

Bulky Mitts

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Have you left all your holiday knitting until the last minute? Whip up a pair of these super-fast, super-warm mittens with enough time left to start another project for yourself!

Supplies:

1 set US 12/9mm dpns
Yarn needle
Stitch markers
Super-Bulky Yarn: approx 90 (120) yds
shown in Blue Sky Bulky Duotones, #3008

Gauge:

2.5 sts/inch on 9mm needles

Size:

Fits Adult S-M (Adult M-L)

Abbreviations & Techniques:

k2tog: Knit two stitches together

k2tog tbl: Knit two together through the back loops.

pm: place marker

sm: slip marker

k1fb: knit into the front and the back of the st

Three-Needle Bind Off: Rearrange stitches onto two needles; one for the front side and one for the back. With a third needle, knit together the first stitch on the front needle with the first stitch on the back needle. Do the same for the second set of stitches and then pull the first over the second to bind off. Repeat until all stitches have been worked. This technique makes a ridged seam across the top of the mitten.

Instructions

Cast on 16 (18) sts, dividing equally over 4 needles. Join and begin working in rounds, placing marker to note beginning of round.

Work K1 p1 rib until piece measures 3.5 inches from cast on, or as desired. On next row, switch to stockinette stitch (knit every stitch) and increase 4(6) sts evenly around. 20(24) sts total.
Work 2 more rows in stockinette.

On next round, begin thumb shaping as follows:

For Right Mitt: K1, pm, k2, pm, k to end of round.

For Left Mitt: K to last 3 sts of round, pm, k2, pm, k1

Thumb Gusset Shaping - for both mitts

Round 1: K to marker, sm, k1fb, k1fb, sm, k to end of round. 2 sts increased

Rounds 2 & 3: K all sts.

Round 4: K to marker, sm, k1fb, k to st before next marker, k1fb, sm, k to end of round.

Repeat last 3 rounds once (twice) more: 8(10) sts between markers

On next round, k to marker, slip next 8(10) sts onto a holder or length of scrap yarn. Using backwards loop method, cast on 2 sts to close gap, and continue knitting around. 20 (24) sts remain on the needles. Work even for 3(4) inches more, or until mitt just covers your pinkie finger.

Shape Top:

On next round, K10, pm for side, k10.

(k2tog tbl, k to 2 sts before marker, k2tog) twice around. 4 sts decreased.

Knit 1 round even.

Repeat last 2 rounds until 6 (8) sts remain.

Cast off using the three needle bind off or graft the live stitches together.

Thumb

Return 8(10) thumb stitches to needles and divide over 2 needles. Using third needle, pick up and knit 4 sts into the gap at the top of the thumb hole. 10(12) sts total. Continue to knit in rounds until thumb measures 2.5 (3) inches or until it just covers the top of your thumb. On next round, k2tog 5(6) times around. Cut yarn and pull through remaining sts to secure

