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Trio Tote Bag

This bag would be fun to carry your knitting project, but in 50/50 nylon/polyester tape yarn, it is strong enough for a market bag.

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Materials:

Yarn: TRIO, 55 yds/50 g ball, 50/50 nylon/polyester

2 balls of 2851-kiwi/celery, A

2 balls of 2856-circus/celery, B

Needles: 11 US/8 mm 26"/66 cm circular CPY Bamboo Needles

11 US/8 mm 8"/21 cm double pointed needles

Directions:

With 26" circulars, cast on 79 sts loosely with color A and join to form circle being careful not to twist sts when joining.

Note: A cable cast on is suggested since you will be adding I-cord to this bag edge later.

Begin Bag, knitting from top down: Work in Seed St (k1, p1 for 1 round, then p the ks and k the ps next round, keep reversing sts each round.)

Knit to finish ball of color A.

Tip: Before continuing, make the I-cord handles and top edging on the bag using color B before knitting color B in center band of the body of the bag so that you can use up the rest of Color B in the body of the bag.

Back to body of the bag: Change to color B and continue in Seed St on 79 sts. Use up the rest of Color B from which you made the I-cord handles and trim in the body of the bag.

