

No Swatch, No Gauge Mittens

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Intended for charity knitting.
"Every pair will fit some child!"

Materials

Yarn and dpns to make a dense fabric of 4 to 6 sts per inch. The mittens pictured used the following yarns and needles:

1. Worsted-weight yarn, US5 ndls
2. Two strands of fingering-weight yarn held together, US4 ndls
3. 3-ply tapestry yarn, US6 ndls (with a simple knit and purl pattern stitch)
4. One strand fingering-weight, one strand sportweight held together, US5 ndls
5. Worsted-weight yarn, US 5 ndls
6. Heavy worsted-weight (Aran-weight) yarn, US6 ndls
7. 3-ply tapestry yarn, US6 ndls

Quantity (approximate): Mitten #5 will use 140-155 yds of worsted-weight yarn to make a *pair* of mittens. Use your leftovers and scraps, allowing for this measurement.

Abbreviations: **Dpns:** double-pointed needles; **Inc:** increase **K:** knit; **K2tog:** knit 2 sts together; **Kfb:** knit into front & back of st (1 st increased) – may be substituted with any other inc; **Ndls:** needles; **P:** purl; **PSSO:** pass slipped stitch over knit stitch (1 st decreased) **Sl 1:** slip one st purl-wise (unless otherwise specified); **Sts:** stitches; [...] repeat enclosed instructions as specified.

DIRECTIONS

Note: Left and right mittens are knitted the same.

Cast on 36 stitches loosely. Divide onto 3 needles and join, being careful not to twist the stitches. Mark the beginning of the round.

Cuff

Work 22 rounds in ribbing. Either K1P1 ribbing or K2P2 ribbing is fine. Use your favorite.

Shape Thumb Gusset

Round 1: K1, P1, K3, P1; K to end of round.

Rounds 2 and 3: Repeat Round 1.

Round 4: K1, P1, kfb, K1, kfb, P1; K to end of round. —38 sts

Rounds 5 and 6: K1, P1, K5, P1; K to end of round.



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Round 7: K1, P1, kfb, K3, kfb, P1; K to end of round. — 40 sts

Rounds 8 and 9: K1, P1, K7, P1; K to end of round.

Round 10: K1, P1, kfb, K5, kfb, P1; K to end of round. — 42 sts

Rounds 11 and 12: K1, P1, K9, P1; K to end of round

Round 13: K1, P1, kfb, K7, kfb, P1; K to end of round. — 44 sts

Rounds 14 and 15: K1, P1, K11, P1; K to end of round.

Save Out Stitches for Thumb

Round 16: K2, place next 11 stitches on a holder; cast on 3 stitches; K to end of round.

Make the Hand

Work even on 36 sts for 22 rounds.

Shape Top of Hand

Round 1: [Sl 1, K1, PSSO, K4] 6 times. — 30 sts

Rounds 2 and 3: Knit even.

Round 4: [Sl 1, K1, PSSO, K3] 6 times. — 24 sts

Round 5: Knit even.

Round 6: [Sl 1, K1, PSSO, K2] 6 times. — 18 sts

Round 7 Knit even.

Round 8: [Sl 1, K1, PSSO, K1] 6 times. — 12 sts

Round 9: (Sl1, K1, PSSO) 6 times. — 6 sts

Break off yarn and thread the yarn through the remaining 6 sts. Draw yarn up tightly and fasten off.

Making the Thumb

Attach yarn at top of thumb gusset to work the thumb. The thumb is worked in the round on 16 sts. Here is where those 16 sts come from: 11 stitches that you saved onto a holder, 1 st picked up between the holder and the cast-on sts at beginning of the hand, 3 sts picked up across the cast-on sts at beginning of the hand, 1 st picked up between the cast-on sts at beginning of the hand and the holder

Divide these stitches onto 3 needles.

Knit even for 11 rounds.

Shape Top of Thumb

Round 1: [K2tog] 8 times. — 8 sts

Round 2: Knit even.

Round 3: [K2tog] 4 times. — 4 sts

Break off yarn and thread the yarn through the remaining 4 stitches. Draw yarn up tightly and fasten off. Weave in yarn ends. Steam lightly or block as necessary.

Make second mitten.

Note: For donation, please tie mittens together with a length of yarn or ribbon. Thanks!



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