

# 215ss-09 Hard Basket A



## Suggested yarn:

- Pierrot Yarns Heat+ [100% polyester; 113 yds./103m per 1.41 oz./40g cone];
  - color #09 white, 7 cones [250g]
  - color #04 lemon yellow, 1 cone [25g]
  - color #08 dark gray, 1 cone [25g]

## Tools/Notions:

- 6.6mm (approx. US 10.5) knitting needles or size necessary to achieve gauge
- 6.0mm (US J) crochet hook or size necessary to achieve gauge
- bamboo circular purse handles (13cm/5.12" diameter)
- cardboard 11cm/4.33" x 22cm/8.66"

## Finished measurements:

- Please refer to finishing schematic.

## Gauge (10cm/4" square):

- stockinette stitch (after steam blocking): 16 sts and 21 rows
- stockinette stitch (before steam blocking): 14 sts and 17 rows

*Gauge may vary according to individual knitting style. Change needle size if necessary to achieve gauge. Alternatively, rework pattern with your own gauge measurements.*

## Summary

✳️**Note:** Entire body of basket is worked with 2 strands of yarn held together. Decorative embroidery worked with 6 strands of yarn held together.

**Bag:** Cast on with crochet provisional cast-on method. Work bottom and gussets in stockinette stitch. Decrease 1 stitch at each side of section A. For sections B and C, decrease 1 stitch and shape with short rows. Work sections A, B and C as one piece. Continue to section D, then bind off loosely. Remove provisional cast-on edge and work other side of bag in the same manner.

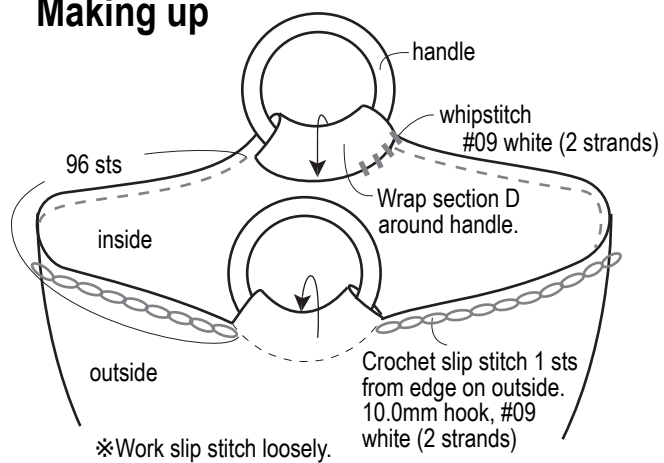
**Making up:** Seam sections B and C to gusset at side center stitch using crochet slip stitch seam. With colors #04 and #08, embroider bag with running stitch. At each side, wrap first row of section D around handle and seam in place with whipstitch.

**Steam blocking:** Suggested yarn stiffens and shrinks when blocked with steam. As different sections may shrink more than others, adjust as you block. Take care when using steam iron. Insert a piece of thick paper or cardboard into bottom of bag (in same size as bottom of bag), then steam bag from outside (with right side facing you). After bottom fabric is hardened, steam sections A, B, and C from inside. Block and stiffen section around handles as well.

