

FREE
PATTERNS



KNIT

Balme

knit in [Ultra™ Alpaca](#)
Skill level: [Intermediate](#)



Balme is a knitted pouch with all over cables and tasseled drawstring tie.



[PDF Pattern Instructions](#)

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One size

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Approximately 12" across x 11" high (Not including strap)

MATERIALS

3 Hanks [BERROCO ULTRA ALPACA](#) (100 grs), #6256 Carnelian
Straight knitting needles, sizes 9 (5.50 mm) and 10 1/2 (7.00 mm)
2 Double pointed knitting needles (dpn), size 7 (4.50 mm)
Crochet hook, size 4.50 mm (G)
1 Cable needle (cn)

NOTE

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There are no gauge requirements for this project.

STITCH GLOSSARY

CB4

Sl 2 sts to cn and hold in BACK, k2, then k2 from cn

CABLE PATTERN (Multiple of 10 sts + 4)

Row 1 (RS): K1, * k2, p2, k4, p2, rep from * across, end k3.

Row 2: K1, k the k sts and p the p sts as they face you to last st, end k1.

Row 3: K1, * k2, p2, CB4, p2, rep from * across, end k3.

Row 4: Rep Row 2.

Rep these 4 rows for Cable Pat.

BACK

With larger straight needles, using 2 strands of yarn held tog, cast on 54 sts. Work even in Cable Pat for 7 3/4", end on RS.

Dec Row (WS): K1, * p2, k2, p1, p2 tog, p1, k2, rep from * across, end p2, k1 – 49 ss. Change to smaller straight needles and work even in k2, p2 ribbing for 2", end on WS. Bind off in ribbing.

FRONT

Work same as back.

STRAP/GUSSET

With smaller straight needles, using 2 strands of yarn held tog, cast on 7 sts.

Row 1 (RS): K1, * p1, k1, rep from * across.

Row 2: P1, * k1, p1, rep from * across. Rep these 2 rows until piece measures 50", end on WS. Bind off in ribbing.

FINISHING

Sew cast-on and bound-off ends of Strap/Gusset tog being careful not to twist. Placing seam at center of lower edge, sew side edges of Strap/Gusset to lower and side edges of back and front leaving remaining edge free for strap. Sew side edges of strap tog forming a tube.

Edging: With RS facing, using crochet hook and 2 strands of yarn held tog, beg at side, work in Reverse sc around top edge of bag, join with a sl st in first sc. Fasten off.

I-Cord: With dpn's, using single strand of yarn, cast on 3 sts and work I-Cord as follows:

Row 1: * K3, do not turn work. Slide sts to beg of needle to work next row from RS. Rep from * until cord measures 40". Fasten off. Beg and end at center front, weave I-Cord in and out of first row of ribbing.

Tassels (Make 2): Cut one 8" long strand of yarn and one 12" long strand of yarn. Wrap yarn multiple times around a 3" long piece of cardboard. Cut the lower end to free wrapped strands. Tie the center of strands with 8" long strand. Fold strands in half over tie and wrap 12" long strand around all strands 1" down from top. Tie and draw ends into center of tassel. Tie one tassel to each end of I-Cord.