

Softspun Mittens

Size - average ladies.

Materials - [Freshisle Fibers Mixed Breed softspun wool](#) - 1 skein natural or colour of choice
- set of double pointed needles 6 mm (U.S. 10), or size needed to obtain gauge
- small stitch holder or small pieces of scrap yarn to hold thumb stitches

Gauge - approximately 14 stitches, 22 rows = 4 inches in stocking stitch

Softspun Mittens Directions

Cast on 24 stitches evenly divided on three needles.
Join and knit every row for approximately 2 inches (10-12 rows) or desired length from base of thumb to wrist.

Thumb Gusset:

Round 1 - M1, k1, M1, knit to end of round.

Round 2 and all even rounds - Knit.

Round 3 - M1, k3, M1, knit to end of round.

Round 5 - M1, k5, M1, knit to end of round.

Round 7 - K1, slip 5 middle stitches from thumb gusset to holder. Cast on 5 stitches over thumb and knit to end of round. (30 stitches).

Continue to knit on 30 stitches until mitten measures to top of little finger (approximately 18 rounds).

Shape Top:

Arrange stitches with 7 stitches on needle 1, 8 stitches on needle 2, and 15 stitches on needle 3.

Round 1 - K1, ssk, knit to end of needle 1. Knit to last three stitches on needle 2, k2tog. K1, ssk, knit to last three stitches on needle 3, k2tog.

Round 2 - Knit.

Repeat these two rounds until 10 stitches remain (2 on needle one, 3 on needle two, 5 on needle three). (10 rounds) Graft with Kitchener stitch.

Thumb:

Slip 5 stitches from holder to knitting needle. Pick up and knit 7 stitches around thumb opening. Divide 12 stitches evenly on three needles.

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softspun can be machine washed in warm water and briefly fluffed in the dryer. The mittens will tighten up very slightly. These are a soft, thick, puffy mitten.

Knit ten rounds even or desired length of thumb.

Shape Top of Thumb:

Round 1 - k2 tog , repeat around. (6 stitches)

Round 2 - Knit.

Round 3 - k2 top, repeat around. (3 stitches)

Cut yarn, leaving a tail. Pull yarn through 3 stitches and fasten off.

Weave in tails at top of mitten and thumb.

Knit second mitten.

Attached I-cord Edging

Using double pointed needles, cast on 3 stitches.

K3, do not turn.

Slide stitches to right end of needle, knit 2, slip last stitch knitwise, pick up and knit one stitch from edge of mitten with the right side of mitten facing, pass slip stitch over, do not turn. Slide stitches to right end of needle and knit 3, do not turn.

Continue picking up along the edge of the mitten for attached I-cord edging. When you complete edging, cut yarn, leaving a tail. Weave ends in neatly.

