



EASY FINGERLESS GLOVES KNITTING PATTERN

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This is an intermediate knitting pattern for those who can knit a basic scarf and are ready to try knitting in the round. It's knit with 4 needles in one piece so there are no seams to sew when you are done. It knits quickly. Once you've made a few of these you'll be ready to vary the stitch pattern. It is a simple pattern that lends itself to endless creative variations.

This is a basic pattern for a traditional Canadian Fingerless Glove – the kind farmers and fishermen use at work. Gloves with fingers get taken off so you can tie a knot or undo a bale of hay. We've lost many a mitten that got taken off, "just for a minute." Fingerless gloves don't need to be taken off to do work.

Young people like these kinds of gloves, too. They keep the hand warm while still giving you finger dexterity. If it gets particularly cold, you can pull your fingers deeper in the palm to stay warm.

You'll need:

- 1 skein – 4 oz. of sports weight yarn (I used [Joybilee Farm natural brown](#))
- 1 set of 5mm double pointed needles
- 1 3mm crochet hook to weave in the ends

Notions:

- 2 stitch markers
- 1 stitch holder

Gauge: 5 stitches per inch and 7 rows per inch on 5mm needles in stockinet

Cast on:

Cast on 40 stitches plus 1

Place 16 stitches on the first needle, 12 stitches on the second needle, and 13 stitches on the 3rd needle. Join in the round without twisting stitches.



Cuff:

2x 2 Ribbing: Knit 2, Pearl 2 around the circle until you get to the last stitch on needle 3. Slip this stitch onto needle one and knit this stitch together with the first stitch on needle one. Gap closed.

Knit in k2p2 rib until the cuff measures 5 inches.

Next row: Knit in stockinet for 20 stitches. Increase 1 stitch. Knit 20. (41 stitches)

Next row: Knit

Next row: Knit 20, place marker, knit 20.

Thumb Gusset:

Row 1: Knit to marker, slip marker, *M1L, Knit 1, *M1R, place marker (43 stitches)

Row 2: Knit all stitches

Repeat Row 1 and 2 of Thumb gusset until you have 13 stitches between the markers. (53 stitches)

Next row: Repeat row 2.

Next 2 rows Repeat row 1 and 2. (55 stitches)

Hand:

Row 1: Knit to marker. Remove Marker. Move Gusset stitches to stitch holder. Remove marker. Knit to the end of the row. Place marker.

Knit in stockinet until the hand measures 3 ½ inches from the end of the cuff.

Knit in 2 x 2 rib for 1 inch.

Cast off loosely in 2 x 2 rib. **Final stitch** – finish by making an extra stitch in the loop of the first stitch in the row and cast off through this stitch to close the gap. Break the yarn 2 inches from the stitch. Feed the end of the yarn through the loop and pull tight to close the stitch, leaving a 2 inch tail.

Thumb:

Move gusset stitches onto two needles – 8 stitches on needle 1 and 7 stitches needle 2. With a third needle pick up 3 stitches in the thumb crotch. (18 stitches).

Row 1 and 2: Knit in the round for 2 rows.



Row 3: Knit in the round until needle 3. Knit the last stitch on needle two together with the first stitch on needle 3. (1 stitch decreased). Knit 1. Knit the last stitch on needle 3 with the first stitch on needle 1. (2nd stitch decreased – 16 stitches) Move the stitches around so that there are 8 stitches on needle 1, 4 stitches on needle 2, and 4 stitches on needle 3.

Row 4 to 6: Knit in the round

Row 7 to 11: Knit in 2 x 2 rib.

Cast off loosely in 2 x 2 rib.

Final stitch – finish by making an extra stitch in the loop of the first stitch in the row and cast off through this stitch to close the gap. Break the yarn 2 inches from the stitch. Feed the end of the yarn through the loop and pull tight to close the stitch, leaving a 2 inch tail.

Finishing:

Turn glove inside out. Using a 3mm crochet hook, weave the loose threads for at least one inch, through the back of the stockinet stitch to hide the loose ends and secure the knitting. Trim thread.

Repeat for glove number 2.

Preparation before wearing -- care:

Wash by hand in hot water with mild soap. Do not agitate. Rinse in the same temperature water that you washed it in, adding 8 drops of eucalyptus essential oil. Allow the work to sit in the rinse water for 10 minutes. Squeeze and then roll in a towel to remove excess moisture.

Lay flat to dry.



Notes: *M1L = Make 1 stitch that slants to the left – With the left needle tip, lift the strand of yarn between the needles from the front to the back. Knit the lifted loop through the back to twist the stitch.

***M1R** = Make 1 stitch that slants to the right – With the left needle tip, lift the strand of yarn between the needles from the back to the front. Knit the lifted loop through the front of the stitch to twist the stitch.