Pretty Please Mittens



Fancy mittens with a Latvian Braid. Knitted from charts using only 2 color strands at a time.

Sizing

One size. Fits a medium sized hand. Finished measurements: 9 inches from cuff to fingertips. Laying flat they measure 3 ½ inches across knuckles.

Materials

All yarns are Knit Pick Palette 100% wool fingering weight

Asphalt (MC) 50 yds
Almond 50 yds
Hazelnut 25 yds
Finnley Heather 30 yds
Orange 7 yds

Needles/Gauge

Size 1 dpns, Size 2 dpns

Gauge with size 2 needle is: 7 sts per inch in the round in pattern.

Other Supplies

Yarn needle. Stitch markers. Scrap yarn.

Instructions

Cuffs: For both left and right mitten, using MC and Size 1 needles, C.O. 52 sts, PM, and join in the round. Work a 2X2 ribbing as such: Row 1: (k2, p2) repeat to end of round. Repeat this row until the cuff measures 2 inches. Switch to size 2 needles. Knit set up row: k1, M1R, k 27, M1R, k24. (54 sts)

Lativan Braid: Color A is Almond, Color B is Orange Row 1: (k 1 Color A, k 1 ColorB) repeat to end of round.

Row 2: Move both strands to the front of the work. (All sts in rows 2 and 3 are purled over the same color as the previous row.) Starting with Color A, pull the yarn up and purl. Now using Color B, bring under the last st and purl. Alternate these two sts for the row. Your yarn will twist up. Do not try to untwist because it will naturally do so on the next row. Row 3: Work the 1st st by pulling Color A *under* the last st and purl. (This is the only one in this row that is pulled from under the other.) Then work the next st in Color B, pull the yarn OVER the last st and purl. The 3rd st is also worked by puller OVER the last st and purl. Continue bringing each yarn over the last and purl to the end of the row. Your yarn will untwist as you do this row. Pull the yarns to the back at the end of the row. (You will weave them in later.)

Row 4: Knit one row in MC

From here on, the Left and Right are constructed differently. For the Right mitten you will work the charts in this order: A, B, C. For the Left mitten you will work the charts in this order: C, B, A. All charts are worked with size 2 needles.

Right Mitt:

Start Chart A again on line 1. Follow Chart A for 27 sts, PM, knit Chart B line 1. PM then continue to line 1 of Chart C. Move on to line 2 of Chart A, then Chart B, then Chart C. Continue working from the 3 charts in this order for 19 rows.

After 19 rows of working all charts put 19 sts of the thumb gusset on scrap yarn, and continue with Chart A and Chart C only, knitting in the round. Once you are done with the charts, put the first 7 sts on one needle and the second 7 sts on a second needle and work these off with a kitchener stitch.

Thumb: place the 19 sts onto size 2 dpns. Working from Chart B, start on line 20 by picking up stitch from the body of the mitten. Work in the round until the end of the chart. To close the thumb, use MC and k2tog all around. With the last 10 sts, pull the yarn through with a yarn needle, tie off and pull yarn to inside of thumb.

Left Mitt:

Follow Chart C for 27 sts, PM, knit Chart B line 1. PM then continue to line 1 of Chart A. Move on to line 2 of Chart C, then Chart B, then Chart A. Continue working from the 3 charts in this order for 19 rows.

After 19 rows of working all charts put 19 sts of the thumb gusset on scrap yarn, and continue with Chart C and Chart A only, knitting in the round. Once you are done with the charts, put the first 7 sts on one needle and the seconded 7 sts on a second needle and work these off with a kitchener stitch.

Work left thumb same as right.

Weave in all ends and block.

Chart A - Pretty Please Mittens

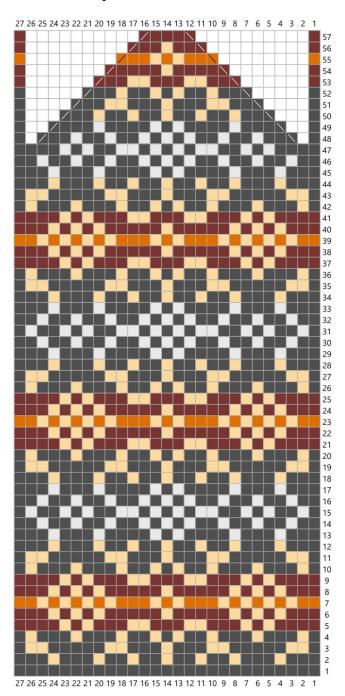


Chart C - Palm - Pretty Please Mittens

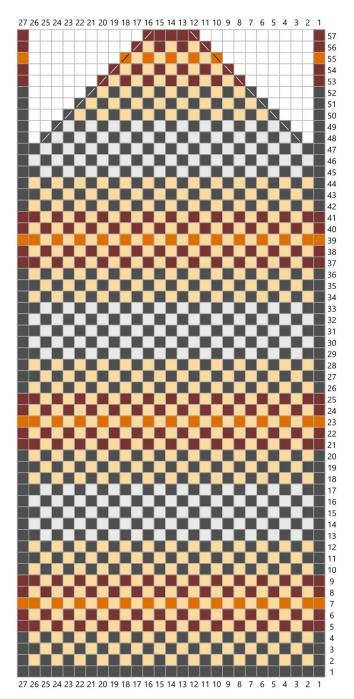


Chart B - Gusset/Thumb - Pretty Please Mittens



Key

Almond

Asphalt

Hazelnut

Finnley Heather

Orange

no stitch

k2tog

ssk

pick up st

m1 right leaning

m1 left leaning