



Sideways Gull Stitch Mitts

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You will need:

- Approx. 80 yards/2.5 ounces worsted weight **yarn**
- US #6 (4 mm) knitting **needles** (straight or circular)
- Tapestry needle
- Cable needle or single DPN
- Locking stitch markers or small safety pins (4)

Finished measurements:

- 7.25 inches long x 3.5 inches wide (folded in half)

Gauge:

- 3.5 stitches & 6 rows per inch

Pattern:

Cast on 31 stitches.

Set-up row (WS): Sl 1 st purlwise, k2, p6, k2, p2, pm, p12, pm, p2, k4.

Row 1 (RS): K4, yo, k2tog, k12, ssk, yo, p2, k2, sl 2 wyib, k2, p2, k1.

Row 2: Sl 1 st purlwise, k2, p2, sl 2 wyif, p2, k2, p16, k4.

Row 3: k4, yo, k2tog, k12, ssk, yo, p2, sl next 2 sts to DPN or cable needle and hold in back, k1, then k2 from DPN; sl next st to DPN and hold in front, k2, then k1 from DPN; p2, k1.

Row 4: Sl 1 st purlwise, k2, p6, k2, p16, k4.

Repeat Rows 1-4 until the mitt is wide enough to wrap around your hand, ending on row 2 or 4.

Bind off loosely being sure to leave a tail three times the length of the finished edge. Fold in half so that the cast on and bind off edges touch. The cable will be on the bottom cuff of the mitt. Using locking stitch markers or small safety pins, pin the two sides together to help prevent them from shifting as you stitch up the edges using the excess bind-off yarn. Leave a hole about 1.5 inches long for the thumb just under the garter stitch at the top. To cross the thumb hole gap, loosely whip stitch up one side, then resume stitching to close.

Repeat for second mitt. Wash and block lightly.

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Notes:

Adjustments to the length of the mitts can be made within the stockinette portion. Adding or removing rows there will lengthen or shorten the mitten. You can also add more stitches to the garter stitch section at the top if you want more of your fingers covered.

When using a heavier yarn, a couple simple changes can be made to improve the fit. Primarily, fewer rows will be required to reach around your hand. You may also want to decrease the number of stitches in the stockinette portion to shorten the overall length. However, if you want the mitts slightly longer, it isn't necessary.

Abbreviations:

k = knit

p = purl

ssk = slip 1 st knitwise, slip 1 st purlwise, knit together

k2tog = knit two together

pm = place marker

yo = yarn over

sl = slip stitch

wyib = with yarn in back

wyif = with yarn in front

DPN = double pointed needle

