

# **Knit Mittens**

By Premier Yarns Design Team Level: Intermediate



# **SIZES**

Small (Medium, Large)

#### **FINISHED MEASUREMENTS**

Hand Circumference: 7 (8, 9)"

Length: 9 (9½, 10)"

## **MATERIALS**

**Premier® Yarns** *D.I.Y. Gradient Yarn* (100% Antipilling Acrylic; 200g/360 yds Total)

• #1046-08 Water - 1 set

**Needles:** Size US 8 (5 mm) set of 4 double pointed knitting needles *or size needed to obtain gauge* **Notions:** Stitch markers, tapestry needle

#### GAUGE

18 stitches and 24 rows = 4" in Stockinette Stitch. Save time, check your gauge.

## **STITCH GUIDE**

**K2, P2 Rib** (multiple of 4 sts) **Rnd 1:** \* K2, p2; rep from \* to end.
Rep Rnd 1 for pattern.

# **Stockinette Stitch**

Knit every round.

## **MITTEN**

# Cuff

With darkest color, cast on 32 (36, 40) sts. Pm and join to work in the round. Work 10 rnds in K2, P2 Rib. Change to next darkest color.

Work 4 rnds in K2, P2 Rib.

Knit 1 rnd.

# Thumb Gusset - Right Mitten only

**Next rnd:** K18(20, 22), pm, m1, pm, knit to end – 33 (37, 41) sts.

# Thumb Gusset – Left Mitten only

**Next rnd:** K14(16, 18), pm, m1, pm, knit to end – 33 (37, 41) sts.

#### **Both Mittens**

Knit 1 rnd.

**Next rnd – Increase Rnd:** Knit to marker, sl marker, M1L, knit to marker, M1R, sl marker, knit to end – 2 sts increased.

Knit 2 rnds.

Rep last 3 rnds 5 (6, 7) more times – 45 (51, 57) sts.

**AT THE SAME TIME,** when 12 rnds of second color are complete, change to middle color. Work first rnd of new color as \*K1, p1; rep from \* to end, including thumb gusset shaping if necessary.

**Next rnd:** Knit to marker, remove marker, sl next 13 (15, 17) sts to holder for thumb, cast on 2 sts to bridge the gap, knit to end -34 (38, 42) sts.

**Next rnd:** Knit to 1 st before cast on sts, ssk, k2tog, knit to end -32 (36, 40) sts.

Work even until piece measures 7½ (7¾, 8)".

**AT THE SAME TIME,** when 12 rnds of middle color are complete, change to next to lightest color, and when 12 rnds of this color are complete, change to lightest color. Work first rnd of each new color as \*K1, p1; rep from \* to end, including any necessary shaping.

# Shape top

**Rnd 1:** K1, ssk, knit 10 (12, 14), k2tog, k1, place marker, k1, ssk, knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1 – 28 (32, 36) sts.

Rnd 2: Knit.

Rnd 3: \*K1, ssk, knit to 3 sts before marker, k2tog, k1; rep from \* once more. 4 sts decreased.

Rep last 2 rnds 2 (3, 4) more times – 16 (16, 16) sts.

Rep Rnd 3, 2 more times – 8 sts.

Break yarn. Use tapestry needle to draw tail to remaining sts, pull tight and fasten off.

# **Thumb**

Return 13 (15, 17) held thumb sts to needles.

Matching color progression on hand section of mitten, join yarn.

Rnd 1: Knit to end, pick up and knit 2 sts at cast on edge of thumb opening – 15 (17, 19) sts.

Rnd 2: Knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, ssk last st of rnd with 1st st of next rnd – 13 (15, 17) sts.

Work even in Stockinette Stitch, changing color if necessary to match color progression on hand, until thumb measures  $1\frac{1}{2}$  ( $1\frac{3}{4}$ , 2)".

**Next rnd:** \*K1, k2tog; rep from \* 3 (4, 4) times, k1 (0, 2) - 9 (10, 12) sts.

**Next rnd:** \*K2tog; rep from \* to last 1 (0, 0) st, k1 (0, 0) – 5 (5, 6) sts.

Break yarn. Use tapestry needle to draw tail to remaining sts, pull tight and fasten off.

#### **FINISHING**

Weave in ends, closing up any gaps at base of thumb. Block gently.



## **Abbreviations**

k knit

k2tog knit 2 stitches together

M1L insert left needle from front to back under horizontal strand of yarn lying between st just worked

and next st, knit this st through the back loop (1 st inc'd)

M1R insert left needle from back to front under horizontal strand of yarn lying between st just worked

and next st, knit or purl this st through the front loop (1 st inc'd)

**p** purl

pm place marker

rep repeat

ssk slip, slip, knit
st(s) stitch(es)

