



## SIZING

The finished tote measures 11" tall and 24" around when not in use. It can stretch considerably. The strap is 30" long.

## MATERIALS

### YARN

160 yards of [Lion Brand Wool Ease in Desert](#) or 320 yards of [Lily Sugar 'n' Cream in Earth](#)

### NEEDLES

US #13/9.00 mm dpn

### NOTIONS

[finishing needle](#)  
[stitch holder](#) (or spare needle)  
[stitch markers](#)

## GAUGE

10 sts x 13 rows = 4" x 4"  
in Stockinette stitch

This beach bag will stretch to accommodate your flip-flops, swimsuit, sunscreen, and towel! It fits comfortably on your shoulder without digging in, even when the bag is full.

Oversize needles and stretchy lace make for a speedy knit.

## PATTERN

This tote is knit in the round from the bottom up, beginning with working a flat base. Once the body is worked, the strap is worked on one side and joined to the other.

## ABBREVIATIONS

BO - bind off  
CO - cast on  
k - knit  
kwise - knitwise  
M1 - make one stitch knitwise; single stitch increase  
p - purl  
PM - place marker  
RS - right side  
st(s) - stitch(es)  
WS - wrong side  
yo - yarn over

## SETUP

CO 9 sts and join in the round, using care not to twist.

Knit setup round: \*k3, pm\* to end

## BASE

These two rounds form the base:

- 1 - \*k to 1 st before m, M1, k1, slip m\*
- 2 - k all

Work these two rounds 13 times total [48 sts].

## BODY

These six rounds form the body:

- 1 - p all
- 2 - p all
- 3 - p all
- 4 - k all
- 5 - \*yo twice, k1\* to end
- 6 - k all, dropping the yo stitches from the previous round rather than working them

Work these six rounds 5 times total [48 sts].

Work rounds 1 to 3 once more, then work strap.

## STRAP

The strap pattern mirrors the body pattern, but with less elasticity. It is worked back and forth.

\*BO 19 sts kwise, k5\* twice

You now have 10 live stitches in two sets of 5. Place the first set on a stitch holder and continue working with the second set.

These six rows form the strap pattern:

- 1 - p all (RS)
- 2 - k all
- 3 - \*yo twice, k1\*
- 4 - p all, dropping the yo stitches from the previous row rather than working them
- 5 - p all
- 6 - k all

Repeat these six rows until the strap reaches 30" or desired length. Graft the set of live stitches to the set of held stitches.

## FINISHING

Weave in ends. Block if desired.

## Additional Resources

[Add to Your Ravelry Queue](#)  
[Contact the Designer](#)

[Join Our Facebook Group](#)

## Find Us on Social Media

[Facebook](#) | [Instagram](#) | [Pinterest](#) | [Ravelry](#) | [Twitter](#) | [YouTube](#)