



LUCIE'S MITTENS

To Fit Ladies



Requirements

1 x 100g ball of Double Knitting weight yarn

4 double pointed needles (3.00mm works well for me)

Stitch Holder/Safety Pin

Cast on 42 stitches. Divide these stitches across three needles. You should have 14 stitches on each needle. Knit in the round. I like a long cuff so I knit 24 rows of K1P1 ribbing. Now we're ready to start the pattern.

Row 1: K2 (for thumb gusset) * P2 K1 to the end of row. You will end with a P2 by making 1 extra stitch at the end of this row.

Row 2: Pick up and knit 1 stitch, K2, pick up and knit another stitch. This increases your thumb gusset to 4 stitches. * P2, in the next K1 you will knit, purl and knit all in that 1 stitch. P2 and carry on in this fashion to the end of this row.

Row 3: K4 * P2 K3 P2 to the end of this row.

Row 4: Pick up and knit 1, knit 4, pick up and knit another stitch. This increases your thumb gusset to 6 stitches. You carry on increasing your thumb gusset every other row until you have 12 stitches. *P2 K3 P2 to the end of this row.

Row 5: K6 * P2 SL1 K2 PSSO P2 to end of row.

And then you go back to Row 1 taking into consideration the thumb gusset increases. When you get to Row 5 of your fourth repeat place the thumb gusset stitches on a stitch holder or large safety pin. To join the end of the row to the beginning of the next pick up and K1 and carry on knitting in the round as before but eliminate the thumb gusset part by turning it into the pattern.

Carry on knitting in the round until the mitten is the length required. My mittens are 10 pattern repeats long plus one repeat to finish off. Once you have reached the correct length this is how you proceed.

Row 1: P2tog K1 P2tog.

Row 2: P1, in the next K1 you will knit, purl and knit all in that 1 stitch. P1 and carry on in this fashion to the end of this row.

Row 3: P1 K3 P1 to the end of this row.

Row 4: P1 K3 P1 to the end of this row.

Row 5: P1 SL1 K2 PSSO P1 to end of row.

Row 6: K2tog to end of row.

Row 7: K2tog to end of row. Cut your yarn leaving a long enough length to feed thru the stitches in order to fasten off. Sew in a long enough length of thread to be sure that your knitting does not unravel.

To finish off the thumb, feed the 12 stitches from on 1 needle and feed the first 5 stitches onto another needle, keep 5 stitches on the middle needle and feed 2 stitches onto the third needle. Start the knitting with the needle that has only 2 stitches on it by picking up and knitting 3 more stitches along the thumb hole that has no stitches. Now knit in the round until the thumb is long enough to cover your thumb. When the thumb is long enough knit 2 stitches together to the end of the row. Cut your yarn leaving a long enough length to feed thru the stitches in order to fasten off. Sew in a long enough length of thread to be sure that your knitting does not unravel. Sew in the length of yarn at the cuff and that's it. Repeat the process for the second mitten.

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