Knit purse

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Boston: N.D. Whitney & Co., 73 pgs. microfiched at Harvard University, Widener Library, scans photo edited by Judith Combs may 2007. Thorough explanations on the construction of knitted stockings, along with fancy patterns for sweaters, blankets, trimmings and baby items.

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KNIT PURSE.

Material. — Knitting silk.
Cast 59 stitches. Knit first row plain.
2d row. — Seam two stitches together, put thread over, knit
the last stitch. Repeat this row till you have 65 rows.
83 rows plain, then 64 rows like the second, and one row
plain. Bind off. Sew ends, leaving an opening 2½ inches on
one side. Always keep 59 stitches.

Cast on 59 stitches. Knit first row plain.

Second row: Seam two together, thread over, across the row; knit the last stitch.

Repeat this row till there are 65 rows.

Knit 83 rows plain. Knit 64 rows like the second row. Bind off. Gather and sew the ends; sew the sides, leaving an opening in the middle of two and a half inches.

Always keep 59 stitches on the needle.

Deutsch: 59 Maschen anschlagen. Die erste Reihe rechts stricken.

Zweite Reihe: *2 M links zummenstricken, 1 Umschlag * wdhl. Letzte M re

Die 2. Reihe 65 mal stricken. 83 Reihen glatt rechts stricken. 64 Reihen wie die 2. stricken,d abketten.

Raffen und die Enden zusammennähen; die Seiten zusammennähen, in der Mitte eine Öffnung von ca. 6,5 cm offen lassen.

Es sind immer 59 Maschen auf der Nadel.

Explanation of stitches, and abbreviations found in most directions: -k. = Knit plain.

p. = Purl, or, as it is often called, seam. Throw the thread over the needle (which will bring it in front of the work). Insert the right-hand needle into the stitch exactly opposite of the usual way and knit. Always keep the thread in front of the work instead of back as usual.

n. = Narrow. To decrease or narrow is simply to knit two stitches together.

 $k \ 2 \ to. = Knit \ two \ together \ or \ narrow.$

sl. = Slip a stitch from the left needle to the right without knitting it.

sl. and b. = Slip and bind. Slip one stitch, knit the next, then pass the slipped stitch over the knit stitch. This is also called cast off.

o. = Throw the thread over the needle.

This also will make one if the next stitch is knitted as usual and in the next row this thread over is knitted as a stitch.