Tsuki's Handspun Fingerless Mittens

Yarn

I had a small amount (less than 30g) of handspun yarn. It averages about light fingering (a shade more than 14wpi) but it is a bit thick-and-thin.

Needles

I used a set of 5 3mm dpns (US 2.5)

Gauge

30sts to 4"

Size

Small/Medium I usually buy medium ladies gloves, and these are snug on me.



Notes

Use the stretchiest cast on and cast off that you know! I used the long-tail cast on, and a standard cast off. These are worked from the knuckle downwards, so if you have more yarn than I did you can easily make the cuff longer.

Pattern

Fingers section

cast on 46 stitches on three needles and join in the round being careful not to twist. (I put 16 stitches on one needle and 15 on the rest)

work 10 rounds of twisted rib: *k1tbl, p1* repeat to end. Work 15 rounds of plain stockinette (knit all stitches)

Thumb opening

Slip the last stitch you knit onto a new needle.
Using the backwards loop cast on, cast on 16 sts.
Knit one stitch from the next needle onto this needle.
I will refer to these 18 stitches as the thumb stitches and this needle as the thumb needle from here.
Knit the rest of the round.
Knit 4 more rounds.



Thumb gusset

Decrease the gusset as follows

- 1. Thumb needle: k1, ssk, knit to within 3 sts of end of thumb needle, k2tog, k1. Knit rest of the round
- 2. knit all stitches

Repeat these two rows a total of 5 times (10 rows all in all)

Repeat row 1 twice more

Slip the two stitches still on the thumb needle onto the needles they originally came from (one to each needle each side)

Knit one full round.

For the next 10 rounds, *k1tbl, p1* repeat to end.

Cast off.

Thumb

Pick up 18 stitches evenly around the thumb opening. Knit one round for the next 5 rows *k1tbl, p1* to end. Cast off

Repeat for second mitten

Weave in all ends, block if desired.

Wear with pride!

