

# Easy Peasy Mitten Pattern



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Sketched-on-a-Napkin Designs

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## Gauge

5.0 sts/in Small Adult Size

4.5 sts/in Average Adult Size

4.0 sts/in Large Adult Size

## Materials

Yarn: 120 yards bulky weight yarn (e.g., Shetland Chunky, Temptation, Unikat)

Needles: DPNS Size US #8 or size needed for gauge

Notions: 2 st markers  
stitch holder

## Abbreviations

**CO** = Cast On; **ST** = Stitch(es); **K** = Knit; **P** = Purl; **K2tog** = Knit 2 Together; **SSK** = Slip-Slip-Knit (slip 2 sts knitwise, return to left needle, and knit them together through the back); **BO** = Bind Off; **PM** = Place Marker; **SM** = Slip Marker from left needle to right needle; **KFB** = Knit in Front and Back of next st to increase 1; **DPN** = Double Pointed Needles; **Sl** = Slip the indicated number of stitches (purlwise, unless otherwise noted, e.g. working an SSK); **RND** = Round.

## Instructions

### Cuff

CO 36 sts; PM and join into rnd, being careful not to twist the sts.

Work 3" of K2, P2 ribbing.

### Hand and Thumb Gusset

Work 1" in stockinette st (K all sts). Shape thumb gusset as follows.

Rnd 1: SM; KFB; PM; K to end of rnd

Rnd 2: K

Rnd 3: SM; KFB twice (2 sts between marker become 4 sts); SM; K to end of rnd

Rnd 4: K

Rnd 5: SM; KFB, K2, KFB; SM; K to end of rnd [6 sts between markers]

Rnd 6: K

Rnd 7: K

Rnd 8: SM; KFB, K4, KFB; SM; K to end of rnd [8 sts between markers]

Rnd 9: K

Rnd 10: K

Rnd 11: SM; KFB, K6, KFB; SM; K to end of rnd [10 sts between markers]

Rnd 12: K

Rnd 13: K

Rnd 14: K

Rnd 15: SM; KFB, K8, KFB; SM; K to end of rnd [12 sts between markers]

Rnd 16: Remove marker; K1, place next 11 sts on holder; CO 1; join to other side and continue to K to end of rnd. [37 sts for palm and 11 sts for thumb]

Rnd 17: K1, K2tog, K to end of rnd [36 sts]

Continue to work stockinette st in the rnd until mitten clears top of little finger when tried on your hand (or approximately 9.75 - 10"). Be sure to count rows so that the second mitten will match!

## Top Shaping

Two options are given. The first option may be easier for beginning knitters. It forms a rounded top, similar to the top of a hat. The second option forms a flat top.

### *Option 1:*

- Rnd 1: (K4, K2tog) six times [30 sts]
- Rnd 2: K
- Rnd 3: (K3, K2tog) six times [24 sts]
- Rnd 4: K
- Rnd 5: (K2, K2tog) six times [18 sts]
- Rnd 6: K
- Rnd 7: (K1, K2tog) six times [12 sts]
- Rnd 8: K
- Rnd 9: (K2tog) six times [6 sts]

Cut yarn. Using yarn needle, run tail through remaining sts twice and pull tight. Take yarn through center of gather to inside of mitten.

### *Option 2:*

- Rnd 1: PM; K18; PM; K18 [36 sts]
- Rnd 2: (SM; K1, SSK; K to 3 sts before marker; K2tog, K1) twice [32 sts]
- Rnd 3: K
- Rnd 4: Repeat Rnd 2 [28 sts]

Continue in this manner until 16 sts remain. Arrange these sts on two needles and close top of mitten using three-needle bind-off (on the inside of the mitten) or Kitchener stitch.

## Thumb

Arrange 11 sts on 3 dpns with 4, 4, and 3 sts on the DPNS, respectively.

- Rnd 1: K in rnd, picking-up and knitting 3 sts at end of rnd (where you joined in the rnd for the hand) [14 sts]
- Rnd 2: K
- Rnd 3: K to last 4 sts; SSK, K2tog [12 sts]

Knit even on 12 sts in the round until thumb clears top of your thumb (or approximately 2.75"). K2tog six times and close as for top of mitten.

## **Variations**

### Wristlets

Work as for mittens but bind-off all sts after the thumb gusset increases have been worked.

### Finger-Free Mittens

Work as above until hand reaches the second knuckle and bind-off. Work the thumb up to the thumb-knuckle and bind-off.