## Abbreviations:

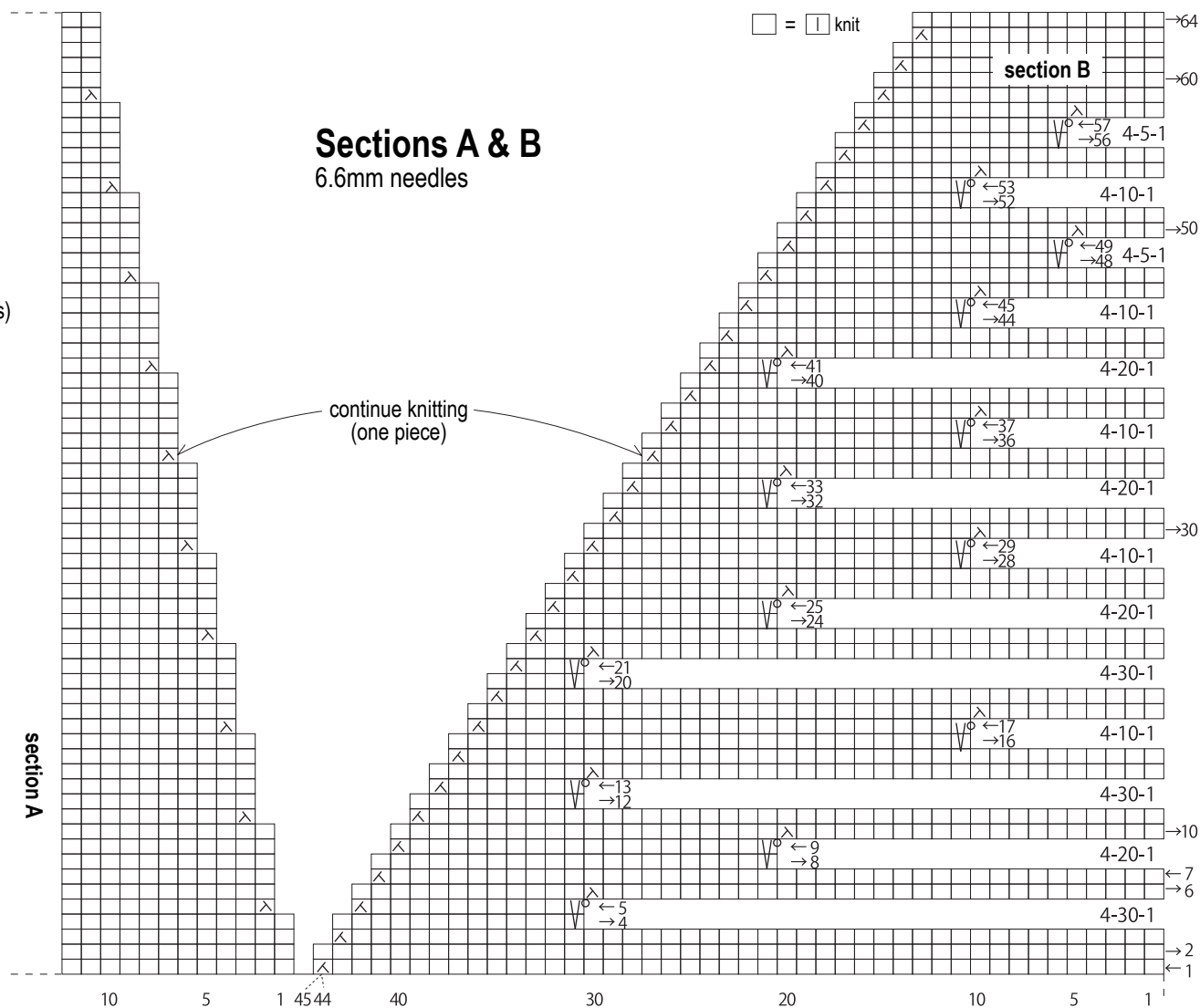
BO = bind off    CO = cast on    k = knit    RE = row(s) even    st st = stockinette stitch    YO = yarn over    #-#-# = rows-stitches-times

