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Mermaid's Pouch

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Yarn: Sari Ribbon 50g: 3 skeins

Needles: Sz 13, 16" circular, Sz P or huge crochet hook (optional—you can use your fingers)

Notions: yarn needle, cotton sewing thread, large focal button

Gauge: 2.5 sts = 1" (approximately)

Measurements: 9" by 9", strap measures 36"

Bag body:

CO 40 sts. Join in the round taking care not to twist. Knit every round until you have a tube measuring 9 inches. Divide the stitches on two needles and use a three-needle bind-off to finish.

Strap:

Leave a 6" tail and with Sari Ribbon doubled use a large crochet hook (or your fingers) and chain a 36" length. The strap doesn't need to be tight stitches, just enough for strength. Cut ribbons leaving two 6" tails. Securely sew one end on each side of your bag.

Button & Loop:

Sew your button in place. In the sample shown the button is 2.5" down the front of the bag. With one strand of Sari Ribbon, chain a 9 inch length. Sew the ends together. Next, use a 12-16" strip of Sari Ribbon to wrap about half of the loop, starting at the sewn end. Leave a open loop large enough to fit around your button. Sew this wrapped strip in place. Secure the button loop about an inch down the inside back of your bag.

Tips for working with recycled silk yarn:

- It is easier to work from a hand rolled ball
- As soon as you can, weave in your cast-on tail to keep it from catching on your working yarn.
- If your yarn is over-twisted, letting out some of the twist will make it easier to work with and maximize your yardage. The easiest way to do this is by putting a rubber band around your ball and dangling it (or your knitting, whichever is smaller at the time) allowing it to turn and untwist the working yarn.

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