Mittens

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Materials:

Madeleine Tosh Vintage, 100% superwash merino wool, 200 yds. (Sample used less than 2.75 oz.)

Double pointed needles, US sizes 4 (3.5 mm) and 6 (4 mm) or size to obtain gauge.

4 stitch markers

Stitch holder

Cable needle

Gauge: 22 stitches x 32 rows = 4" x 4" in stockinette stitch on larger needles



Round 1: P3, slip 2 sts onto a cable needle and hold in back,

k2, knit the 2 sts on the cable needle, slip next 2 sts

onto a cable needle and hold in front of work, k2, k the 2 sts on the cable needle, p3.

Rounds 2 - 4: Knit

Repeat these 4 rounds for cable.

Abbreviations

Inc increase (See Special instructions.)

K knit

LLI (Left Lifted Increase) Insert the left needle in the left side of the stitch 2 rows below the stitch on the right-hand needle. Lift it and place on left-hand needle. Knit in the back leg of the stitch.

M1L With left-hand needle, pick up the strand between the needles from front to back. Knit in back

loop.

P purl

pm place marker

RLI (Right Lifted Increase) Insert the right-hand needle in the right side of the stitch 1 row below the

stitch on the left-hand needle. Lift it and place on left-hand needle. Knit in the front leg of the

stitch.

sm slip marker

sts stitches

Right Mitten

Cast on 40 stitches with smaller needles. Join, being careful not to twist the stitches. Work in K2, P2 ribbing for 20 rows.

Change to larger needles.

Rnd 1: *K10, M1 around.

Rnd 2: K22, pm, P3, K8, P3, pm, K8.

Rnd 3: K22, sm, work Rnd 1 of Cable Pattern, sm, k to end of round.

Rnds 4 - 5: Knit, working the cable pattern between the markers.



Right Thumb Gusset:

Continue to work the cable pattern between the stitch markers as you complete the following rounds.

Rnd 6: (First round of gusset): K41 (working the pattern between the markers on all rounds), pm, inc in next two stitches, K1.

Rnd 7: K.

Rnd 8: Work 41 stitches to marker, LLI in next st, K2, RLI in next st, K1.

Rnd 9: K.

Rnd 10: Work 41 stitches to marker, LLI in next st, K4, RRI in next st, K1.

Repeat the last 2 rounds increasing every other round until there are 18 stitches between the second set of markers. End with the increase round.

You have completed the thumb gusset.

Next Round: K42 (working the pattern between the markers), place the 16 gusset stitches on a stitch holder, work 2 sts to end of round.

Continue knitting around working the cable pattern as established for a total of 28 rounds from gusset.

Next round: K2, (K2 tog, K2) 5 times, P2 tog, work 10 st in pattern, P2 tog, (K2, K2 tog) twice. (35 stitches)

Work 2 rounds.

Next round: K2 tog, (K2 tog, K1) 5 times, P2 tog, work 8 stitches in pattern, P2 tog, (K1, K2 tog) twice. (25 stitches)

Work 3 rounds.

Next round: K2 tog 12 times, K1.

Next round: K.

Next round, K2 tog 6 times, K1 (7 sts).

Cut yarn leaving a 6 inch tail. Thread yarn through loops on needle, pull tight and fasten off.

Thumb (Left and right thumbs are worked the same.)

With larger needles, place the 16 stitches on the holder on to three of the needles.

Knit 11 rounds.

Next round: (K2 tog, K2) four times.

Knit 2 rounds.

Next round: (K2 tog, K1) four times.

Cut yarn leaving a 6 inch tail. Thread yarn through loops on needle, pull tight and fasten off.

Close up hole if necessary.

Left Mitten

Cast on 40 stitches with smaller needles. Join, being careful not to twist the stitches. Work in K2, P2 ribbing for 20 rows.

Change to larger needles.

Rnd 1: *K10, M1 around.

Rnd 2: K8, pm, P3, K8, P3, pm, K22.

Rnd 3: K8, sm, work Rnd 1 of Cable Pattern, sm, k to end of round.

Rnds 4 - 5: Knit, working the cable pattern between the markers.

Left Thumb Gusset:

Continue to work the cable pattern between the stitch markers as you complete the following rounds.

Rnd 6: K1, pm, inc in next two stitches, pm, k41 (working the pattern between the markers on all rounds).

Rnd 7: K.

Rnd 8: K1, LLI in next st, K2, RRI in next st, work to end of round.

Rnd 9: K.

Rnd 10: K 1, LLI in next st, K4, RRI in next st, work to end of round.

Repeat the last 2 rounds increasing as every other round until there are 18 stitches between the first set of markers. End with the increase round.

You have completed the thumb gusset.

Next Round: K2, place the 16 gusset stitches on a stitch holder, work to end of round.

Continue knitting around working the cable pattern as established for a total of 28 rounds from gusset.

Next round: (K2 tog, K2) twice, P2 tog, work 10 st in pattern, P2 tog, (K2, K2 tog) 5 times, K2. (35 stitches) Work 2 round.

Next round: (K2 tog, K1) twice, P2 tog, work 8 stitches in pattern, P2 tog, (K1, K2 tog) 5 times, K2 tog. (25 stitches)

Work 3 rounds.

Next Round: K2 tog 12 times, K1.

Next round: K2 tog 6 times, K1 (7 sts).

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