## Making up



## Sections A & B

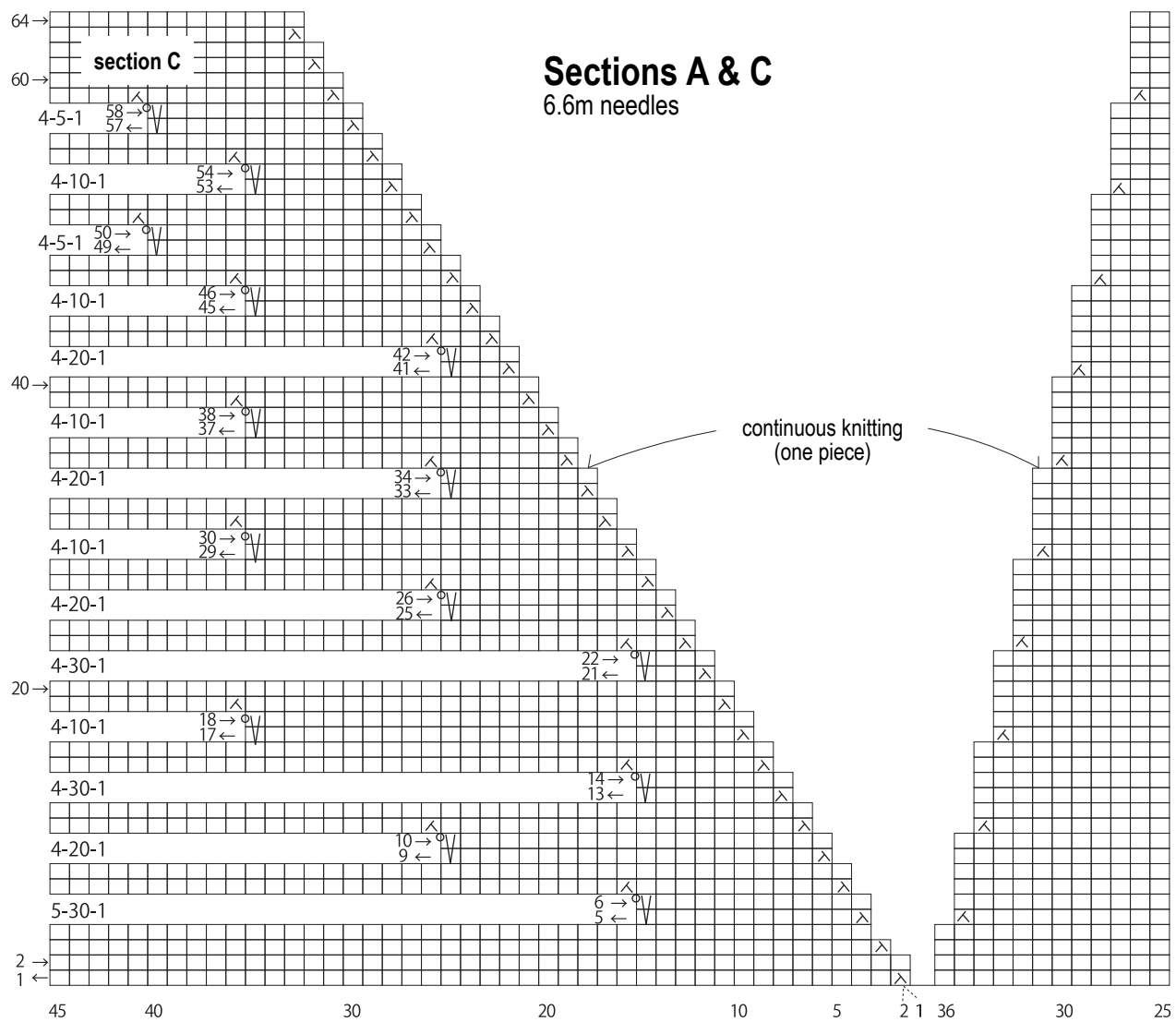
6.6mm needles



6.6mm needles, 2 strands of #09 white

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