

Poplar

Designed by Amy Christoffers / Skill level: Intermediate



FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Hat: Approximately 16" / 40.5 cm around x 9" / 23 cm high (unstretched)

Mittens: Approximately 6½" / 16.5 cm around x 8¼" / 21 cm long

YARN

BERROCO SESAME (100 grs): 1 ball #7457 Chestnut for Hat and 1 ball for Mittens (note: color shown was discontinued)

NEEDLES and NOTIONS

16" / 40 cm circular needles, sizes 5 / 3.75 mm and 7 / 4.5 mm *or size to obtain gauge*

1 set double-pointed needles, size 7 / 4.5 mm

3 stitch markers (1 a different color for beg-of-rnd)

Tapestry needle

GAUGE

21 sts and 36 rnds = 4" / 10 cm in Pattern Stitch on larger needles
Gauge shown is after blocking. To save time and ensure accurate measurements, take time to check gauge.

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PATTERN STITCH

Even number of stitches

Rnd 1: * Sl 1 wyif, p1; rep from * around.

Rnd 2: Knit.

Rnd 3: * P1, sl 1 wyif; rep from * around.

Rnd 4: Knit.

Rep these 4 rounds for Pattern Stitch.

HAT

With smaller circular needle, cast on 84 sts. Place marker and join for working in the round. Work even in k1, p1 ribbing for 2½" / 6.5 cm. Change to larger needles and Pattern Stitch and work even until piece measures 7½" / 19 cm from beginning, end with Rnd 3 of Pattern Stitch.

Note: As you decrease for crown, when there are too few stitches to fit comfortably on circular needle, change to dpns, dividing stitches onto 3 needles.

Shape Crown: Dec Rnd 1: K4, * CDD, k9; rep from * to last 8 sts, end CDD, k5—70 sts.

Next Rnd: * Sl 1 wyif, p1; rep from * around.

Dec Rnd 2: K3, * CDD, k7; rep from * to last 7 sts, end CDD, k4—56 sts.

Next Rnd: * P1, sl 1 wyif; rep from * around.

Dec Rnd 3: K2, * CDD, k5; rep from * to last 6 sts, end CDD, k3—42 sts.

Next Rnd: * Sl 1 wyif, p1; rep from * around.

Dec Rnd 4: K1, * CDD, k3; rep from * to last 5 sts, end CDD, k2—28 sts.

Next Rnd: * P1, sl 1 wyif; rep from * around.

Dec Rnd 5: * CDD, k1; rep from * around—14 sts.

Next Rnd: * Sl 1 wyif, p1; rep from * around.

Dec Rnd 6: * K2tog; rep from * around—7 sts.

Break off yarn leaving an 8" / 20 cm long end. Thread end into tapestry needle and draw through all sts on needles. Pull up tightly and secure, then fasten off.

FINISHING

Weave in all ends then block as desired.





LEFT MITTEN

With dpns, cast on 36 sts. Divide evenly over 3 needles, place different colored marker and join for working in the round.

Ribbing: Rnd 1: * K1tbl, p1tbl; rep from * around. Rep this round 5 times more. Change to St st (knit EVERY rnd) and work even until piece measures 2½" / 6.5 cm (or desired length) from beginning.

Work Rnd 1 of Pattern Stitch.**

Shape Thumb Gusset: Next Rnd (Pattern Rnd 2): Knit to last 2 sts, pm, M1R, k1, M1L, pm, k1—38 sts (3 sts in thumb gusset). Work 3 rnds in pattern stitch.

Next Rnd: Knit to first marker, sm, M1R, knit to next marker, M1L, sm, k1—40 sts (5 sts in thumb gusset). Work 3 rounds in Pattern Stitch. Rep the last 4 rounds 3 times more—46 sts (11 sts in thumb gusset).

Divide for Thumb: Next Rnd: Knit to first marker, remove marker, slip the next 11 sts to waste yarn for thumb, using backwards loop method, cast on 1 st, k1—36 sts. Work even in Pattern Stitch until piece measures 3" / 7.5 cm above thumb sts (or 1" / 2.5 cm shorter than total desired length for hand) ending with pattern Rnd 1 or 3.

Shape Top: Dec Rnd 1: [K1, SSK, k13, k2tog] twice—32 sts. Work 1 round pattern stitch.

Dec Rnd 2: [K1, SSK, k11, k2tog] twice—28 sts. Work 1 round pattern stitch.

Dec Rnd 3: [K1, SSK, k9, k2tog] twice—24 sts. Work 1 round pattern stitch.

Dec Rnd 4: [K1, SSK, k7, k2tog] twice—20 sts. Work 1 round pattern stitch.

Dec Rnd 5: [K1, SSK, k5, k2tog] twice—16 sts. Work 1 round pattern stitch.

Dec Rnd 6: [K1, SSK, k3, k2tog] twice—12 sts. Work 1 round pattern stitch.

Break yarn, leaving a 12" / 30.5 cm long tail. Divide stitches onto 2 needles, the first 6 stitches on 1 needle, the second on the other. Graft the mitten top closed using kitchener stitch.

