

Zipped pouch



You need: Double-pointed needles of 5 mm. Worsted weigh yarn (remaining). A 15 cm zipper. Fabric for lining (if desired). 4.5 mm crochet.

Basic square

1st row: Cast on (or pickup) 25 sts.

2nd row: Knit 11 sts, 1 sk2po (skip the 1st st, k 2 tog, pass the 1st st over the k2tog), k11.

3rd row (and all uneven numbered rows): k all row (without decrease)

4th row: k 10, 1 sk2po, k 10.

6th row: k 9, 1 sk2po, k 9. Continue this way until there are 3 sts: 1 sk2po. You can change the shape of your pouch by increasing the number of sts in your bs. Ex: If you cast on 31 sts, you subtract 3sts (for the sk2po) and divide the remaining sts in 2.

$31-3=28$, $28:2=14$. Your 1st row will be: k 14, 1 sk2po, k 14. **Change the colors on a right side row (uneven numbered row).**

1st square: Make 1 basic square (bs).

2nd square: Pick up 25 sts along the cast on row of the 1st square (it is your 1st row of bs), and make another bs.

3rd square: Pick up 13 sts along the left side of the 1st square, turn the work (you have the wrong side of the work in front of you) and cast on 12 sts: 1st row of the bs. Continue bs.

4th square: Pick up 13 sts along the half of the bottom of the 2nd square, and pick up 12 sts along right side of the 2nd square: 1st row of bs. Continue bs.

Pick up 25 sts along the remaining sides of 3rd and 4th squares. K 2 rows and bind off all sts. Sew the side of the pouch. Single crochet for 2 rows on the upper part of the pouch. At that point, if your work is 100% wool, you may felt it. Sew a small zipper by hand. You may add a lining inside if desired.

Symmetrical version: Make the 1st and 2nd square twice so you have 2 pieces. Pick up 25 sts along one side of one piece. K 2 rows and bind off all sts. Sew tog the two pieces for they are symmetrical. Make the upper border and all other steps like the other version.