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## Dyer Neck Mittlets



**Yarn:** 1 Skein Upton Yarns 3-Ply Coopworth (my test knitter and I each had less than 18 inches left over – knit carefully or buy 2 skeins and knit a longer cuff)

**Gauge:** 22 st and 29 rows per 4 inches size 4 needles (3.5mm) or size needed to obtain correct gauge. I tend to knit very tightly; you may want to use needles that are one or even two sizes smaller.

**Sizes:** Women's medium – based on wanting the wrist to be 7" in circumference, but the rib is forgiving.

### Stitch Glossary:

2stFC: Move 2 st to holder in **back** of work, K2, K2 st from holder

2st BC: Move 2 st to holder in **front** of work, K2, K2 st from holder.

M1L: With left needle, pick up bar between stitches, moving needle from front to back. Knit into back of loop.

M1R: With left needle, pick up bar between stitches, moving needle from back to front. Knit into front of loop.

**Left Mittlet :** c/o 43st.

**1<sup>st</sup> Row:** \*K2 P2\* repeat between the \* 3 times. K4. \*P2 K2\* until 1 st remains. Divide stitches evenly across three needles. Join knitting without twisting. Transfer remaining un-knit stitch to start of next row on left needle and knit it together with the first stitch of the next row. 42 st. total.

**2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> Rows:** Cont. as est.

**5<sup>th</sup> Row:** \*K2 P2\* 3 times, M1L, K4, M1R, \*P2 K2\* to end of row.

**6<sup>th</sup> Row:** \*K2 P2\* 3 times, M1L, K6, M1R, \*P2 K2\* to end of row. 46 st. total.

**7<sup>th</sup> Row:** \*K2 P2\* 3 times, 2stFC, 2stBC, \*P2 K2\* to end of row. Continue to cable as established every fourth row.

**8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> Rows:** Knit the knits, purl the purls.

**10<sup>th</sup> Row: Establish palm:** K4, work 24 st in established pattern, knit to end of row

**11<sup>th</sup> Row:** Continue in pattern as established, cabling the cables.

**12<sup>th</sup> Row: Begin thumb increases.** K2, PM,\* M1L, K2, M1R\* PM, continue as est. to end of row. Continue to

increase thumb stitches (stitches between markers) every third row until there are 14 thumb st and 60 st total, knitting the increased st between the markers, e.g. next increase will be \*M1L, K4, M1R\* then \*M1L, K6, M1R\*.

When there are 14 thumb st, and piece measures 3” long, or just a little shy of desired length to top of thumb, work next 2 rows, then move 14 thumb st to holder, casting on 2 st to bridge the gap, working them as K st in subsequent rows. Continue in established pattern until mittlet measures 5 inches long, or  $\frac{3}{4}$ ” less than desired total length, preferably having just completed the first row after a cable row (I think it makes the end of the cable look better – but it isn’t necessary).

**Next row,** work in P1 K1 rib to the cable st. K first cable st, then P2tog, K2tog, P2tog, K final cable st, continue on in P1 K1 rib to end of row. P remaining st in row together with the first st of the next row. 42 st total. Continue in P1 K1 rib for five rows or desired length, bind off loosely.

## Both Thumbs

Pick up 14 thumb st from holder, and 2 st. across inside of thumb. Divide across three needles. Knit two rows, or until thumb measures  $\frac{1}{2}$ ” less than desired length. Work in K1 P1 rib for next three rows. Bind off loosely.

## Right Mittlet: C/o 43 St.

**Row 1:** \*P2 K2\* (that is not a typo – Purl 2, then Knit 2 – it makes things more neat) 6 times P2, K4, then P2 K2 to end of row. Join work as for left mittlet, purling final stitch of row 1 together with first st of row 2.. 42 st total.

**2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> Rows:** Cont. as est.

**5<sup>th</sup> Row:** \*P2, K2\* 6 times, P2, M1L, K4, M1R, \*P2 K2\* to end of row.

**6<sup>th</sup> Row:** \*P2, K2\* 6 times, P2, M1L, K6, M1R, \*P2 K2\* to end of row. 46 st. total

**7<sup>th</sup> Row:** \*P2, K2\* 6 times, 2stFC, 2stBC, \*P2 K2\* to end of row. Continue to cable as established every fourth row.

**8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> Rows:** Knit the knits, purl the purls.

**10<sup>th</sup> Row: Establish palm:** Knit 18 st, P2, K2, P2, K8, P2, K2, P2, K to end of row.

**11<sup>th</sup> Row:** Continue as established

**12<sup>th</sup> Row: Begin thumb increases** Staying in pattern, Knit 18 st, P2, work through cable, P2, K2, PM \*M1L, K2, M1R\*, PM, K4. Continue to increase thumb stitches (between the markers) every third row until there are 14 thumb st and 60 st total, knitting increased st between the markers, e.g. next increase will be \*M1L, K4, M1R\* then \*M1L, K6, M1R\*.

When there are 14 thumb st, and piece measures 3” long, or just a little shy of desired length to top of thumb, work next 2 rows, then move 14 thumb st to holder, casting on 2 st to bridge the gap, working them as K st in subsequent rows. Continue in established pattern until mittlet measures 5 inches long, or  $\frac{3}{4}$ ” less than desired total length, preferably having just completed the first row after a cable row.

**Next Row:** K1,P1 rib to the cable st. K first cable st then P2tog, K2tog, P2tog, K final cable st, continue on in P1 K1 rib to end of row. K last st in row together with first st of next row. 42st total. Continue in K1 P1 rib for five rows or desired length. Bind off loosely.

