

# Mittens with a Flap *by PrettyKnittyJewelry Designs*



## Materials:

Worsted Weight yarn, less than 100g (*I used Cascade 220 for the red ones*)  
[Instructions for DK Weight yarn in brackets]

Double pointed needles, size US 4 (3.5mm) [US 3 (3.25mm)] **or** long, circular needles (*for magic loop*)

1 stitch marker and waste yarn (*for working thumb gusset*)

You may want to use a row counter. I generally do, but it's not necessary. However, my lengths are measured in rows, rather than inches or cm.

## Gauge:

~5.5[6.5]sts and ~8[9.25] rows/inch, but **shhhh!**, I never check gauge. If they are looking

too small after a few rounds, rip 'em out and start over with a few more stitches. If the row count I give you doesn't look long enough, knit a couple more rows!

**Size:** To fit my hand, woman, medium-sized, shall we say?

**Notes:** Take them while you knit. Record your adjustments, get comfortable with the procedure, and you should be able to adapt the flap to any other mitten pattern out there!

**Cast on** 36[44] sts loosely and divide onto double points or magic loop for knitting in the round. Join without twisting, and work k2, p2 ribbing for 24[28] rounds.

Start at Row 1 again (*if using a counter*), and knit around, inc 4[6] evenly around (40[50] sts total).

Round 2: Knit all stitches

Round 3: (Rt): k1, kf&b, k1, kf&b, place marker, knit around (*incs made on "front" of mitten*)

(L): k16[21], place marker, kf&b, k1, kf&b, k1, knit around (*incs made on "front" of mitten*)

Round 4 & 5: Knit around, slipping marker (SM) as you come to it.

Round 6: (Rt): k1, kf&b, knit to one stitch before marker, kf&b, SM, knit around

(L): k16[21], SM, kf&b, knit to 2 sts before end of "front", kf&b, k1, knit around

Round 7 & 8: Knit around, slipping marker as you come to it.

Round 9–20[9-23]: Repeat rounds 6-8 four[five] times more. There are now 52[64] sts total.

**Top of Hand:** Start at row 1 again.

Round 1: (Rt): K2, slip 13[15] sts onto waste yarn for thumb, cast on 1st, and knit around.

(L): K17, slip 13[15] sts onto waste yarn for thumb, cast on 1 stitch, and knit around.

Round 2-10: Knit around plain. (*You are back to working on 40[50] sts now*)

Round 11: k20[25], p20[25] (*The purl bumps mark the placement for the flap on the back of mitten.*)

Round 12: Knit around plain.

Round 13: While decreasing evenly 4[2] sts around, work k2, p2 ribbing.

Rounds 14-20[4-22]: (k2, p2) around.

Bind off loosely, and cut yarn.

**Thumb:**

From the waste yarn, place 13[15] stitches on dpns or circular needles, and pick up and knit an additional 4[5] sts in the "gap" where the thumb joins the hand. Then knit around the other 13[15] sts as well, this is round 1.

Round 2: knit around, with 1[0] k2tog where the thumb joins the hand. (16[20] sts total)

Rounds 3-15[3-18]: Knit around.

Round 16[19]: k2tog around, cut yarn leaving a long tail. Using a tapestry needle, draw tail through live stitches once or twice, then bring to inside of thumb to knot and weave in the end.

**Flap:**

Cast on 18[22] sts to an empty dpn or the cable needle (*if magic-looping*). With same needle, and the mitten back facing you, wrist ribbing at the bottom, pick up and knit a stitch in 20[26] purl bumps on the back of the hand. Join and arrange these 38[48] sts to work in the round, 18[22] free sts, 20[26] sts on the mitten back.

Rounds 1-8: (p2, k2) across the 18[22] free stitches cast on, k across the other 20 sts.

Round 9: k1, m1, k16[20], m1, k21 (40 stitches total)

Rounds 10-22[10-26]: knit around We are now finished counting rounds.

(k4, k2tog) around until 16[20] sts remain.

(k3, k2tog) around until 10 sts remain.

Place stitches on parallel needles and graft closed, taking care to make the top of the mitten "flat" in the same direction the mitten will lie flat **OR**

Cut yarn and draw through all live stitches, as for thumb, bringing tail to inside of flap to knot and/or weave in. Make another mitten, preferably for the other hand. lol!



And that's all there is to it! Simple, huh? And quick, I tell ya!

Now, winter's never far away, so go whip up a pair...and make a bunch for next winter, too! They make great Christmas gifts!

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