with caution and care in order to avoid further shrinkage or distortion.
- Felted handmade items can always be improved with brushing.
- Even a slight pressing will give a smoother appearance to felted fabric. Always press lightly using a steam iron and a damp cloth. Never press down on the fabric but hold the iron just above the fabric.

Important to know before felting:

- It is important to record all the measurements and changes before and after felting. You will be able to either adjust or repeat the method to produce reliable and consistent results.
- Always test a sample. Different colored yarns may felt differently. Some colors have to undergo the felting more than once in order to achieve the desired result.

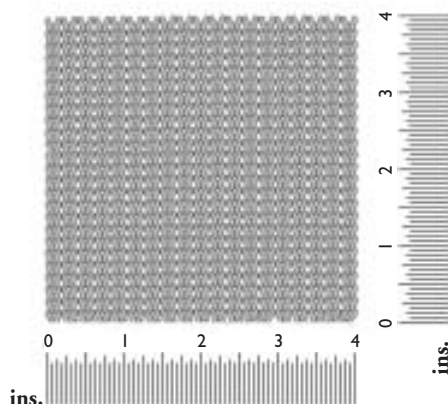
- As yarn will be going into very hot water, color-fastness can be affected. Again, testing a sample will give you an indication of how the color will be affected in very hot water.
- Any knitting that has been properly felted will have a distinct texture. The knitted or crocheted piece becomes very dense and matted. This will be one of the key criteria for determining that felting has occurred.

BASED ON OUR CALCULATIONS

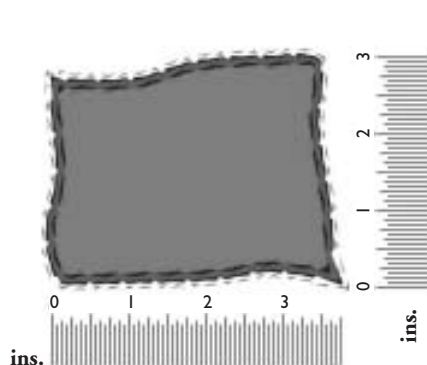
Knit Swatch

After felting, the sample is approx 85% of the width and 75% of the length of the knitted sample before felting.

Knit Swatch Before Felting
(19 sts and 25 rows)



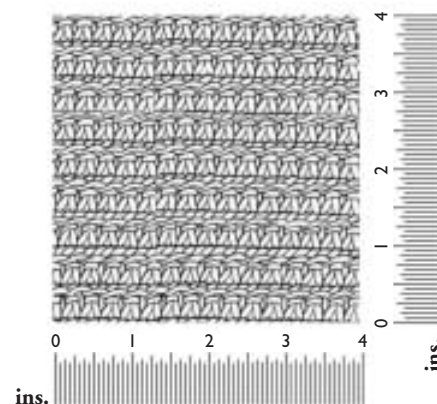
Knit Swatch After Felting



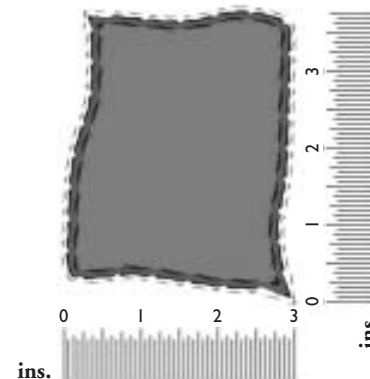
Crochet Swatch

After felting, the sample is approx 80% of the width and 95% of the length of the crocheted sample before felting.

Crochet Swatch Before Felting
(15 sc and 17 rows)



Crochet Swatch After Felting



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