

## To make Fingerless Mittens

The bottom part of these fingerless mittens are made in an identical way to the mittens, but the tops of the thumbs and body stop short and are finished in rib.

### What you need

- 50g double knitting wool
- the same equipment as for the Mittens

### Directions

Follow the mittens pattern to \*

#### Complete Thumb

Rows 22-24: Stocking Stitch (ending on Purl row) (16 sts)

Change to size 3.25mm (no 10) needles

Row 25: (K2 P2) rib for 4 rows

Cast off

#### Make Body

Follow the mittens pattern from \*\* to \*\*\* (40 stitches)

Rows 23-32: Stocking stitch

Change to size 3.25mm (no 10) needles

Row 33: (K2 P2) rib for 4 rows

Cast Off

#### To Make Up

Make up as per mitten pattern.



## Chip's 'Easy As' Mittens

When I was 9 years old, we had an inspiring craft teacher at school. She taught us many things, including how to knit. By the time we went to high school we were knitting sweaters and cardigans.

After learning the 'basics' lessons of garter stitch, stocking stitch and rib, one of the first things she gave us to knit was a pair of mittens.

I browsed the internet for a while trying to find a similar pattern, but most are knitted 'in the round', on 4 double-ended needles. This is fiddly, and not easy for new knitters.

So I decided to put my own 'in the flat' pattern together, knitted in double knitting / 8 ply yarn (alpaca, of course!!) on 2 straight needles with ends. At the end, a simple seam up the side and thumb completes the job.



## To make Mittens

### What you need

- 75g double knitting wool
- 1 pair 4mm / size 8 needles
- 1 pair 3.25mm / size 10 needles
- 1 wool / tapestry needle (for finishing)
- 2 stitch markers (optional)

### Tension

20 stitches in stocking stitch = 10 cm on 4mm / size 8 needles

### Abbreviations

K	Knit
P	Purl
M1	Make 1 stitch. Do this by picking up the horizontal yarn on the row below and putting 1 twist in it.
Sts	stitches
K2 tog	Knit 2 stitches together. With wool to the back, place the needle through the next 2 stitches at the same time from the bottom and knit.
K2 tog tbl	Knit 2 together through back loop. With wool to the back, place the needle through the next 2 stitches at the same time from the top, coming out behind the other needle then knit.
P2 tog	Purl 2 stitches together. With wool to the front, place the needle through the next 2 stitches at the same time from the top and purl.
P2 tog tbl	Purl 2 together through back loop. With wool to the front, place the needle through the next 2 stitches at the same time from the bottom and back, coming out in front of the other needle then purl.

### Directions

Using 3.25mm / size 10 needles cast on 42 stitches

K1 (K2 P2) K1 rib for 22 rows

Using 4mm / size 8 needles

Row 1: Knit

Row 2 and every alternate row: Purl

### Start increasing for thumb gusset

Row 3: K20 (place stitch marker). M1, K2, M1, (place stitch marker) K20 (44 sts)

Row 5: K20 (place stitch marker). M1, K4, M1, (place stitch marker) K20 (46 sts)

Row 7: K20 (place stitch marker). M1, K6, M1, (place stitch marker) K20 (48 sts)

Row 9: K20 (place stitch marker). M1, K8, M1, (place stitch marker) K20 (50 sts)

Row 11: K20 (place stitch marker). M1, K10, M1, (place stitch marker) K20 (52 sts)

Row 13: K20 (place stitch marker). M1, K12, M1, (place stitch marker) K20 (54 sts)

Rows 15-18: Stocking stitch (Knit on odd rows, Purl on even rows)

### Make Thumb

Row 19: Knit 34 (turn)

Row 20: Cast on 1, Purl 14 (turn)

Row 21: Cast on 1, Knit 15 (turn)

Work on just these 16 stitches to make the thumb. \*

Rows 22-34: Stocking Stitch (ending on Purl row)

Row 35: (K1, K2 tog) to last stitch, K1

Row 36 Purl

Row 37: (K2 tog) to end

With tapestry needle, thread end through stitches and gather.

### Make Body

\*\* With right side of work towards you, rejoin yarn at left hand side of thumb and K20.

There will now be 40 stitches on the needle, with the completed thumb in the middle.

Row 22: P20, cast on 2 stitches (over thumb), P20 (42 sts) \*\*\*

Rows 23-46: Stocking stitch

### Shape Top

Row 47: K2, K2tog tbl, K14, K2tog, K2, K2tog, K14, K2tog tbl, K2 (38 sts)

Row 48: P2, P2tog, P12, P2tog tbl, P2, P2tog, P12, P2tog tbl, P2 (34 sts)

Row 49: K2, K2tog tbl, K10, K2tog, K2, K2tog, K10, K2tog tbl, K2 (30 sts)

Row 50: P2, P2tog, P8, P2tog tbl, P2, P2tog, P8, P2tog tbl, P2 (26 sts)

Row 51: K2, K2tog tbl, K6, K2tog, K2, K2tog, K6, K2tog tbl, K2 (22 sts)

Row 52: P2, P2tog, P4, P2tog tbl, P2, P2tog, P4, P2tog tbl, P2 (18 sts)

Cast off loosely

### To Make Up

With end of yarn from top of thumb and right sides together, sew down thumb to where it meets the body. Finish off by making sure that there are no holes between the thumb and the body.

With end of yarn from top of the body and right sides together, sew down body. With end of yarn on cuff sew up body.

### To Make Second Mitten

Repeat!