World's End Fingerless Gloves

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The inspiration for this pattern came to me during a visit to Ushuaia, the southernmost city in the world. I was awestruck by the natural beauty and the muted blue-gray colours of the rippling water, craggy earth, snow-covered mountains and wispy, wind-swept clouds.

These fingerless gloves are worked from the arm towards the hand, with a gusset thumb. A straightforward lace pattern runs down the arm and onto the back of the hand. Garter ribbing at the cuff and hand gives the glove a sophisticated and interesting look.

Size:

Women's Medium 6.5 inch/16.5 cm wrist circumference 1-2 inches of negative ease

Yarn:

Malabrigo Yarn, Sock 100% Merino wool Light Fingering / 3 ply Approx 70q (308 yards)

This pattern is written for a light fingering or fingering weight yarn. Anything labeled as 'sock yarn' should work well. Feel free to pick something pretty from your stash!

Gauge:

7 stitches and 11-12 rows = 1 inch For best results, adjust your needle size so that you knit to this gauge.

Needles:

US size 1 (2.25 mm)



Employ the knitting method of your choice; use a set of 4 or 5 double pointed needles, a long circular needle (for the Magic Loop method) or two circular needles.

Supplies:

Darning needle

4 Stitch markers (ideally, select two different pairs of stitch markers)

Split ring stitch marker (optional)

Waste yarn

Pattern abbreviations:

k = Knit

p = Purl

pm = Place marker

YO = Yarn over

SSK = Slip, slip, knit

K2tog = Knit 2 together

slm = Slip marker

** = repeat the instructions between each * the number of times indicated

M1L = Make one left: Pass your left hand needle from *front to back* to pick up the strand of yarn that extends between your stitches, then knit this strand *through the back loop*.

M1R = Make one right: Pass your left hand needle from *back to front* to pick up the strand of yarn that extends between your stitches, then knit this strand as a normal knit stitch (knitted *through the front loop*).

Garter Ribbing:

Round 1: *k1, p1*

Round 2: Knit all stitches

Pattern Repeat

Round 1: Knit until first marker, *YO, k2, pass the yarn over both knit stitches* (4 times), knit until the

end of the round

Round 2: Knit all stitches

TOP CUFF

Cast on 56 stitches using the long-tail cast on.

Join for working in the round. Mark the beginning of the round with a split-ring stitch marker.

Work garter ribbing as follows:

Round 1: *k1, p1*

Round 2: Knit all stitches

Repeat the above two rounds six times (12 rounds total).



BODY OF GLOVE

Round 1: k24, pm, k8, pm, k24

Pattern Repeat

Round 2: Knit until first marker, *YO, k2, pass the yarn over both knit stitches* (4 times), knit until the end of the round

Round 3: Knit all stitches

Repeat rows 2 and 3 for ten pattern repeats (20 rounds total).

Decrease Rounds

Round 4: Knit until 2 stitches before the marker, ssk, *YO, k2, pass the yarn over both knit stitches* (4 times), k2tog, knit until the end of the round.

Round 5: Knit all stitches

Repeat the above Pattern Repeats (rounds 2 and 3, repeated 10 times) and Decrease Rounds (rounds 4 and 5, once) until 48 stitches remain (you will have decreased four stitches on each side of your glove).

Repeat Pattern Repeat (rounds 2 and 3) an additional 10 times (20 rounds total).

THUMB GUSSET

Continue the Patterns Repeats as set out above, and, AT THE SAME TIME, build your thumb.

Round 1 for LEFT GLOVE: k10, pm, M1L, k2, M1R, pm, knit in pattern to end of round.

OR

Round 1 for RIGHT GLOVE: Knit in pattern until 12 stitches before the end of the round. pm, M1L, k2, M1R, pm, knit until end of round.

For both gloves:

Round 2: Knit all stitches

Round 3: Knit according to pattern repeat

Round 4: Knit all stitches

Round 5: Work until marker, slm, M1L, knit until next marker, M1R, slm, work until end of round.

Round 6: Knit all stitches

Round 7: Knit according to pattern repeat

Round 8: Knit all stitches

Repeat Rounds 5 - 8 until you have a total of 64 stitches on your needles (you should have added a total of 16 stitches between your two thumb markers).

Knit to marker. Remove marker. Place your 16 thumb stitches on waste yarn. Remove other marker. Knit until end of round.

HAND:

Join the remaining 46 stitches for working in the round. Work in pattern for 12 rounds. Knit in garter ribbing for 6 rounds. Bind off.

THUMB:

Pick up remaining stitches from waste yarn. Knit in the round for 12 rounds. Knit in garter ribbing for 6 rounds. Bind off.

FINISHING:

You may find that there is a small gap between the thumb and the hand. Sew this hole closed using extra yarn.

Sew in ends. Block gently. Travel as close to the Antarctica as you can get. Enjoy.



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