Seattle Snug Checker Fingerless Gloves Written by Nancy, writer of the blog Getting Purly With It www.gettingpurlywithit.wordpress.com



Materials

Yarn: Rowan Cashsoft DK, Misti Alpaca light worsted weight. Fearless Fibers Cashmere Sportsweight. Any dk, heavy sportsweight or very light worsted yarn will do as long as you have at least about 120 yards of yarn.

Needle Size 3 or size to obtain gauge! I AM A TIGHT KNITTER SO YOU MIGHT CONSIDER A DIFFERENT NEEDLE SIZE TO OBTAIN GAUGE! Darning needle for seaming

Gauge:

6 stitches to an inch in pattern

Be sure to check your gauge, okay? It is not a disaster if you have 6.5 or almost 7 stitches to an inch... it's only a fingerless glove.

Size: Length: approx. 7.5 - 8" Width (when not seamed): approx. 6 - 6.5"

Directions

Step 1: Cast on 42 sts. Make sure you have about 15" tail (for the seaming later on)

Start with 6 rows of k1, p1 ribbing

STEP 2: RS: Knit 1 row across WS: Purl 1 row across

Now look at your work. When facing RS, you will see two rows of KNITTED stitches. So this is your Right Side! When facing WS you will see two rows of PURLED stitches.

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STEP 3:

- 1) With RS facing you: k1, (k4, p4) 5 times, k1
- 2) With WS facing you: p1, (k4, p4) 5 times, p1
- 3) With RS facing you: k1, (k4, p4) 5 times, k1
- 4)With WS facing you: p1, (k4, p4) 5 times, p1

Now you are going to knit the pattern "off set"

5) With RS facing you: k1, (p4, k4) 5 times, k1

6) With WS facing you: p1, (p4, k4) 5 times, p1

7) With RS facing you: k1, (p4, k4) 5 times, k1

8) With WS facing you: k1, (p4, k4) 5 times, k1

Row 1 to 8 form the pattern. Repeat 5 more times so in the end you will have 12 squares counted from top to bottom.

And you will have 10 squares counted from left to right.

Notice that the outer border stitches (the very first and the very last) are KNIT when RS if facing you. When WS is facing you the very first and the very last stitch are PURLED. Why is this? It will make the seaming later on much easier.

STEP 4:

With RS facing you: knit one row across With WS facing you: purl one row across

STEP 5:

Almost there! Make 4 rows of k1, p1 ribbing and bind off loosely in ribbing pattern. Make sure you leave a 10 inch tail when you cut off the yarn.

STEP 6:

Seam that glove!

The BOTTOM of your glove are the first 6 ribbed rows, the TOP of your glove are the 4 ribbed rows.

Make sure that when you fold the glove in half that the Right Side is facing you!

Start seaming down from the top for about 2inches.

Now with the tail end at the bottom of the glove, start seaming up for about 4 inches.

If all went well, you should have an opening for your thumb that is about 1 1/4 inches wide.

It is all up to you where and how big exactly you want that thumb opening to be. Weave in ends.

Enjoy!