RIGHT MITTEN

Work as for left mitten up to **

Shape Thumb Gusset: Next Rnd (pattern Rnd 2): K1, pm, M1R, k1, M1L, pm, knit to end—38 sts (3 sts in thumb gusset). Work 3 rounds in pattern stitch

Next Rnd: K1, sm, M1R, knit to next marker, M1L, sm, knit to end—40 sts (5 sts in thumb gusset). Work 3 rounds in Pattern Stitch.

Rep the last 3 rounds 3 times more—46 sts (11 sts in thumb gusset).

Divide for Thumb: Next Rnd: K1, remove marker, slip the next 11 sts to waste yarn for thumb, using backwards loop method, cast on 1 st, knit to end—36 sts. Complete as for left mitten.

FINISHING

Thumbs: Sl 11 sts from waste yarn to 3 dpns. Rejoin yarn, leaving a 6" / 15 cm long tail; pick up and knit 1 st over cast-on stitch—12 sts. Place marker and join for working in the round. Work even in Pattern for 1½" / 4 cm (or desired length) ending with a pattern Rnd 1 or 3.

Shape Top: Next Rnd: * K2tog; rep from * around—6 sts. Work 1 round pattern stitch.

Next Rnd: [K2tog] 3 times—3 sts.

Break yarn leaving a 6" / 15 cm long tail. Thread tail into tapestry needle and draw through all sts on needles. Pull up tightly and secure, then fasten off. Using tail from beginning of thumb, close any gaps that may occur at base of thumb. Weave in all ends and block as desired.



STANDARD ABBREVIATIONS & TERMS

beg: beginning
CC: contrasting color
CDD: Centered Double Decrease—Slip 2 together (as if to k2tog), knit 1, pass the 2 slipped stitches over
cn: cable needle
dec: decrease
dpn(s): double pointed needle(s)
end on WS: end having just completed a Wrong Side row.
end on RS: end having just completed a Right Side row
Garter St: Knit EVERY row when working back and forth in rows. Knit 1 round, purl 1 round when working in the round.
inc: increase
k: knit
k tbl: knit through the back loop(s)
k2tog: knit 2 stitches together
k3tog: knit 3 stitches together
kfb: knit in the front and back of the next st
LH: left hand
LLI: Left Lifted Increase—Insert LH needle into the purl bump one row below the st just worked on the RH needle and knit into this st (1 st inc'd)
M1: Make 1—Pick up horizontal strand between stitch just worked and next stitch from front to back, place on left hand needle, knit this stitch through the back (1 stitch increased).
M1L: Make 1 Left—Work as for M1.
M1p: Make 1 purl—Pick up horizontal strand between stitch just worked and next stitch from front to back, place on left hand needle, purl this stitch through the back (1 stitch increased).
M1pL: Make 1 purl Left—Work as for M1p.
M1pR: Make 1 purl Right—Pick up horizontal strand between stitch just worked and next stitch from back to front, place on left hand needle, purl this stitch through the front (1 stitch increased).
M1R: Make 1 Right—Pick up horizontal strand between stitch just worked and next stitch from back to front, place on left hand needle, knit this stitch through the front (1 stitch increased).
MC: main color
p: purl
p tbl: purl through the back loop(s)
p2tog: purl 2 stitches together
p3tog: purl 3 stitches together
pat(s): pattern(s)

pm: place marker
pssso: pass slipped stitch over knit stitch
rep: repeat
Rev St st: Reverse Stockinette Stitch—Purl 1 row, knit 1 row alternately when working back and forth in rows. The purl side is the right side of the work. Purl EVERY round when working in the round.
RH: right hand
RLI: Right Lifted Increase—Insert RH needle into the purl bump of the next st on the LH needle and knit into this st (1 st inc'd)
rnd(s): round(s)
RS: right side
sl: slip
sm: slip marker
SSK: Slip 2 stitches knitwise, insert point of left hand needle through fronts of these 2 stitches and knit 2 together.
SSP: Slip 2 stitches knitwise, transfer these 2 stitches back to left hand needle, purl 2 together through the back loops.
SSSK: Slip 3 stitches knitwise, insert point of left hand needle through fronts of these 3 stitches and knit 3 together.
st(s): stitch(es)
St st: Stockinette Stitch—Knit 1 row, purl 1 row alternately when working back and forth in rows. The knit side is the right side of work. Knit EVERY round when working in the round.
tbl: through back loop(s)
w&t: wrap and turn, a method of concealing a hole created in short row shaping. On RS rows: With yarn held in front, slip next stitch purlwise, then bring yarn between needles to the back. Slip that same stitch back to the left needle. Turn your work. On WS Rows: With yarn held in back, slip next stitch purlwise, then bring yarn between needles to the front. Slip that same stitch back to the left needle. Turn your work. Unless otherwise indicated, each time you come to a wrapped stitch when working subsequent rows, slip the wrap back over stitch and onto needle, then work the wrap together with its accompanying stitch.
WS: wrong side
wyib: with yarn in back
wyif: with yarn in front
yo: yarn over

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