



Sand And Sky Creations



Lightweight Mittens

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“These mittens were knit using the Lightweight Mitten pattern by Simone Van Iderstine of <http://sandandskycreations.com>”

Yarn: 400 yards fingering weight yarn

Pictured in handspun Wensleydale wool in “Making Tracks” colorway by Spunky Eclectic.

Needles: 3.0mm circular for magic loop or double pointed needles

Gauge: 24 sts x 34 rows = 4” in stockinette stitch

Finished size: 10” in length from cuff to fingertips and 8” in circumference

Notions: Scrap yarn for provisional cast on, two stitch markers for marking thumb gusset, stitch holder for reserving stitches, tapestry needle for sewing in ends.

Pattern notes: While this pattern is written for a ladies size medium, the length of the mitten can most certainly be adjusted by knitting extra rows in the finger portion. Please be sure to take additional yardage into account.

Special Techniques:

I-cord edging: Cast on 3 stitches using backwards loop method. *k2, k2togtbl. Slip 3 stitches from right hand needle to left hand needle. Pull the working yarn across the back * Repeat from * to *. At final 3 sts, finish by breaking yarn and grafting the three live stitches using kitchener stitch to the beginning-of-round stitches which were cast on with backwards loop. Sew in ends.

Washing and Blocking: Soak mittens in cool water with wool wash for 20 minutes. Gently squeeze out the water with your hands, being careful not to wring or twist. Roll in a towel to remove excess moisture and lay flat to dry. If desired, you may pin out your mittens to block or you may use mitten blockers. To make your own blockers, simply trace out the size and shape of your glove onto some plastic and cut out. Slip inside the wet mitten and allow to air dry.

If you have any questions or comments, I would love to hear from you!

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Cuff

Using provisional cast on method, CO 48 sts and join for working in the round, being careful not to twist.

Knit even for 3"

Thumb Gusset

Setup round: K23, PM, M1R, K2, M1L, PM, K23.

Round 1: Knit

Round 2: K to marker, slip marker, M1R, knit to marker, M1L, slip marker, knit to end of round.

Repeat rounds 1 and 2, 7 times more and then round 1 once more (62 sts)

Fingers

Setup: Knit 23 sts, remove marker and CO 2 sts using backwards loop, slip the 16 sts thumb stitches onto a marker or scrap yarn, remove second marker and knit to end of round. (48 finger sts and 16 sts on hold)

Knit until fingers measure 1.5" less than desired length (4" for a ladies medium).

Decrease for Fingertips

Round 1: Knit

Round 2: * K1, K2tog, K to 3 sts before the end of the second needle, SSK, K1 * Repeat between *s for needles 3 and 4 (4 sts decreased)

Repeat round 1 and 2, 5 times more (24 sts remaining).

Next round: K2tog around (12 sts)

Break yarn and graft using kitchener stitch. Sew in ends.

Thumb

Setup round: Pickup and knit 2 sts on the inside of the thumb, knit 16 sts from stitch holder or scrap yarn and pick up an additional 2 sts on the inside of the thumb. Prepare for working in the round. (20 sts)

Knit even until thumb measures 1/4" less than desired length.

Next round: K2tog around (10 sts)

Next round: K2tog around (5 sts)

Break yarn and thread through remaining stitches. Pull tight and sew in ends.

Finishing

Return to the provisional cast on for the cuff. Slip the 47 live stitches onto knitting needles and prepare for working in the round. (There is always 1 sts less when picking up a provisional cast on).

Join yarn and knit one round as follows: K9, K2tog, [K10, K2tog] 2 times, K12. (44 sts – 3 sts decreased)

Work i-cord edging. See the special techniques section on page 2 of the pattern. Upon completion of the edging, sew in all ends.

Repeat all directions for the second mitten.

Notes on washing and blocking can be found on page 2.