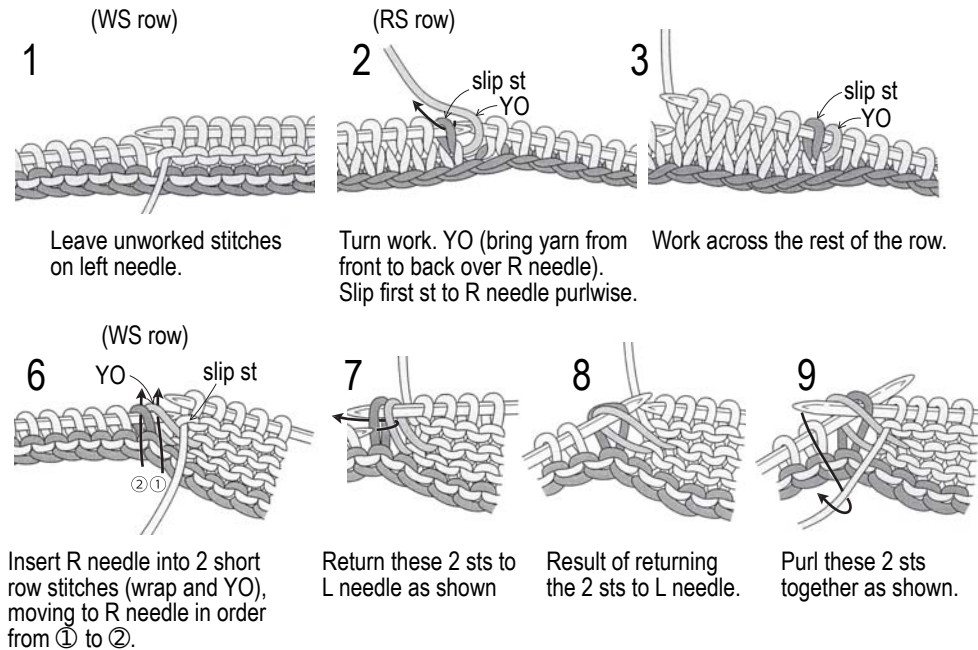
※Adjust number and layout of running stitches to your liking.



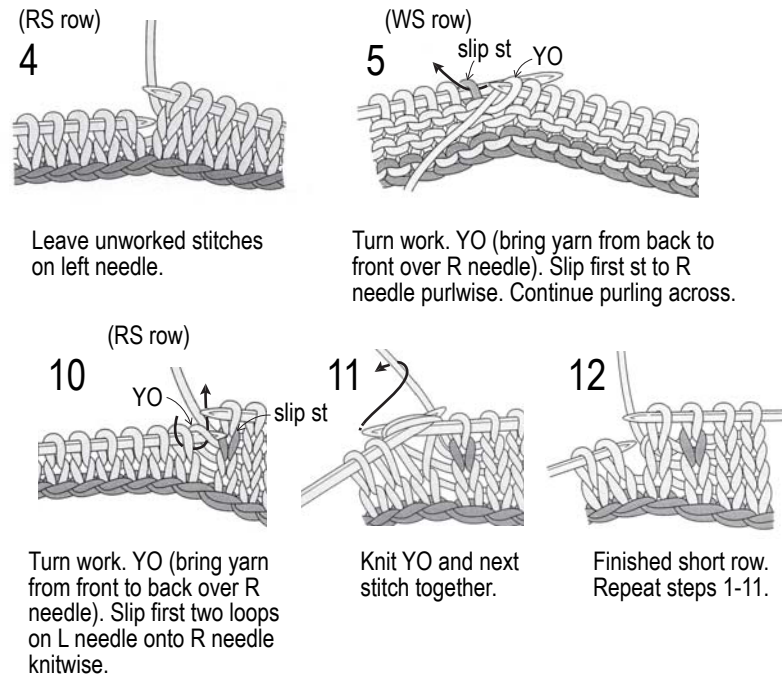
V<sup>o</sup> = slip stitch + YO for short rows

