





Comfy Gusset Mittens (with a wide gusset for great ease of fit)

These mittens can easily be knitted using the magic loop technique, or on 2 circulars (half the sts on each ndl), or equally divided unto 4 dpns.

Yarn: 1 skein Cascade 220 or any worsted weight yarn. Approx. 120-180 yds depending on size of mittens.

Needles: US #5 or #6, to get gauge.

Gauge: 5.5 sts/inch

Sizes are approx, adult: small (32 sts), medium (40 sts), large (48 sts)

Abbreviations:

st/sts = stitch/stitches

pm = place marker

sm = slip marker from one needle to the other

k2tog = knit two stitches together

kf&b = knit into front and back of the same stitch (increase 1)

rnd: round, working one complete round of all stitches

ktbl: knit the stitch through the back loop

Directions:

Both mittens are knitted the same way. There is no right or left.

Cast on 32 (40, 48) sts

Knit 8 rnds in stockinette stitch (only do this if you want a rolled edge).

Knit 16 rnds in 1×1 twisted rib *k1tbl, p1*.

Knit 4 rounds plain.

Gusset:

Set up for gusset on next round:

k10 (12,14) pm, k12 (16, 20) pm, k10 (12, 14).

Rnd 1: knit to 1 st before marker, kf&b, sm, knit to second marker, sm, kf&b in next st, knit to end.

Rnd 2: knit all sts.

Repeat rnds 1-2 until you have 44 (56, 68) sts total on your needles.

On the next rnd, knit to first marker, remove marker, place the 12 (16, 20) sts between the markers (remove second marker also) onto scrap yarn, you are now back to 32, 40, 48 sts.

Close the gap.

Continue knitting in the round until work measures, 3/4 inch from desired finished length.

Decrease rounds for top:

Note**Start the 32 and 48 stitch count mittens with rnd 1 of the top

directions, and the 40 stitch count mittens with rnd 3 of top directions.

Rnd 1: *k4, k2tog* to end of rnd

Rnd 2: knit

Rnd 3: *k3, k2tog* to end of rnd

Rnd 4: knit

Rnd 5: *k2, k2tog* to end of rnd

Rnd 6: knit

Rnd 7: *k1, k2tog* to end of rnd

Rnd 8: knit

Rnd 9: k2tog around

Cut yarn and pull through the remaining sts, weave in ends.

Thumbs:

Divide the 12 (16, 20) sts from scrap yarn onto your needles. Pick up 4 sts over gusset gap. Knit the 4 picked up sts as *k2tog* twice on next rnd, you now have 14 (18, 22) sts for the thumb.

Knit in the round until your thumb is no longer visible when the mitten is tried on.

Decrease by *knit 2 together around* twice.

Cut yarn and pull through remaining sts. Weave in ends. Knit another mitten!

Notes:

A ribbing may be used for the cuff instead of a rolled top, or a rolled top with no ribbing. Do your own thing, have fun! You can easily use this

pattern

for fingerless mitts, just stop knitting and do a bit of ribbing. Try different weight yarns with the different stitch counts. A bulky yarn at 48 stitches will produce a LARGE

mitten, where as 32 stitches with sport yarn would fit a child. This is a forgiving pattern that makes awesome, good-ole plain vanilla mittens! Have fun and experiment!

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