

Ivy Mittens

Materials:

2 skeins Lamb's Pride Bulky MC (black)

1 skein Lamb's Pride Bulky CC (red)

small amount of green yarn

size 13 DPN

darning needle



With 2 strands of CC, cast on 22 stitches. Divide stitches 11, 6, and 5 on each needle. Join into round and purl 1 row, knit 1 row. Change to 2 strands of MC and knit 10 rounds. With CC, purl 1 row, knit 1 row. Then knit 5 rows alternating by k1 MC, k1 CC around. Cut CC and knit 4 rounds of MC.

Divide for thumb:

For right mitten, place first 5 stitches on a stitch holder. For left mitten, knit around to last 5 sts and place those on a holder. Cast on 5 stitches directly over the opening using backward loop cast-on. Continue knitting for another 15 rounds.

Shape top:

Needle 1: k2tog, knit to last 2 sts, ssk

Needle 2: k2tog, knit to end

Needle 3: knit to last 2 sts, ssk.

Repeat this decrease round EVERY round until 6 stitches remain. Cut yarn leaving a 8" tail. Draw yarn thru remaining sts and pull tight.

For thumb:

Place sts on holder onto one DPN. With MC, pick up and knit 5 sts from opposite side and place on two other DPNs. Knit in round for 10 rounds. K2tog around once. Cut yarn and draw thru remaining 5 sts.

Weave in ends. Lightly felt by washing in hot water in your washing machine. After dried, embroider ivy in green and make french knots with red in the lower cuff.