

Handspun Gauntlets

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These are very simple ½ mittens that are essentially a tube with a hole for the thumb. You do the shaping by changing the size of needle rather than by increasing. The gauntlets are a good first project for someone learning how to knit in the round or wanting a quick fix.

Follow the pursuits of a fibre artist committed to making clothing items from locally sourced wool, llama & alpaca. Hand-spun, knit & dyed in Glen Valley, BC.

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Yarn

The hand spun yarn used in the pattern was Chunky weight #5 - approx 2 oz/55g

Needles

2 sets of double pointed needles, size US6/4mm and size US7/5mm

Notions

tapestry needle

Gauge

Using smaller needles, in St st, 14 sts and 18 rows = 4"/10cm.

To save time, take time to check your gauge.

List of Abbreviations

St st– stockinette stitch



Make two identical gauntlets.

CUFF

Using smaller needles, cast on 27 stitches, 9 on each needle. Join in the round being careful not to twist the stitches. Knit in stockinette pattern for 3"/7.5cm.

WRIST

Purl the next three rounds – reverse stockinette.

SECTION TO THUMB

Change to larger needles and knit stockinette pattern for another two inches/5cm or until you reach the base of the thumb.

THUMB

On needle 1, knit 3, bind off the next 3 stitches and knit the rest of the round. On the next round, on needle 1, knit 3, cast on 3 stitches using backwards loops and knit the rest of the round.

HAND

Keep knitting until you reach the desired length. Some like their gauntlets to end at the base of the fingers, some like their gauntlets longer, about 1/2 ways up the fingers.

Bind off in purl stitch, this way the ends won't roll.

Weave in ends and gently block.