Crocheted Mittens

sizes: 2/3 yrs (circ. 5.5"/14cm), 4/5 yrs (circ. 6"/15.25 cm), 6/7 yrs (circ. 6.5"/16.5cm), 8 yrs/wm sm (circ. 7"/17.75cm)

materials & gauge:

approx 70 gm/150 yds worsted weight yarn (shown in Cascade 220 - band info: 4.5st/US 8 or 5st/US 7 needles) if using 2 colors, approx 70 yds of second color

hook: 4.25mm (US G) or size necessary to achieve gauge

gauge: 19 st/17.5 r = 4"/10 cm in sc

day 1

cuff

worked flat

for one color mittens, leave a 12" tail for joining. ch 8/9/10/11 ($1\frac{1}{2}$ "($1\frac{3}{4}$ ", 2", $2\frac{1}{4}$ ") +1 ch), sc in bl of 2nd ch from hook and each ch across. ch-1, turn. (7 st)

sc in bl of first st and each st across. ch-1, turn. repeat until 19/23/27/31 rows have been worked and cuff is 5", 5 ½", 6", 6 ½" in length.

using a whip stitch and the cast on tail, join the two short ends to form a ring.

day 2

lower hand and thumb opening

attach yarn, if using a contrasting color, to the edge of the ring. sc in the side of each row around. join.

ch-1, sc in same st. *work 3/4/5/6 sc, inc in next sc. repeat from * around. 23/27/31/35 st

do not join. remainder of mitten will be worked in spiral fashion. for a more defined spiral line, work the st in the back loop (this stitch pattern looks great from the wrong side too!). place a marker to identify the beginning of the round.

work until piece measures 1¼"(1½", 1¾", 2"):(3.2cm/3.8cm/4.5cm/ 5.1 cm) from ribbing

thumb opening: at beginning of round, work 2 sc, ch 3,4,4,5, skip 2,3,3,4 st and sc in next st. sc to end of round. (24/28/32/36 st)





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day 3

upper hand

continue working in spiral fashion until the mitten is $2\frac{1}{2}$ "($3\frac{1}{4}$ ", 4", $4\frac{1}{2}$ "):(6.4cm/8.3cm/10.2cm/11.5cm) from thumb opening, or $1\frac{1}{4}$ "($1\frac{1}{2}$ ", $1\frac{3}{4}$ ", 2"):(3.2cm/3.8cm/4.5cm/5.1 cm) less than desired length.

day 4

decreases

if working in cc, sl st twice before attaching new color

- *4/5/6/7 sc, decr 1. repeat from * around. (20/24/28/32 st)
- work one round even
- *3/4/5/6 sc, decr 1. repeat from * around (16/20/24/28 st)
- work one round even.

begin decreasing every round until 8 st remain.

clip yarn, leaving a 12" tail. thread tail into a tapestry needle and gather each st around. draw tightly to close and tie off securely. weave in ends.

day 5

thumb and finishing

join yarn. k in each sc and in each ch around, plus one in each "corner". (7/9/9/11 st). do not join, but work in a spiral.

sc in each st around until thumb measures $1\frac{1}{2}(1\frac{3}{4}, 2, 2\frac{1}{4})$: (3.8cm/4.5cm/5.1 cm/5.75cm) above hand or $\frac{1}{4}$ (1 cm) less than desired length.

decr around.

clip yarn, leaving a 12" tail. thread tail into a tapestry needle and gather each st around. draw tightly to close and tie off securely. weave in ends.







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