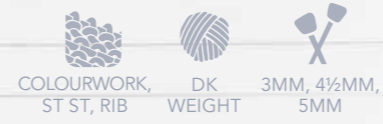


Make these fab mittens with just two balls of yarn!



MEADOW FROST

Simple colourwork and soft pure wool make for the perfect pair of spring mittens! By Faye Perriam-Reed.



YOU WILL NEED

■ Blacker Swan, Falkland Islands Wool DK (100% wool, 50g/110m)
1 ball of each:

Yarn A Balsam Bog

Yarn B Pale Maiden

■ A set of 3mm double-pointed needles (DPNs)

■ A set of 4½mm double-pointed needles (DPNs)

■ A set of 5mm double-pointed needles (DPNs)

■ Stitch holders or waste yarn

■ Tapestry needle

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TENSION

Yarn used knits as DK to this tension:
22 sts and 26 rows to measure 10x10cm (4x4in) over st st using 5mm needles

SIZE

Actual palm circumference:

Small-Medium 18cm (7in)

Large 21cm (8½in)

ABBREVIATIONS

For a full list see page 95 of *Simply Knitting* magazine

Colourwork mittens

How gorgeous are these spring mittens? If you're new to colourwork, this is a great project to start with. The mitts are a manageable size and use just two colours, so they won't cause you any headaches. Cosy and simple, they're sure to become a spring favourite you'll wear year after year!

MITTEN (MAKE 2)

Cast on 40 (48) sts using 3mm needles and Yarn A, and join to work in the round, taking care not to twist sts.

Place marker to mark beg of round. Work in K2, P2 rib for 25 (35) rounds.

Change to 5mm needles.

Work Rounds 1-8 (1-18) from Chart for your size, increasing on Rows 3 (11), 5 (13), 7 (15) and - (17) in Yarn A where indicated by picking up the strand between sts where indicated and knitting into the back of it.

Round 9 (19) Work first 20 (23) sts of Chart, place next 7 (9) sts onto waste yarn for thumb, cast on 10 sts to RH needle using backwards loop method, pass last of these cast-on sts to LH needle and work this stitch tog with the next st as per Chart. This tightens the gap where the sts are joined.

Continue to work Round 9 (19) to end.

Continue to follow Chart as set to Round 36 (46), working decreases where indicated on Rounds 13 (21), 15 (23), 17 (25) and - (27). [40 (48) sts]

Change to 4½mm needles.

Next round Knit using Yarn A.

Dec round 1 *Ssk, K16 (20), k2tog; rep from * once more.



You could substitute the green for blue or red to create a look to suit your coat!

Dec round 2 *Ssk, K14 (18), k2tog; rep from * once more.

Rep last round, working 2 sts less between the ssk and the k2tog on each round until you are left with 8 (10) sts.

Join the top of the Mitten with Kitchener stitch, or grafting.

THUMB

Slip 7 (9) sts from waste yarn onto LH needle and pick up 9 (11) sts from around thumb.

Place marker to mark beg of round. [16 (20) sts]

Next round K7 (9), ssk, K5 (7), k2tog. [14 (18) sts]

Next round Knit.

Continue to knit in rounds until the thumb measures approx 5 (6)cm or desired length.

STEP-BY-STEP HOW TO DO KITCHENER STITCH



1 Cut the yarn, leaving a long tail. Thread yarn purlwise through the first stitch at the front and knitwise through the first stitch at the back.



2 Back to the front. Pass through first stitch knitwise, then slip the stitch from the needle. Sew into the next front st purlwise, pulling the yarn through both stitches.

