

Lazy Mittens



Yarn: approximately 160-180yd total

I used Cascade 220

Needles: 4.5mm (US size 7) double pointed needles

Gauge: 10 stitches x 10 rows = 2.5" x 2.5"

Finished measurements (mittens are stretchy, fits a woman's small-large hand)

Before thumb circumference

9"

Cuff length

2"

After thumb circumference

7"

Mitten length

6.5"

Instructions

- CO 42 sts – Use the German Twist method
- *Section 1* – Cuff - working flat, knit 10 rows of the horizontal herringbone st
- *Section 2* – Hand to thumb – Knit in pattern
- *Section 3* – Thumb – section 12 stitches and k 12 rounds – close with the kitchener stitch
- *Section 4* – Hand – follow pattern
- *Section 5* – Decrease fingers and close with the Kitchener stitch
- *Finish* – Sew up gap along wrist

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Section 1 – *Cuff* – worked flat



Fig 1 – Horizontal herringbone, worked for 10 rows

<http://newstitchaday.com/horizontal-herringbone-stitch/>

1. *Ssk, drop the first stitch off the needle *rep from to last stitch, k1
2. *P2tog, drop the first stitch off the needle *rep from to last stitch, p1
3. Repeat rows 1-2 for 10 rows, or until desired length

Section 2 – *Hand to thumb* – worked in the round

Pattern – the Lazy Links Stitch

Cluster 6:

- K2,p2,k2
- Slip these 6 sts on a cable needle
- Wrap yarn twice CCW around these 6 sts
- Slip these 6 sts back onto your needle

Make one stitch every 2 rows along the palm side (increasing by a total of 6sts)

1. Join the stitches in the round and k 10 sts (this will line up our cuff seam along the palm wrist)
2. Place a st marker: K2 *[p2, k2] *rep five times total. (this sets up the pattern along the back of the hand)
3. K in the round until you reach the st marker
4. At stitch marker: K2 *[p2, k2] *rep five times total
5. At stitch marker: K2 *[cluster 6, p2] *rep a total of three times
6. Repeat step 4 for two rounds
7. K2, p2 *[cluster 6, p2] *rep a total of two times
8. Repeat step 4 for two rounds
9. Repeat steps 5-8 for a total of 10 rows

Section 3 – *Thumb* – worked in the round



Fig 2 – palm of glove and thumb

You should now have 22 sts in the pattern, and 26 sts across the palm.

Right hand:

1. At the end of the hand pattern, separate 12 sts out for the thumb
2. Separate these sts onto 2 needles (6 each) and knit in the round for 12 rounds (or the height of your thumb)
3. Close the thumb with the Kitchener stitch (*see section 5*)

Left hand:

1. K until 12 stitches before the pattern.
2. Separate these 12 sts onto 2 needles (6 each) and knit in the round for 12 rounds (or the height of your thumb)
3. Close the thumb with the Kitchener stitch (*see section 5*)

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Section 4 – *Hand* – worked in the round

Pattern – the Lazy Links Stitch

1. Pick up 4 sts along the inside of the thumb
2. Continue knitting the palm, and following the pattern laid out in section 2 until you reach the top of your pinki finger (in my case 23 rounds from the cuff)

Section 5 – *Decrease Fingers*

If you are worried the mitten will be to short, simply knit a few extra rows before starting the decrease stage

Decrease finger section

1. Split your sts to two needles with 23sts on the pattern needle, and 15 sts on the palm needle (pay close attention to ensure that the sts split into the pattern and palm sides of the mitten, symmetrically, with the thumb on the correct side)
Pattern side:
 - a. When you reach the st marker: K2, k2tog, k2tog, k2, k2tog, k2 k2tog, k2, k2tog, k2tog, k2
 - b. k next round
 - c. k1, k2tog. K until 3 before the end of the needle, k2tog, k1.
 - d. Repeat steps b-c until 7 stitches remain on the needle**Palm side:**
 - a. k1, k2tog. K until 3 before the end of the needle, k2tog, k1.
 - b. k next round
 - c. Repeat steps a-b until 7 stitches remain on each needle

Kitchener Stitch

1. Cut a tail of yarn 2 feet long, and thread a tapestry needle
2. (With the yarn coming out of the right side of the back needle) go through the first st on the front needle as if to k, and drop it off the needle
3. Go through the next st as if to p (leave it on the needle)
4. Go through the first st on the back needle as if to p, and drop it off the needle
5. Go through the next stitch as if to k (leave it on the needle)
6. Repeat steps 2-5 until you have one stitch remaining
7. Go through your last st as if to k and slid it off the needle. Pull on your yarn to get the desired tension.

