Knit • Advanced beginner (first thumb gusset)

Lantern Fingerless Mitts

Simple fingerless mitts knitted in the round from the cuff up, with ribbed edges and a shaped thumb gusset. Two sizes, the same round numbers in both.

Size

S/M [M/L]: about 7¼ [8] in (18.5 [20.5] cm) around the palm and 7 in (18 cm) long; fits a hand about 7–7½ [8–8½] in (18–19 [20.5–21.5] cm) around.

Materials

- Yarn: worsted-weight (#4) wool or wool blend, about 135 [150] yds (123 [137] m) for the pair.
- Needles: a set of US 7 (4.5 mm) double-pointed needles, or a long circular for magic loop.
- Notions: 2 stitch markers (one in a different colour for the start of the round), a short piece of waste yarn, tapestry needle.

Gauge

20 sts and 28 rounds = 4 in (10 cm) in stockinette (knit every round). Check your gauge: the fit depends on it.

Abbreviations

k: knit
M1L: make 1 left: lift the bar between the needles from front to back and knit it through the back loop
pm: place marker
*: repeat the instructions after the * as directed
p: purl
M1R: make 1 right: lift the bar from back to front and knit it through the front loop
st(s): stitch(es)
[ ]: numbers for the larger size

Notes

- Numbers are given for S/M, with M/L in brackets: 36 [40]. Where only one number is given, it is for both sizes.
- The round numbers are the same in both sizes. The thumb gusset grows between the start of the round and a second marker.
- Make two mitts the same way; they fit either hand.

Cast on 36 [40] sts. Place a marker and join to work in the round, taking care not to twist the stitches.

▢ Cuff

Rounds 1–12: *K2, p2; rep from * around.
Rounds 13–18: Knit.

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▢ Thumb gusset

Round 19: M1L, k1, M1R, pm, knit to end. (3 gusset sts; 38 [42] sts)

Round 20: Knit.

Round 21: M1L, knit to the gusset marker, M1R, knit to end. (5 gusset sts; 40 [44] sts)

Round 22: Knit.

Round 23: M1L, knit to the gusset marker, M1R, knit to end. (7 gusset sts; 42 [46] sts)

Round 24: Knit.

Round 25: M1L, knit to the gusset marker, M1R, knit to end. (9 gusset sts; 44 [48] sts)

Round 26: Knit.

Round 27: M1L, knit to the gusset marker, M1R, knit to end. (11 gusset sts; 46 [50] sts)

Round 28: Knit.

Round 29: M1L, knit to the gusset marker, M1R, knit to end. (13 gusset sts; 48 [52] sts)

Round 30: Knit.

Round 31: Slip the 13 gusset sts onto waste yarn, remove the gusset marker, cast on 1 st over the gap, knit to end. (36 [40] sts)

▢ Hand

Rounds 32–42: Knit.

Rounds 43–48: *K2, p2; rep from * around. Bind off loosely in rib.

▢ Thumb

Round 49: Slip the 13 held sts onto the needles, k13, then pick up and knit 3 sts across the gap. Join. (16 sts)

Rounds 50–53: *K2, p2; rep from * around. Bind off loosely in rib.

▢ Finishing

- Weave in the ends, closing any small holes at the base of the thumb as you go.
- Make the second mitt the same way.



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