

# Slipped Stripe Mittens

a top-down pattern

sizes: children's medium, adult small, medium & large

## materials & gauge:

approx 200 yards or less of each color worsted weight yarn,  
amount depends on size selected

4.25mm(US 6) and 3.5 mm (US 4) circular needles

**gauge:** 12 st/18 rows = 2" in slipped stitch pattern



## abbreviations:

*MC*: main color

*CC*: contrasting color

*k*: knit

*p*: purl

*incr*: increase

*k2tog*: knit 2 sts together as one

*LH*: left hand

*M1*: make one stitch by lifting the bar  
between the just worked st and the next  
st and knitting into the back loop

*ndl*: needle

*rem*: remaining

*sl X*: slip X stitch(es), purlwise and with yarn  
in back, unless otherwise noted

*st(s)*: stitch(es)

**CONVERTING FROM CIRCULAR TO DOUBLE POINT NEEDLES** - this pattern can easily be worked with 5 double points, by further dividing the stitches - evenly place the stitches on Circular 1 onto Double Points 1/2, and place Circular 2 stitches on Double Points 3/4

**slip stitch pattern** (*slip all st purlwise*):

1/2: using cc, \*sl1, k3. repeat from \* around.

3: using mc, k2. \*sl1, k3. repeat from \* around. end sl1, k1

4: using mc, k1, p1. \*sl1, p1, k1, p1. repeat from \* around.  
end sl1, p1.

## instructions:

with mc, larger needles, and using your favorite closed cast-on, create 16/20/24 stitches and place half on each needle

knit around

3 rnds: k1, m1, knit to last st on needle 1, m1, k1. repeat for needle 2

5: knit around

6: repeat row 3

work rows 5 and 6 until there are 32/40/44/48 stitches, half on each needle.

work the slip stitch pattern rows until mitten measures 4½"/5½"/6½"/7" from cast on edge, or to desired length from tip of fingers to the thumb. end by working row 2 and stopping 3/4/5/6 stitches from end of round. knit to end of round.

knit first 3/4/5/6 st of round 3, then work to 2/3/4/5 stitches from end of round in pattern.

## thumb placement (side of mitten):

using a piece of waste yarn knit to the end of the round, then knit the first 2/3/4/5 stitches of the new round.

slip the waste yarn stitches back onto the nonworking needle and knit across with working yarn. k the next 3 st, then work to end of round using round 4 of pattern.

## mitten lower palm

beginning again with row 1, work stitch pattern until mitten is 1¾" / 2"/2¼" / 2½" from waste yarn.

**decrease row:** \*k6/8/9/10, k2tog. repeat from \* around.  
28/36/40/44 st

**ribbing & finishing:** changing to smaller needles, work around in k2, p2 ribbing for 2¼"/2½"/2¾" / 3". bind off loosely, shown with

a sewn cast off. weave in all remaining tails.

## thumb:

remove waste yarn, and place live stitches on 2 needles (top and bottom). attach yarn and knit across 4/6/8/10 stitches on the bottom. pick up 2 stitches in the "corner". knit across 3/5/7/9 stitches on the top. pick up 2 stitches in the "corner".  
11/15/19/23 stitches.

knit around until thumb is 1¾"/2"/2¼", or ¼" shorter than desired length.

**shaping:** \*k2 tog. repeat from \* around. if more than 6 stitches remain, repeat this round.

clip yarn, leaving a 6" tail. draw tail through remaining loops, tighten, and secure.

weave tail securely inside thumb. the slip stitch pattern may result in a small gap at the "sides" of the thumb. if this occurs, just close the corners from the inside with some of the yarn and a tapestry needle.

## crochet chain closed cast on

designed for circular patterns needing a closed end, such as top down socks and mittens

Q using a crochet hook similar in size to the larger knitting needles, make a chain that is 1 st longer than the half number of st to be cast on

Q draw up a loop in back loop the 2nd ch from the hook and in each ch across. half the cast on has been picked up

Q transfer the st to ndl 1 and snug them to the needle

Q push the st onto the cable (if using a circular needle)

Q turn the chain around and pick up the same number of st in, what is now, the back loop of the chain

Q similarly transfer these st to ndl 2

Q begin working in the round, taking the yarn over the ends of the chain for the first round. the slip knot will be removed and tails will be woven at finishing.

*make another mitten just like this one, if you must, or reverse the mc and cc yarns for the second one!*

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