

BEFORE YOU START

MITTEN SIZES

One should think that big people have big hands, and small people have small hands, but it's not that easy. Quite often, hand sizes do not correspond with the actual height of a person. There are petite hands and slim hands, and real bear paws, and wide hands, and chubby hands, and normal hands – whatever you call normal, anyway. Coming to children, the whole affair gets completely out of hands as children's hands and feet tend to grow quicker than the rest ...

Allright, it will be difficult without a measuring tape. If you want to be on the safe side, it would be best to use a well fitting mitten as a master template, or you get your hands on the hands of the one the mittens are intended for.

The chart below gives you some hints for the sizes, but don't take it too literally. On the following pages, you find the fully written patterns for 5 sizes, including more measurements. **All sizes are founded on the gauge below.**

With different yarns and gauges, you can adapt sizes and looks – just give it a try!

WASHING AND BLOCKING

Use a steam iron (but be careful!) to block the cap of the mitten as it has a tendency to curve to the inside when unblocked. Wash according to the yarn slip. If in doubt, always opt for hand washing.

Size	Wrist circumference	Hand circumference (measured at the widest part, mostly just below the base joints of the fingers).	Size fits ...
XS	approx. 15 cm	approx. 17 cm	kids in primary school
S	approx. 17 cm	approx. 19 cm	women and adolescents
M	approx. 19 cm	approx. 21 cm	women and men
L	approx. 21 cm	approx. 23 cm	men and tall women
XL	approx. 24 cm	approx. 26 cm	men with bears paws ;-)

GAUGE IN STOCKINETTE STITCH IN ROWS

17 stitches x 26 rows = 10 x 10 cm = 4 x 4 inches

KNITTING TECHNIQUES AND ABBREVIATIONS

More elaborate techniques and abbreviations you find in the appendix.

QUESTIONS?

Email steffi@cats-and-hats.de

I will respond to questions regarding this pattern, however it may take me some time due to time regions and my accessibility to email. Usually it's better to ask a friend first, because she (or he) may find a solution for you faster.

Before printing
have a close look at
the pattern. You might
only need to print out
a few pages.

PAGES

For all mittens you need pages 4 to 7 and ...

... size XS: page 8 + 9

... size S: page 10 + 11

... size M: page 12 + 13

... size L: page 14 + 15

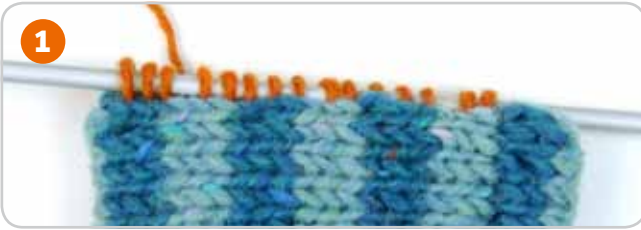
... size XL: page 16 + 17

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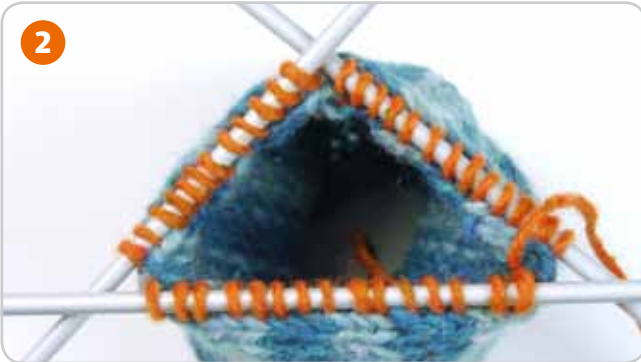
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PIPE BAND AND ROLLED HEM ON THE BOTTOM EDGE (1)



1 2 With the pipe band colour, pick up **35–40–45–50–55** stitches from one of the sides (see appendix).

To reach this stitch number, pick up 5 stitches from two stripes, that is you skip every sixth row. Use the dpn set.

