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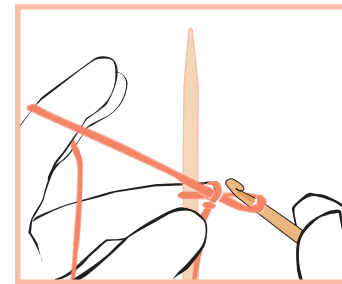
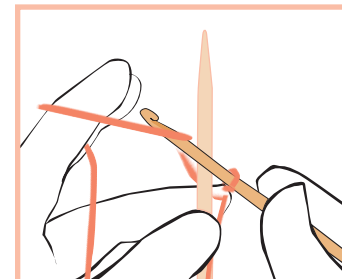
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Yikes stripes! This mitten pattern starts with a unique cuff design that will keep mittens nice and snug around the wrist - no more mittens slipping off into a snow drift.

Provisional Cast-On

If you are new to this type of casting on, have no fear! It's a great skill to have in your kit and this technique is easy to learn.

To begin, make a slip knot with the scrap yarn and put it on the crochet hook. Hold the crochet hook in your right hand and a size US 3 dpn in your left. Bring the working end of the yarn behind the dpn, hooking it around your left index finger. With the crochet hook in your right hand, come across the front of the dpn and hook the yarn. Pull through the slip knot loop on the crochet hook, leaving a new loop on the crochet hook. The yarn around the needle is your cast-on stitch. Again, put the working end of the yarn *behind* the dpn and bring the crochet hook across the front of the dpn, pick up the yarn and pull through the loop on the crochet hook, leaving a new loop on the crochet hook. Repeat these loops around the dpn until you have the required number of cast-on stitches. On the last cast-on, pull the yarn through the loop and leave a 1" loop. Snug up the knot. Use the stitches on the dpn to continue with the pattern. Begin knitting at the large loop end.



Note: Great video demo at <http://www.knittingatknoon.com/provisional.html>

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You will need

3 skeins of merino wool, scrap yarn

Four size US 3 double-pointed needles (dpns), four size US 4 double-pointed needles, size F or G crochet hook, scissors, yarn or tapestry needle, 2 stitch markers, tape measure

Gauge 22 sts and 36 rows = 4" in stockinette stitch

Stitch Guide

Provisional cast-on = see instructions on reverse side of this card

SSK = slip 2 stitches knitwise onto right needle, one at a time; knit the two stitches together by knitting into the front of the loops with left needle.

K1 f&b = knit 1 stitch in the front, then in the back.

M1T = make 1 right-slanted increase. Put a twisted loop on your needle, twist the loop with the working end of the yarn leading toward you.

M1A = make 1 left-slanted increase. Put a twisted loop on your needle with the working end of the yarn leading away from you.

Stripe Pattern = knit in three row stripes. Starting with Color C and alternating with Color A. When switching colors, wrap new color yarn around previous color yarn to avoid gaps.

Sizes

2 to 4 yrs | hand length = 4"

9 to 12 yrs | hand length = 6 "

5 to 8 yrs | hand length = 5"

Adult woman | hand length = 7 1/4"

Pattern

Cuff

Inside Cuff: Using the Provisional cast-on method and US 3 dpn, cast-on 30 (36, 42, 46) sts. Knit one row with Color A (color choice is up to you!). Distribute the stitches evenly on three needles and join, being careful not to twist the stitches. Place marker (pm) at the beginning of the round and continue to knit with Color A. Work K2,P1 rib for 1 3/4 (2, 2 1/4, 2 1/2)."

Picot Edge: * YO, K2tog* repeat to end of round. Knit next round. Cut yarn and weave end in.

Outside Cuff: Changing to Color B, knit in St st for 1 3/4 (2, 2 1/4, 2 1/2)."

Cuff finish: Fold the Inside Cuff section up inside the Outside Cuff with the Picot Edge on the fold line. Carefully pull out the scrap yarn from the provisional cast-on, stitch by stitch, and pick up each exposed stitch with US 4

dpns. With Color A knit the stitches of the inside and outside cuff together. Continue with US 4 dpns and Color A. Purl 3 rounds. Knit next round.

Mitten

Thumb Gusset Increase

Row 1: K1, pm, M1A, K1, M1T, pm, knit to the end of round.

Row 2: Knit around, slipping markers (sm) as you go.

Row 3: K1, sm, M1T, knit to the next marker, M1A, sm, knit to the end of round.

Repeat Rows 2 + 3 until there are 11(13, 15, 17) sts between the markers. Total number of sts: 41 (46, 57, 63) sts

Next row: K1 f&b, remove marker, place the next 11 (13, 15, 17) sts on a piece of scrap yarn, remove marker, K1 f&b, knit to end of round.

Knit 15 (18, 21, 23) sts, K2tog, knit to end of round.

Total number of sts: 30 (36, 42, 46) sts.

Knit even completing 5 (7, 9, 11) stripes. End on a color change-over row.

Top Decrease

Distribute sts on three dpns as follows: Needle 1: 15 (18, 21, 23) sts | Needle 2 : 7 (9, 10, 11) sts | Needle 3 : 8 (9, 11, 12) sts

Round 1

Needle 1: K1, SSK, knit to three sts from the end of needle, K2tog, K1

Needle 2: K1, SSK, knit to end of needle

Needle 3: knit to three sts from the end of needle, K2tog, K1

Top Decrease

Repeat round 1 until a total of 12 sts remain on needles.

Cut yarn leaving a 6" tail. With the yarn needle, thread the tail through the remaining stitches twice, then slowly pull tight to close up the mitten tip.

Fasten off on the inside. Weave in all ends.

Thumb

Pick up the 11 (13, 15, 17) sts from the scrap yarn. Pick up 3 stitches from the gap - one stitch above each side of the thumb gusset and one above the middle of the thumb hole. Mark the beginning of the round and knit in stripe pattern for 8 (11, 14, 17) rounds.

Thumb decrease: K2tog around. Cut yarn leaving a 6" tail. With the yarn needle, thread the tail through the remaining stitches twice, then slowly pull tight to close up the thumb tip. Fasten off on the inside. Weave in all ends.