Sipoo Mittens



These mittens are worked bottom up with an Indian thumb gusset. They feature a colorwork section on the palm, which you can work as two or three-color colorwork that's inspired by the Sipoo tapestry. The thumb is worked last.

There are three sizes in the pattern: Child, Adult 1, Adult 2, and each size has its own chart.





SIZES

Child (Adult 1) Adult 2

Measurements

Hand circumference: 16 (20) 24 cm

Length (excl. ribbing): 13 (17) 20 cm, or desired length

YARN

Vuonue, Pentti worsted (240 m/100 g) (70% Finnish wool, 30% Tencel)

Estimated amount of yarn needed

Main color (white): 50 (100) 100 g

Contrasting color 1 (dark petrol): 10 (15) 20 g Contrasting color 2 (light pink): 10 (15) 20 g

Or other DK weight yarn in preferred colors.

NEEDLES

3,5 mm DPNs or a circular needle for the magic loop technique 4 mm DPNs or a circular needle for the magic loop technique

Or others to meet the gauge.

GAUGE

24 sts x 31 rnds = 10 cm x 10 cm (Stockinette in the round with 3,5 mm needles) (Colorwork in the round with 4 mm needles)

Check the gauge by knitting a swatch in both stockinette and colorwork by following the chart.

NOTIONS

- Stitch markers
- Scrap yarn/stitch holders
- A tapestry needle

ABBREVIATIONS

CC - contrasting color
k - knit
MC - main color
p - purl
p/s/rm - place/slip/remove marker
rnd(s) - round(s)
st(s) - stitch(es)

Increases

M1L - Make 1 left-leaning increase; Pick up the strand between the sts from front to back with your left needle and knit this strand from the back loop.
M1R - Make 1 right-leaning increase; Pick up the strand between the sts from back to front with your left needle and knit this strand from the front loop.

Decreases

ssk - slip, slip, knit; Slip 1 st knitwise, slip 1 st knitwise, place the sts back on the left needle, knit the sts through the back loop.

k2tog - knit 2 sts together.

TIPS FOR COLORWORK

Color dominance

How you carry your yarns behind your work determines which color is more prominent in the pattern. When holding the yarns in one hand, hold the contrasting color closer to the work, and always pick up the main color from above it. This way, the contrasting colors are dominant.

Floats

Floats are the strands of yarn from changing colors behind your work. Catch the floats approximately every 5 stitches in your preferred way. The Invisible Stranding method is recommended for long and consistent floats. Make sure your floats have enough slack to prevent the fabric from bunching.

You can work the colorwork section in multiple ways. Choose a preferred method:

- You can work with three colors: MC, CC 1, and CC 2.
- You can work with two colors: MC and CC 1, so you work the vines into the work as you go and duplicate stitch the flowers in the end with CC 2. In this case, work CC 2 in the chart with the main color.
- You can work with two colors: MC and CC, so the vines and flowers are worked with the same color.

PATTERN

RIBBING

Cast on 32 (40) 48 sts with a 3.5 mm needle using the Italian cast-on method. Pm in front of the first sts to mark the beginning of the round.

Work half twisted rib for 4 (5) 5,5 cm.

K 1 rnd.

THUMB GUSSET

Right mitten

Setup rnd: K13 (17) 21, pm for the thumb gusset increases, k until the end of the rnd.

Rnd 1: K until m, sm, M1L, k until the end of the rnd. (1 st increased) Repeat rnd 1 for a total of 19 (25) 29 times. There are now 51 (65) 77 sts.

K1rnd.

Now the thumb sts are left on hold:

Slip the first sts purlwise, slip the next 12 (16) 20 sts onto a stitch holder or scrap yarn, rm. Slip the first sts back onto the left needle, k2tog, k until the end of the rnd.

Now the thumb sts are on hold and the sts for the palm are connected. There are now 40 (48) 56 sts.

Left mitten

Setup rnd: K21 (23) 27, pm for the thumb gusset increases, k until the end of the rnd.

Rnd 1: K until m, M1R, sm, k until the end of the round. (1 st increased) Repeat rnd 1 for a total of 19 (25) 29 times. There are now 51 (65) 77 sts.

K1rnd.

Now the thumb sts are left on hold:

K until 1 st remains before m, slip 1 st purlwise, rm, slip the next 12 (16) 20 sts onto a stitch holder or scrap yarn. Slip the previous sts back onto the left needle and k2tog.

Now the thumb sts are on hold and the sts for the palm are connected. There are now 40 (48) 56 sts.

PALM

K 2 (3) 4 rnds.

Switch to 4 mm needles and work according to the chart. The chart repeats twice during 1 rnd.

After working the chart, switch back to 3,5 mm needles and work 1 rnd with the main color and decrease 2 sts evenly during the rnd. There are now 38 (46) 54 sts.

K 2 (4) 5 rnds or until pinky finger is almost covered.

Now the top is decreased as follows:

Set-up rnd: K19 (23) 27, pm, k until the end of the rnd.

Rnd 1: K1, ssk, k until 2 sts remain before m, k2tog, sm, k1, ssk, k until 2 sts remain, k2tog.

Repeat rnd 1 until 6 sts remain. Break the yarn and pull it through all the remaining sts using a tapestry needle.

THUMB

Move the resting sts onto 3,5 mm needles. K all sts and before joining in the round, pick up 1 st from the base of the thumb. There are now 13 (17) 21 sts in the thumb.

K until 2 sts remain, ssk. (1 st decreased)

Work stockinette until the thumb measures 4 (5) 5,5 cm from the base or when your thumb is almost covered.

Next, sts are decreased as follows:

Rnd 1: *K2 (2) 3, k2tog*, repeat *-* until the end of the rnd.

Rnd 2: *K1 (1) 2, k2tog*, repeat *-* until the end of the rnd.

Only size Adult 2

Rnd 3: *K1, k2tog*, repeat *-* until the end of the rnd.

All sizes

Break the yarn and pull it through all the remaining sts.

Work the other mitten accordingly.

FINISHING

Weave in the ends on the wrong side of the work.

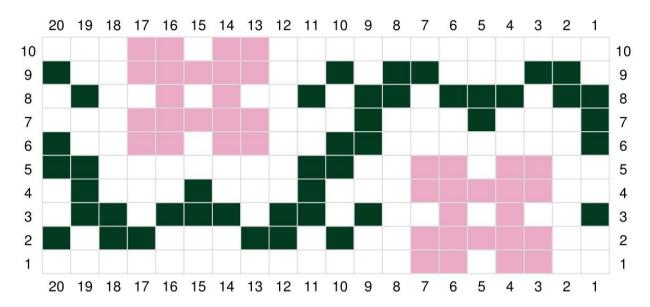
Submerge the mittens in cold water. Squeeze the excess water off and let the mittens dry completely before use.

CHARTS

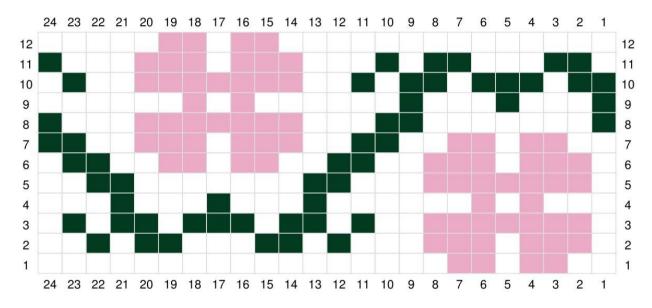
Follow the chart according to your size from right to left, bottom up.

MC
CC 1
CC 2

Child



Adult 1



Adult 2

