

## Classic 2-needle mittens ... size 3-4 years

### Materials

Knitting worsted weight yarn, 2 oz

1 pair straight knitting needles #4

stitch holders

stitch markers

needle for sewing seams

Knitting both mittens at once on the same needle with two balls of yarn makes these work up very quickly!

Cast on 30 stitches. Work in ribbing K1P1 for 12 rows. K 1 row, P 1 row.

Then start thumb gusset as follows:

Row 1: Knit 14 stitches, place marker on needle, increase 1 stitch in each of next two stitches, place marker, knit 14.

Row 2: Purl

Row 3: Knit 14, increase one stitch in next stitch, knit 2, increase one stitch in next stitch, knit 14.

Row 4: Purl.

Continue increasing in the above manner until there are 12 stitches between the markers, ending with a purl row.

Then work as follows:

K 15, place on a stitch holder, K next 10 st (thumb stitches), place the next 15 st on a second stitch holder. Work back and forth on the 10 thumb stitches for a total of 8 rows, ending after a purl row.

Then decrease tip of thumb as follows:

Row 1: K2 tog across row.

Row 2: P2 tog twice, K1. Draw remaining stitches together and sew tip of thumb and side seam.

Place the 15 stitches from one stitch holder onto the righthand knitting needle, attach yarn and pick up and K2 stitches at the base of thumb, place remaining 15 stitches from the other stitch holder onto the lefthand knitting needle and knit across them to complete the row. Work back and forth on the 32 stitches in stockinette stitch for 8 rows total, ending after a purl row. On the last purl row, decrease in the first and last stitches of the row. 30 stitches remain.

Decrease the tip of mitten as follows:

Row 1: K1, K2tog, K9, sl 1 st, K1, pssso, K2, K2tog, K9, sl 1 st, K1, pssso, K1.

Row 2: Purl.

Row 3: K1, K2tog, K7, sl 1 st, pssso, K2, K2tog, K7, sl 1 st, K1, pssso, K1.

Row 4: Purl.

Row 5: K1, K2tog, K5, sl 1 st, pssso, K2, K2tog, K5, sl 1 st, pssso, K1.

Row 6: Purl.

Weave or sew tip of mittens together and then sew side seam.

### Abbreviations

K = knit

P = purl

tog = together

sl = slip stitch from one needle to the other

pssso = pass slipped stitch over the knit stitch