



MAGGIE'S RAGS™



Mini Mittens

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Materials - Brown Sheep Lamb's Pride Worsted or any worsted weight yarn.
For each mitten, 4 yards (4 meters) Main Color and 3 yards (3 meters)
Contrast Color

Needles - Set of #7 US (4.5 mm) double pointed needles, yarn needle for finishing.

Measurements - Finished mittens are about 2" (5cm) long and 1 1/4" (3cm) wide

Note - For really tiny mittens, use sock yarn and #1 US (2.25 mm) needles

Cuff - Using contrast color, cast on 12 stitches, leaving a 12" (30cm) tail.
Divide stitches evenly between 3 double pointed needles and join into a circle being careful not to twist.

Purl 3 rounds.

Cut yarn, leaving a 12" (30cm) tail.

Hand - Change to main color, leaving a 12" (30cm) tail.

Knit 3 rounds.

Note that purl stitches on the next round are used for picking up thumb stitches later.

For right mitten: Purl 3, Knit 9.

For left mitten: Knit 9, Purl 3.

Knit 6 rounds.

Knit 2 together around (6 stitches remain).

Cut yarn leaving a 6" (15cm) tail.

Using a yarn needle, pull tail through 6 remaining stitches. Draw up tight, pull end to inside and weave in on inside.

Thumb - Using main color, knit up 3 stitches across bottom edge of purled stitches on one needle, turn mitten upside down and knit up 3 stitches across top edge of purled stitches on a second needle.

Working circularly, knit 3 rounds.

Note: if you find it difficult to work with stitches just on two needles, divide them between three needles.

Cut yarn leaving a 6" (15cm) tail.

Using a yarn needle, pull tail through 6 remaining stitches. Draw up tight, pull end to inside and weave in on inside.

Finishing - Braid the three long tails at the cuff and knot the end. Trim ends to neaten.

If you are comfortable working with i-cord or doing double knitting, you may of course work these mittens using just two needles rather than 4.

