



Squares Sophisti-cuff

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You will need:

- 15-20 yards DK weight **yarn**
- US 5 (3.75 mm) knitting **needles**
- One awesome **button** (about 1" wide) plus needle and thread
- Tapestry needle

Finished measurements:

- 8 inches x 2 inches

Abbreviations:

K = knit
P = purl
sl1k = slip 1 stitch knitwise
sl1p = slip 1 stitch purlwise



Pattern:

Cast on 12 stitches

Stitch pattern:

Row 1 (wrong side): sl1p, p 5, k 5, p 1
Row 2 (right side): sl1k, p 5, k 6
Row 3-6: Repeat Rows 1 and 2 twice more
Row 7: sl1p, k 5, p 6
Row 8: sl1k, k 5, p 5, k 1
Row 9-12: Repeat Rows 7 and 8 twice more

Repeat these 12 rows until edges of cuff meet around your wrist. End on either row 6 or 12, completing a full square (6 rows).

Buttonhole row:

Work the first two rows of the next square. On the third row, knit or purl the first 3 stitches according to the pattern. Follow the instructions below to create a single row buttonhole, binding off a total of 6 stitches. When the buttonhole is complete, there should be 3 stitches on either side.

Finish off the remaining rows of the stitch pattern, completing the square. Bind off in pattern.

Wash and block lightly. Attach button at opposite end of buttonhole.

Notes:

This pattern is easily adjusted to accommodate thicker or thinner yarns. For example, to use a worsted weight yarn, simply use the appropriately sized needle (US 7 or 8). You could follow the pattern as-is and have a larger cuff, or cast on 10 stitches and create blocks that are 4 stitches across instead of 5. Also, cut down the height of the block by doing 5 rows instead of 6. Conversely, increasing the number of stitches with a finer yarn with maintain the length and width. Cast on 14 or 16 stitches and just distribute them evenly. As you go, you'll see how many rows it takes to get a square.



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One row buttonhole by Barbara Breiter:

Hold the yarn in front of the work. Slip the first stitch on the left needle as if purl. Move the yarn to the back of the work and leave it there. Slip the next stitch on the left needle as if to purl. Pass the first slipped stitch over the second slipped stitch.

Continue in this way until you have bound off the required number of stitches for the buttonhole. Slip the last stitch you bound off back to the left needle.

Turn your work. Move the yarn to the back of the work. Now cast on the same number of stitches that you bound off plus one additional stitch. Cast on using the Knit Cast On or the Cable Cast On.

Before the last step of the last cast on stitch, bring the yarn to the front of the work. Pull up the loop for the cast on stitch but before placing the loop on the left needle, bring the yarn to the front; it will then rest between two stitches.

Turn your work. Slip the first stitch from the left needle to the right needle as if to purl. Pass the last cast on stitch over the slipped stitch. Continue working the row.