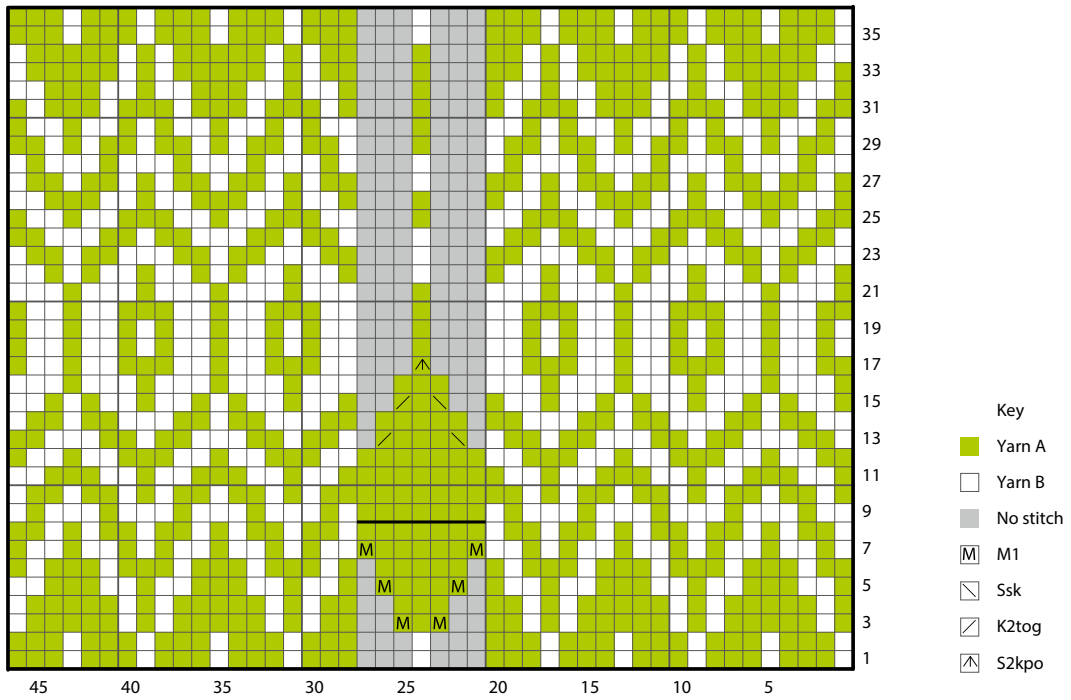


3 Take the sewing needle to the back needle and 'purl' a stitch, then slip that stitch from the needle. 'Knit' into the next stitch on the back needle.

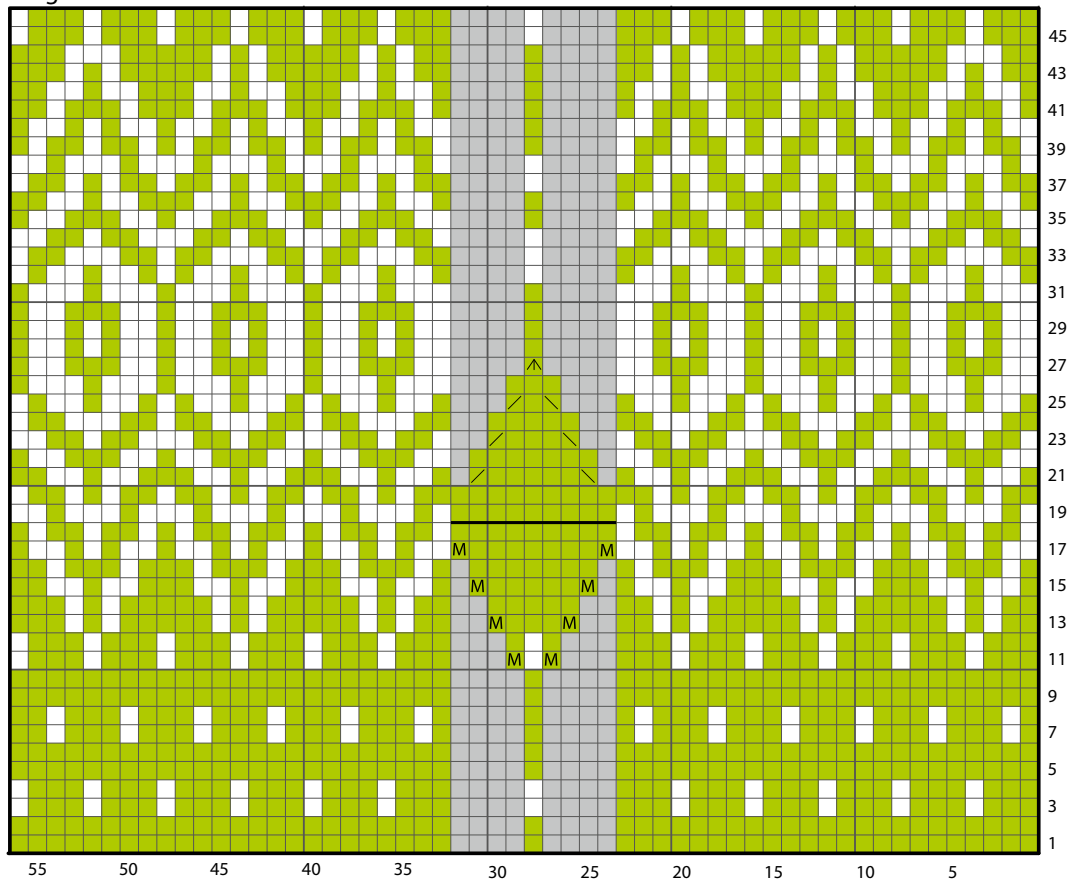


4 Repeat steps 2-3 across until all the stitches have been grafted and weave the yarn in to finish off neatly.

Small-Medium



Large



SMALL-MEDIUM SIZE ONLY

Next round (S2kpo), rep to last 2 sts, k2tog. [5 sts]

LARGE SIZE ONLY

Next round (S2kpo) to end. [6 sts]

FINISHING

Draw yarn through remaining sts, pull tight and weave in any loose ends. Gently block the mittens to shape, following any special care instructions on the ball band. 🧶

HOW TO USE OUR CHARTS

Start at the bottom right-hand corner. Read all rounds from right to left. A row of squares represents a row of knitting.