



Smitten

Designed by Julie Weisenberger



Knit a Smitten for you and your lover or for a loved one to use as a muff. The smitten also makes a great wedding or Valentine's Day gift since it's a quick knit with super-bulky yarn single or chunky yarn held doubled. Pattern includes instructions for both the smitten and two mittens for the other hands. Nothing says love quite like a smitten..

Skills Needed

General knitting.

Size

One size.

Materials

Yarn Options

- 2 skeins Rowan Big Wool (100% Merino Wool, 100g/87yd),
or
- 2 skeins Malabrigo Rasta (100% Merino wool, 150g/90 yds),
or

- any bulky yarn held double throughout

Needles

- US 13 and US 15, two circls or dpns.
Change needle size if necessary to obtain correct gauge.

Gauge

2 sts = 1" in St st.

Abbreviations

See cocoknits.com for complete glossary of terms.

Smitten Directions

With US 13 needles, CO 20 sts. Join, being careful not to twist, and work k2, p2 rib for 3½" or desired length. In last rnd of rib, work [k1, kf&b, p1, pf&b] repeat across; 30 sts.

Switch to US 15 needles and k 5 rnds. Cut yarn leaving tail and place sts on hold.

Repeat for other cuff but do not cut yarn or place sts on hold.

Join Cuffs

K15 from working cuff, pm, k30 held sts from first cuff, pm, k last 15 sts of working cuff; 60 sts. You can place unique marker here to denote beginning of rnd but do no shaping here.

Rnd 1: [k to 2 sts before m, k2tog, sl m, ssk] repeat once, k to end of rnd.

Rnd 2: K.

Repeat these two rnds 4 times; 44 sts.

Beg Edge Dec

Move markers to beg of rnd and after 22 sts to mark sides.

Rnd 1: *ssk, k to 2 sts before m, k2tog, sl m, repeat from *.

Rnd 2: K.

Repeat these two rnds until 8 sts rem. Break yarn leaving tail, thread through rem sts, and pull. Secure yarn and word in end. Use tail from first cuff to close any holes created by joining cuffs.

Mitten Directions

With US 13 needle, CO 20 sts. Join, being careful not to twist and work k2, p2 rib for 3½" or desired cuff length. In the last rnd, add 2 sts evenly; 22 sts. PM for beginning of rnd.

Switch to US 15 needles and k5 rnds.

Beg Thumb Gusset

Rnd 1: K1, m1, k to last st, m1, k1; 24 sts.

Rnd 2: K.

Rnd 3: K2, m1, k to last 2 sts, m1, k2; 26 sts.

Rnd 4: K.

Rnd 5: K3, m1, k to last 3 sts, m1, k3; 28 sts.

Rnd 6: K.

Work Mitten Upper

Rnd 1: K to last 3 sts; place the last 3 sts and the following (first) 3 sts on holder for thumb.

Join and knit around on rem 22 sts only.. Work a further 3" in St st (or until mitten is 1 ½" shorter than desired length to finger tips).

Dec for Mitten Top

Pm for beg of rnd and after 11th st (denote sides).

Rnd 1, 3, 5: *ssk, k to 2 sts before m, k2 tog, repeat from *.

Rnd 2, 4, 6: K.

10 sts rem. Cut yarn, leaving tail. Pull tail through 10 sts and pull to close gap.

Thumb

Place the 6 held sts back on needles; pick up 2 sts from gap on mitten; 8 sts. Work in St st 7 rnds. In 8th rnd, k2tog across rnd; 4 sts. Cut yarn leaving tail. Pull tail through 4 sts and pull to close gap.

Work in any loose ends, block as necessary.

Enjoy!