# Hard basket short row shaping

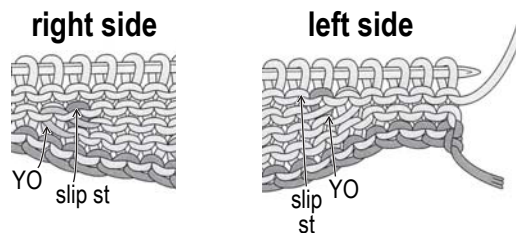
## Right side



## Left side



## Completed short row viewed from wrong side

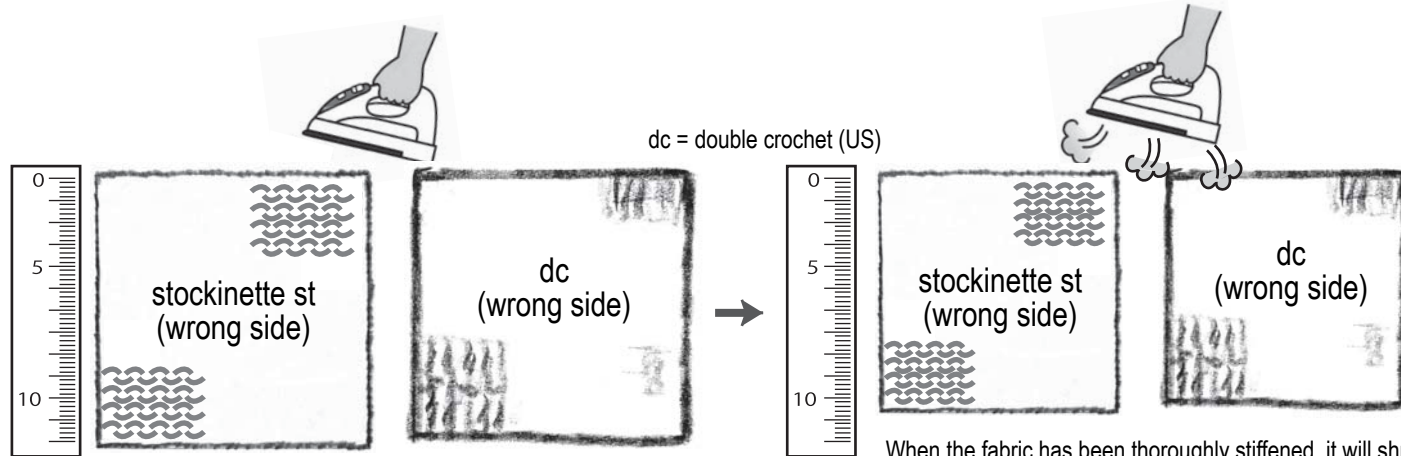


Slip st and YO. YO section is more visible on wrong side.

# — HEAT+ stiffening method (using steam iron) —

**Lightly iron dry fabric without steam.**

**Hold iron slightly above fabric; steam thoroughly.**

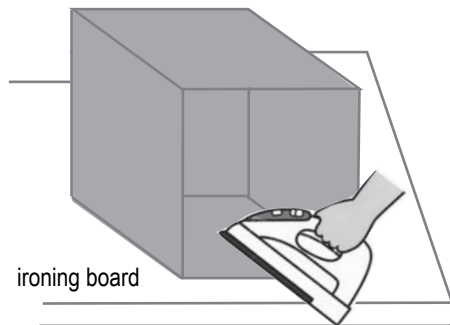


Iron directly on top of flat knitted or crocheted fabric.  
If the fabric is not uniform, stretch the fabric into shape.  
※Set iron to medium heat.

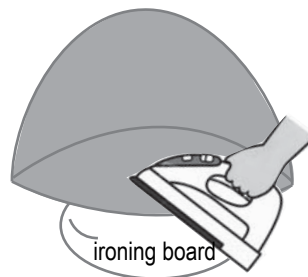
※Adjust the fabric's degree of hardness by adjusting your steam iron's settings. The temperature setting needed to produce steam may vary from medium to high heat depending on your iron.

When the fabric has been thoroughly stiffened, it will shrink about 10%.  
Amount of shrinkage will depend on individual stitches and stitch patterns.

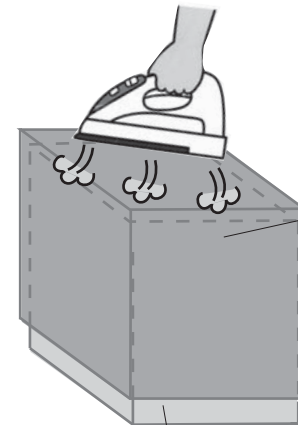
## How to iron cubes and round objects



※Block flat items with an iron (without steam) first. Depending on the object, there may be times when you want to steam it first.



※When ironing, don't use a towel or other fabric that will pill or transfer fluff onto your item. Fuzz may stick to the item as the item shrinks and stiffens.



Place item on top of mold, then steam thoroughly with iron.



Use bowl or other round item to steam round objects. (Be sure that the item can withstand steam from iron.)