

Mitten Ornaments



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Irresistible miniature mittens warm the hearts (if not the hands) of all who see them. Joined in pairs with an I-cord, each mitten is worked in the round on double-pointed needles with sock yarn.

K1, P1 RIB

(over an even number of sts)

Rnd 1 *K1, p1; rep from * around.

Rnd 2 K the knit sts and p the purl sts.

Rep rnd 2 for k1, p1 rib.

MITTEN

Cast on 16 sts.

Distribute over 3 dpns as foll:

4 sts on dpn #1,

8 sts on dpn #2,

4 sts on dpn #3.

Join, being careful not to twist sts, pm for beg of rnd.

Work 2 rnds of k1, p1 rib.

K 2 (3) rnds.

Begin gusset

Next (inc) rnd K7, M1, k to last 7 sts M1, k7—18 sts.

Knit 1 rnd.

Rep inc rnd once more—20 sts.

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Next rnd K7, sl next 6 sts to safety pin/scrap yarn for thumb,

k7 pulling yarn tightly across gap—14 sts in rnd, 6 sts on hold for thumb.

Shape top

Next (dec) rnd K6, k2tog, k6—13 sts.

Knit 2 rnds.

Next (dec) rnd [K2tog] 3 times, k1, [k2tog] 3 times—7 sts.

Cut yarn leaving tail. Thread tail through rem sts. Fasten off.

THUMB

Arrange 6 thumb sts evenly on 3 dpns. Rejoin yarn at top of thumb opening.

Next rnd Pick up and k 1 st, k6, pick up and k 1 st—8 sts.

Next (dec) rnd K2tog, k4, k2tog—6 sts.

Cut yarn leaving tail. Thread tail through rem sts. Fasten off.

FINISHING

Join mitten pairs

With crochet hook, chain 30. Fasten off. Secure chain to cuff edge of each mitten below the thumb. ✪

Skill Level

■ ■ ■ □ □ EASY

Step Zodiac



MATERIALS

Step Easy by Austermann/Skacel Collection, Inc., 3½oz/100g skeins, each approx 459yd/420m (superwash wool/polyamid)

- Small amounts in #134 red, green, orange, pink multi, and

#141 orange, brown, deep teal multi

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- Small amounts in #152 libra (variegated green) and #154 sagittarius (variegated blue)
- One set (4) size 2 (2.75mm) double-pointed needles (dpns) OR SIZE TO OBTAIN GAUGE
- Stitch markers and safety pin or scrap yarn
- Size B/1 (2.25mm) crochet hook

NOTES

1) Instructions are given for mittens with 2 rnds or 3 rnds of St st above rib.

2) Approx 5yd/4.5m of yarn are used for each mitten.

MEASUREMENTS

Width at thumb 1½"/4cm

Length 1¼ (1⅜)"/3 (3.5)cm

GAUGE

32 sts and 40 rows to 4"/10cm over St st using size 2 (2.75mm) needles.

TAKE TIME TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

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