



Moose Knuckle Fingerless Mittens

YYC Knits Designs

These Earthy mittens represent the power and beauty of the great and many antlered animals that adorn our forests and deserve our respect and gratitude. These mittens were knit with a 16 stitch stag horn cable running up the front. Constructed two at a time using magic loop but can easily be knit up any which way you prefer.



Notions: 29" 5mm and 5.5mm circular, 5.5mm DPNS, bobby pin (or cable needle) scissors, darning needle, one skein of Malabrigo Rios wound into two exact size balls (one for each mitten) or, wind the skein into a centre pull ball and knit one mitten from the centre pull and one from the outside pull being careful not to tangle.

Gauge: 4.5 sts. /1" stockinette on larger size needle

Yarn Used For Photographs - Loops and Threads Undyed Wool (Gray)

Suggested Yarn: Malabriogo - Rios /(Coco)

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Using a 5mm circular needle or size required to get gauge, **cast on 32 sts.** using two at a time magic loop method and a long tail **K2,P2** cast on <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iPa1g82zt14>. You can certainly knit with any other method you prefer on your favorite needles...

Round 1: (K2 into the back loop, P2) 16 times around for 2", This will be the cuff of your mitten.

Next Row: (set up row)This row we will increase 4 sts. on the front 16 sts. of the mitten to set up for our cable (Chart A). Switch to 5.5 mm (larger needle) and using **invisible increase**, INCREASE 4 sts. evenly across the front 16 sts. (20 sts.) front needle, purl across back needle(16 sts.). (**36 sts.**)

Next Round: Follow Chart A for the front of the mitten and purl every stitch around the back of mitten for **three full repeat of Chart A** while working in the round.

Thumb Gussets: Continue working Chart A in pattern across the front of the mitten. We will do an increase for thumb gusset on even rows (2,4 and 6) as follows. Thumb gusset is worked using M1R and MIL backward loop cast on method. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pnR_Xm7W52o

Right Mitten

Knit to 1 st. before end of the front 18 sts.,
M1R, K1, we will then do the K1, M1L when we round the corner to purl the back side of mitten. (2 sts. increased)

Every other even Row, Rows (2,4 and 6) M1R, K1, round the corner to back side, K1, M1L.

Left Mitten

On front 18 sts. K1, M1L then knit chart across front as usual, round corner and purl to last stitch on back side of mitten M1R, K1 (2 sts. increased)

Every other even Row, Rows (2,4 and 6), K1, M1L, continue Chart ~ and back side of mitten to last stitch, M1R, K1 .

Keep going in pattern and doing thumb gusset increases on even rows (2,4 and 6) until there are 10 sts. Increased. Place these 10 sts. on waste yarn and continue mitten in the round until mitten measures 9" from cast on edge or just covers the knuckle on your middle finger.

K2, P2 for 7 Rows,

Bind off In Rib

Et Voila!

Enjoy!!!

Finishing Thumb: you can certainly turn the mittens inside out to finish off the thumbs if you would prefer to knit rather than purl but the thumbs are finished in garter stitch. I closed in the thumbs in the photo but would prefer to match the look of the fingerless mitts with an open thumb by knitting thumbs to your desired length and then doing a few rows of k2 p2 ribbing. You can certainly download my Iceberg Mittens Pattern if you would like exact directions for finishing thumbs.
<http://www.ravelry.com/patterns/library/iceberg-mittens>

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Chart A																				
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 Knit																	 C4B			
 Purl																	 C4F			



C4B – slip the next two sts. onto a cable needle and hold a back of work K2 from left hand needle, then K2 from cable needle.

C4F – slip the next two sts. onto a cable needle and hold a front of work K2 from left hand needle, then K2 from cable needle.

M1R – M1R using the backward loop method see link to video tutorial on page 2 of written pattern.

M1L - M1L using the backward loop method see link to video tutorial on page 2 of written pattern.

Invisible Increase – lift up stitch below the stitch on left hand needle from back to front and place up onto the left needle. Knit into the back of this stitch. One stitch increased. Do this on every second knit stitch, purl the purl's.

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