

Twirl Leg Warmers and Mitts

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Skill level: advanced beginner -- knitting with dpns

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Sizes	L,
Leggings length	22.5in
	57cm
Leggings width at heel without stretching	8in
	20.5cm
Mitts length	9.75in
	24.75cm
Mitts width without stretching	8in
	20.5cm

Yarn

Misti Alpaca Tonos Worsted (50% baby alpaca/ 50% merino, 100 gr = approx 218 yards/ 200 meters).

Leg warmers: 2 hanks Mitts: 1 hank

Needles

U.S. 6 (4 mm) double-points (set of 4)

Notions

coilless pin marker

Gauge/Tension

28 sts and 32 rounds = 4 in/ 10 cm in Twirl Cable Rib

Stitch Glossary

LT: left twist = skip 1st stitch, knit next stitch through back loop, slip the skipped stitch purl-wise onto right-hand needle while at the same time slipping the ktbl st.

Twirl Cable Rib:

Rounds 1, 3, 5, 7: *p2, k5; rpt from * to end of round.

Round 2: *p2, LT, k3; rpt from * to end of round.

Round 4: *p2, k1, LT, k2; rpt from * to end of round.

Round 6: *p2, k2, LT, k1; rpt from * to end of round.

Round 8: *p2, k3, LT; rpt from * to end of round.

Leg warmers make 2

To knit

CO 63 sts and divide evenly onto three dpns (21 sts per needle). Join in the round. Place pin marker at join to indicate that this is the 1st needle of the round.

Work in Twirl Cable Rib, completing the 8 rounds 14 times. Then work Round 1 once more = approx. 15 in/ 38 cm from CO.

Ribbing:

Increase round: *p2, k1, kf&b, p1, k2; rpt from * to end = 72 sts.

40 ribbing rounds: *p2, k2; rpt from * to end = approx 6 in/ 15.25 cm of ribbing.

I-cord bind-off:

Cable cast-on 5 sts onto 1st needle at round beginning. Work these 5 sts in I-cord bind-off as follows:

*k4, k2togtbl, replace 5 sts onto left-hand needle; rpt from *.

Continue until 5 sts remain, turn. BO all 5 sts purl-wise. Break yarn leaving 12 in/ 30 cm to sew these bound-off sts to the cast-on sts at beg of I-cord bind-off.

Finishing:

Weave in ends. Block.

Mitts make 2

To knit

CO 56 sts to 3 dpns, placing 21 sts on first needle, 21 sts on second needle and 14 sts on third needle. Place pin marker to mark the first needle of round. Join in the round and work as for leg warmers, completing 7 repeats of Twirl Cable Rib. Then work Round 1 once more.

Thumb opening round:

At beg of round, p1, bind off the next 14 sts loosely, LT, k3, *p2, LT, k3, rpt from * around = 42 sts rem.

Joining round:

Working as Round 3, join the rem 42 sts in the round. Continue Twirl Cable Rib for 2 more repeats, ending with Round 8.

3-stitch I-cord Bind-off:

Cable cast-on 3 sts onto 1st needle at round beg, *k2, k2togtbl, replace 3 sts onto left-hand needle, rpt from * around. Continue until 3 sts rem, turn. Bind off all 3 sts purlwise. Break yarn leaving 12 in/ 30 cm to sew these bound-off sts to the cast-on sts at beg of I-cord bind-off.

Thumb I-cord trim:

Work 3-st attached I-cord as follows: CO 3 sts to dpn. With RS facing, pick up 1 st of the thumb bind-off, *do not turn work but slide sts to right end of dpn, k2, k2togtbl, pick up a new st in the next bound-off st of thumb opening, rpt from * around = approx 16 sts picked up: the 14 bound-off sts + 2 sts at round join.



At end, turn work and bind off all 3 sts purlwise. Break yarn leaving 12 in/30 cm to sew these bound-off sts to the cast-on sts at trim beginning.

Finishing:

Weave in ends and block. *Wear. Enjoy.

Make another pair. Rpt from * until you run
out of yarn and give them to all your friends.

Abbreviations

CO = cast on

beg = begin/ beginning

BO = bind off

dpns = double-point needles

kf&b = knit in front and back of st k2togtbl = knit 2 together through back

loop

ktbl = knit through back loop of st

rem = remain/remaining

rpt = repeat

st/sts = stitch/stitches

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