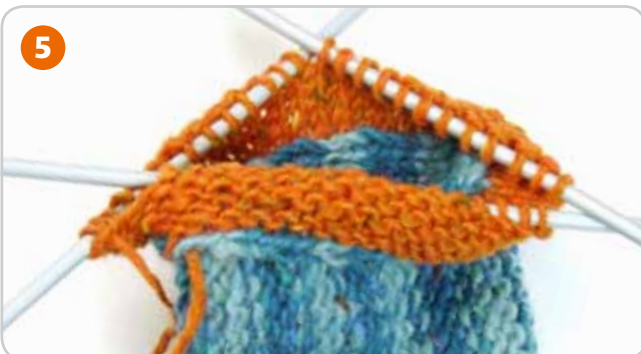
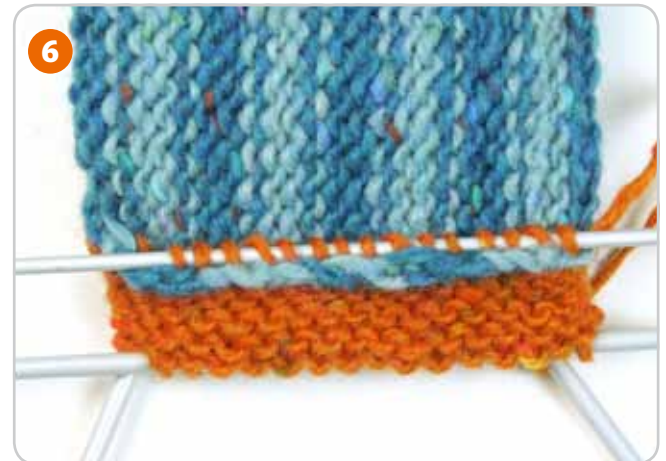


3 **Knit 5 rounds in stockinette stitch in pipe band colour.** Including the pick up round, you now have 6 countable rounds. Break pipe band yarn.

4 5 Turn over the cuff to the wrong side.

6 Beginning at the start of the round, pick up 10 to 15 stitches with a dpn from the backside as seen on the picture. The picking up will be easier when using a slimmer dpn (3,0 mm).

7 Knit together the stitches from the pipe band with the picked up stitches using yarn in colour 2. (See appendix as well.)



SIZE S

This size fits adolescents, small women and taller women with slim hands.

Wrist circumference: approx. 17 cm

Hand circumference: approx. 19 cm

Gauge in stockinette stitch:

17 stitches x 26 rows = 10 x 10 cm = 4 x 4 inches

Material usage of original yarn (see page 2)

Colour 1: cerise 60 g (no. 4816)

Colour 2: purple 25 g (no. 4814)

Pipe band colour: light grey 15 g (no. 2017)

Cuffs, pipes and rolled hem:

Please follow instructions on page 4 to 7

Width of striped band:

Pick up 16 stitches from the crocheted chain

Number of stripes:

16 stripes = 48 rows = approx. 18,5 cm

Bottom edge: Pick up 40 sts

Upper pipe band: Pick up 32 sts

STEP 1: THUMB GUSSET

According to the special anatomy of a human hand with the thumb opposite the other fingers, **the right and left mitten are worked mirrored**. In the following pattern part, the stitch count of the right mitten is listed before the stitch count of the left mitten, with a dash in between (like kXX-kYY).

Important: The start of round remains at the same place up to the end. Place a marker.

Round 1: See page 8: „connecting round“ of the pipe band, you already worked this round (= 32 sts)
After round 1, change knitting direction.

Round 2 + 3: Knit all sts

Round 4: k10-k20, m1l, k2, m1r, k20-k10 (= 34 sts)

Round 5 + 6: Knit all sts

Round 7: k10-k20, m1l, k4, m1r, k20-k10 (= 36 sts)

Round 8 + 9: Knit all sts

Round 10: k10-k20, m1l, k6, m1r, k20-k10 (= 38 sts)

Round 11 + 12: Knit all sts

Round 13: k10-k20, m1l, k8, m1r, k20-k10 (= 40 sts)

Round 14 + 15: Knit all sts

Round 16: k10-k20, m1l, k10, m1r, k20-k10 (= 42 sts)

Round 17 – 18: Knit all sts

Round 19: k10-k20, slip 12 sts onto stitch holder, knit on 4 sts, k20-k10 (= 34 sts) (picture on next page 1)



STEP 2: MIDDLE PART

Rearrange stitches. From start of round, the distribution on the dpns is as follows:

1st dpn = 8 sts; 2nd dpn = 9 sts;

3rd dpn = 9 sts; 4th dpn = 8 sts

For the mitten depicted above I knitted 24 rounds.

According to the length of the hand and fingers, the length of the mitten is adjusted here, most likely you will knit 22 to 26 rounds. For most people the height before starting the decreases for the cap will be perfect when the tip of the pinky is reached, that is the other three fingers still stick out.

Note the number of rounds you worked for the first mitten here: