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Skill Level ▮▮▯▯
EASY

Finished Size
11½ inches high x 14 inches wide x
2 inches deep

Materials
- Worsted weight wool yarn*
  (220 yds/100g per skein): 1
  skein each deep turquoise #7813 (A),
  white #8505 (B), light blue #7815 (C),
  red #8895 (D), light gold #7827 (E), light
  green #7814 (F), black #8555 (G), terra-
  cotta #9495 (H), and blue #9485 (I)
- Size 7 (4.5 mm) needles or size needed
  to obtain gauge
- Size F/7 (3.75mm) crochet hook
- Stitch holder
- 1 pair rope-style handles* (5½ inches)
  Art #43436

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*Sample project was completed with
Cascade 220 Wool (100% Peruvian high-
land wool) from Cascade Yarns, and han-
dles from Erica's Craft & Sewing Center.

Cinco de Mayo Tote

SOUTH-OF-THE-BORDER COLORS MIX IN A TOTE TO CARRY FOR ALL OCCASIONS.

Gauge
23 sts and 54 rows = 4 inches in Slipped Seed st.

Note: The row gauge of 54 rows = 4 inches is correct. Since only half of the sts are knit on every row, it takes 2 rows to add height.
Exact gauge is not critical for this project.

Special Abbreviations
Yarn front (yfwd)
Yarn back (wyib)

Pattern Notes
Slip all stitches purlwise, with the yarn on the wrong side (WS) of work when slipping stitches.

On right side (RS) rows, leave yarn at the back; on wrong side (WS) rows, move it forward to slip and back to knit.

Pattern Stitch
Slipped Seed Stitch (odd number of sts)
Row 1 (RS): K1, *sl 1p, k1; rep from * across.
Row 2 (WS): K1, *yfwd, sl 1p, wyib, k1; rep from * across.
Row 3: K2, *sl 1p, k1; rep from * to last st; k1.

Row 4: K2, *yfwd, sl 1p, wyib, k1; rep from * to last st; k1.
Rep Rows 1–4 for pat.

Stripe Pattern
32 rows A
10 rows B
10 rows C
32 rows D
10 rows E
10 rows F
32 rows G
10 rows H
10 rows B
32 rows I

Front/Back
Make 2 alike
With A, cast on 69 sts.
Work in Slipped Seed pat in Stripe pat as given. Bind off.

Gusset
With G, cast on 11 sts.
Work in Slipped Seed pat until gusset is as long as cast-on edge, 1 long side edge and bound-off edge of front/back piece. Place sts on holder.

With RS facing, sew 1 long edge of gusset to front across short side, across long edge where color

changes were made, and across other short edge. Adjust length of gusset if necessary and bind off.

Sew other long edge of gusset to back piece in same way. (Stripe pat will be reversed for back and front.)

Turn bag inside out and reinforce seams by slip stitching exposed edges tog with crochet hook and G.

Top Edging
Note: If not familiar with the single crochet (sc) and reverse single crochet (reverse sc) sts, refer to Crochet Class.

Rnd 1: With crochet hook, join G at 1 seam joining and work *sc in next st, [sc in next st and draw up loop] twice, yo and draw through all 3 loops on hook; rep from * around top edge.
Rnd 2: Working from left to right, sc in each st around for reverse sc edge. Fasten off.

Finishing
Referring to photo for placement, sew handles to front and back pieces with matching yarn and overcast st. ∎