# My First Knitting Project:

## **Knitted Coin Purse**

Skill Level: Beginner

**Size:** Depends on how tight you knit (gauge)

**Needles:** Size 8 knitting needles

Yarn: 30 feet of "Worsted Weight" yarn, or more for looser gauge

Gauge: 5 stitches per inch – Use more yarn if you have less stitches per inch

Stitches used: The "Garter Stitch", which means using only the knit stitch



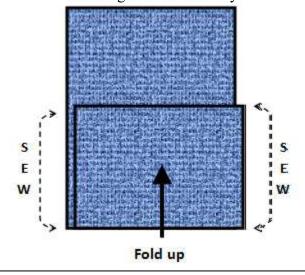
#### **Knitting**

Cast on, knit stitch, and bind off instructions available at Craft Yarn Council of America at: <a href="http://www.learntoknit.com/instructions">http://www.learntoknit.com/instructions</a> kn.php3

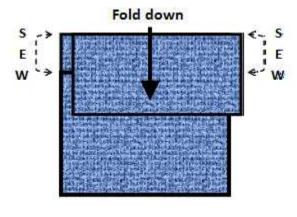
- Cast on 15 stitches
- Knit 15 stitches on each row until the fabric is about 4 to 6 inches long (twice the length of your finished coin purse)
- Knit another 10 to 20 rows for the front flap
- Bind off the stitches

#### **Assembling**

- Fold the bottom up for the purse body
- Sew the sides together with extra yarn



- Fold the top down for the flap, leave an inch of overlap above the top of the purse body
- Sew the sides of the overlap together



### **Finishing**

- Flap Closure
  - Leave as is or
  - o Sew 1 or 2 snaps to the flap or
  - Attach Velcro to the flap

- Strap
  - o Leave it as is or
  - Sew ribbon, trim, or other cord to the back of the purse to make a hand or shoulder strap