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## Materials

### Yarn —

Bulky, feltable animal fiber (e.g., wool, mohair, alpaca)

- 125 – 200 yds. bulky weight OR  
250 – 400 yds. of worsted weight

**Bag:** 85–125/170–250 yds.

**Trivet/Pot Holder:** 20–25/  
40–50 yds.

**Basket:** 50–85/100–170 yds.

**Optional:** Novelty yarn to add

### Needles:

16" Circular OR double-points to achieve yarn gauge of 3 sts/1" (Usually US#13/9mm)

### Notions:

Minimum 1 stitch ring marker  
Yarn darning needle

### Felting Instructions:

- Place item to felt in a pillow case or lingerie bag.
- Wash with hottest water possible at greatest agitation setting on small load with something else to create agitations such as 6 tennis balls, a pair of old jeans or several old towels (in case dye bleeds).
- Repeat wash until felted to desired density. Block.

# AMY's Quick Felted Gifts

**For Worsted Weight Yarn:** Hold two strands of the feltable yarn throughout while knitting. If adding the novelty yarn, hold two strands of the feltable yarn and 1 strand of the novelty.

## Small Tote Bag

**To make handles:** Knit 2 three-stitch I-chords 18" long for handles with the feltable yarn

**To make bag:**

1. Cast on 20 stitches.
2. Knit 18 garter stitch ridges (36 rows of knit stitch). This is the base of your bag.
3. Pick up stitches around the other 3 sides of the base (18–20 per side). Join to continue knitting in the round and place marker.
4. Knit in the round until bag is 11"/18cm tall.
5. Add novelty yarn to feltable yarn, if desired, and continue knitting holding the two yarns together for another 3"/8cm.
6. Drop the novelty yarn. Purl the next 2 rounds and then bind off.
7. Sew the handles onto the bag corners on opposite sides and felt.

## Trivet/Pot Holder

1. Cast on 20 stitches.
2. Knit in garter stitch for 40 rows.
3. Bind off and felt.

**NOTE:** You can change colors and yarns as desired, but remember that not all yarns felt the same. You may need to block or trim after felting. You can also embellish with a different colored border by picking up stitches all around and then binding off, or crocheting a border around the edge.

## Basket

1. Follow instructions 1–3 for the Small Tote Bag.
2. Knit in the round until the basket is 3"/8cm tall.
3. If desired, add novelty yarn or switch to different color. In any case, knit 2"/5cm more.
4. Bind off and felt. \*

\* If you wish to add a felted handle, make a 4-5 stitch I-chord 12-14"/30-36cm long and attach from one side to the opposite. You can also attach wooden, twig, cable or other handles after felting.