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Fair Isle Wrist Warmers

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Colourful, decorative and practical—these Fair Isle wristlets have a lovely snug lining for extra cosiness.

Measurements

Length - 8.5 cms / 3.25 inches (excluding picots)

Circumference - approxiamately 20 cms / 8 inches



Requirements

4 ply yarn for lining - I used Rowan Cashsoft 4 ply in cream.

4 ply yarn for Fair Isle pattern in 9 different colours.

I used Rowan Fine Tweed, with Buckden (light grey) as the main shade and the following colours as contrasts-

Pendle (black)

Leyburn (yellow)

Burnsall (dark burgundy)

Hubberholme (green)

Bell Busk (cream)

Settle (medium burgundy)

Nappa (pale blue)

Hawes (pink)

Waste yarn for provisional cast on

Double pointed needles in size 3.25mm.



Spare double pointed needles for unzipping provisional cast on (alternatively two circular needles could be used)

Tapestry needle

Tension

25 sts to 10 cms

Abbreviations

K - knit

P - purl

DPN s - double pointed needles

Sts - stitches

RH - right hand

LH - left hand



WRISTLET

With 3.25mm DPNs, waste yarn and yarn for lining and using a provisional cast on, cast on 48 sts and join for working in the round.

Knit 1 round.

Work 26 rounds in k1 p1 rib.

Knit 1 round.

Break off lining yarn and join in main shade and work 1 knit round, 1 purl round and 1 knit round.

Changing colours as required, work 28 rounds from chart, working the 8 stitch pattern repeat 6 times across the round.

Using a tapestry needle, tidy all ends.

Fold lining to inside so that the round of purl stitches is at the bottom edge. Unzip provisional cast on and place all sts on spare DPNs. Place the sets of needles parallel to each other (the needle holding the Fair Isle stitches will be at the front, the needle holding the ribbed lining will be at the back). Knit one stitch from each needle together to join. (48 sts)

Picot cast off - cast off 2 stitches, [pass the stitch on the RH needle back to the LH needle, cast on 2 sts, cast off 5 sts] to end.

To complete the picot edge on the other side, pick up the loops on the folded edge of

the purl round. (48 sts)

Complete the picot cast off as before.



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