# tricot14-8 Knitted Basket Bag



### Suggested yarn:

- Pierrot Yarns Fuwa Fuwa Bagel [85% acrylic, 15% wool; 49 yds/45m per 1.41 oz./40g skein]; color #03 sesame, 3 skeins [120g]
- Pierrot Yarns Miel [100% jute; 120 yds/110m per 3.88 oz./110g skein]; color #5 cork, 3 skeins [270g]

### **Tools/Notions:**

- 3.5mm (US E) crochet hook or size necessary to achieve gauge
- 6.3mm (approx. US 10½) and 7.0mm (between US 10½ and 11) knitting needles or size necessary to achieve gauge
- cable needle
- 2 pieces of vinyl rope for handles (each 6mm/0.24" thick and 36cm/14.2" long)

### **Finished measurements:**

- width 36cm/14.2"
- depth 21cm/8.3"

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

- double crochet (US): 18.5cm and 8 rounds
- pattern stitch (for knitted cover piece only): 15.5 sts and 19.5 rows

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

### **Summary**

**Note:** Like all Japanese patterns, stitch counts given here for foundation chains do not include any chain sts needed for turning posts.

**Body of bag:** With crochet hook, work foundation chain to begin. Work bottom piece in pattern stitch in the round, increasing as indicated. Continue to side, working pattern stitch (dc and hdc) back-and-forth in joined rounds. First round of side should be worked tbl.

Cover (make 2): With knitting needles, work long-tail cast-on and then work in k1p1 ribbing, then pattern stitch, then k1p1 ribbing. Bind off. After making second cover piece, seam the sides of the two pieces together with mattress stitch to form a tube shape.

**Handle (make 2):** With crochet hook, work foundation chain to begin. Work handle in pattern stitch in the round, increasing as indicated. Wrap handle around one piece of vinyl rope and seam long ends of handle together with whipstitch (thus encasing the rope in the handle). Wrap Fuwa Fuwa Bagel around handle as indicated.

**Finishing:** Fold mouth of bag to right side at fold line indicated on schematic. Seam the last round of the mouth to the last round of dc sts with whipstitch. Place the knitted cover over the crocheted bag; fasten bottom and top of cover to bag as indicated in finishing schematic. Fasten handles to bag.

#### Abbreviations:

ch = chain

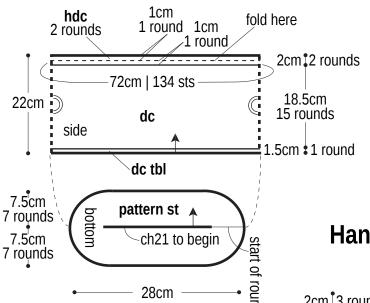
dc = double crochet (US)

hdc = half double crochet (US)

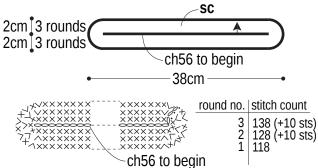
sc = single crochet (US)

tbl = through back loop only

# Body of bag 3.5mm hook, Miel



# Handle (make 2) 3.5mm hook, Miel



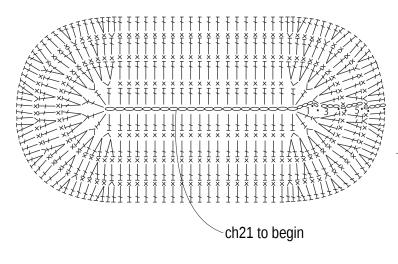
Whipstitch 30cm section at center with Miel.

36cm piece of vinyl rope (6mm thick)



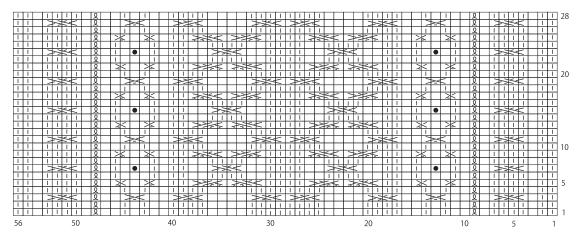
After handle is seamed around rope, use Fuwa Fuwa Bagel to work buttonhole stitch 60 times around 16cm center section of the handle, taking care that there are no gaps between stitches.

## Bottom of bag pattern stitch



round no.	stitch count
7	134
6	118
5	102
4	86 (work even)
3	86 (+24 sts)
2	62 (+12 sts)
1	50

## Pattern stitch for cover



= C4F

= C4B

= C3F with middle purl (slip 1 to cable needle and hold in front, slip 1 to another cable needle and hold in back, k1, p1 from back cable needle, k1 from front cable needle = C4Fp (slip 2 to cable needle & hold in front, p2, k2 from cable needle)

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= C4Bp (slip 2 to cable needle & hold in back, k2, p2 from cable needle)

= C2Fp (slip 1 to cable needle & hold in front, p1, k1 from cable needle)

= C2Bp (slip 1 to cable needle & hold in back, k1, p1 from cable needle)

