

MALABRIGO MITTENS

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Materials:

- Malabrigo Worsted, approx. 200 yards.
- Hook size "G" and "H" or size needed for gauge
- Scissors, tape measure, stitch markers

Stitches:

- **Sc2together:**
 - Insert hook in stitch, yarn over, pull up a loop, (2 loops on hook);
 - insert hook in next stitch, yarn over, pull up a loop, (3 loops on hook);
 - yarn over and pull through all loops on hook.
- **Increase Stitch:** Work one single crochet and one double crochet in same stitch.



Cuff: *Cuff is worked in rows.*

- Leaving a 6-7" tail (*you'll use this to sew up cuff at end*) and using smaller hook, chain 12.
- **Row C1:** chain 1, single crochet in same stitch (through both loops); single crochet in back loop only across to last stitch; single crochet through both loops in last stitch. Turn.
- **Row C2 – C24:** Repeat Row C1.
- Fold cuff around your wrist; the fit should be snug but not stretch the fabric out of shape. Add or subtract rows as needed for correct fit, ending with an even number of rows.

Hand: *Remainder of mitten is worked in the round; do not turn at end of rows*

- **Row 1:** Switch to larger hook.
 - With right side facing out and working across top of ribbing, join with single crochet in next stitch;
 - Work 25 single crochet evenly spaced around. Do not join, do not turn.
 - Place stitch marker in first stitch of Row 1 to mark beginning of round.
 - Note: *You should have a total of 26 single crochet along the top edge of cuff ribbing (or 2 single crochet more than the number of rows you did in the cuff above.)*
- **Row 2:**
 - *(Single crochet in next single crochet, double crochet in next single crochet) over next 7 stitches, work **Increase Stitch** (*see above*) in 8th stitch; repeat from * around twice more. (*for an increase of 3 stitches*)
 - Single crochet in next single crochet, double crochet in next single crochet to end of round.

Try mitten on as you go to make sure it fits your hand. If it's too small around your palm, add more Increase Stitches in Row 2 (must be an odd number of increases; 3, 5, 7, etc)

- **Row 3 - 7:** *double crochet in next single crochet, single crochet in next double crochet; repeat from * around.

Try mitten on; top of Row 7 should be at the base of your thumb. Increase or decrease rows as needed for correct fit.

- **Row 8: For Left Hand:**
 - Work in pattern for 4 or 5 stitches, ending on single crochet stitch (*pattern = single crochet in double crochet; double crochet in single crochet*).
 - Chain 6. Skip 6 stitches in row below; single crochet in next double crochet.
 - Work in pattern to end of round.

- *Note: need a bigger thumb opening? Chain 8 or 10 (or any multiple of 2), remembering to skip the same number of stitches in the row below.*
- **Row 8: For Right Hand:**
 - Lay mitten flat, with cuff seam facing up and centered. Place marker in Row 7 stitch at right edge of fold. This will be where your thumb opening will begin.
 - Work in pattern to stitch marker, ending on single crochet stitch.
 - Chain 6. Skip 6 stitches in row below; single crochet in next double crochet.
 - Work in pattern to end of round.
- **Row 9: For Both Hands:**
 - Work in pattern to chain-6;
 - single crochet in each chain across;
 - continue working in pattern to end of round.
- **Row 10 - ? :**
 - Work in pattern around until mitten reaches top of baby finger (*finger opposite your thumb*), approx. 3". Do not fasten off.

Top Shaping: *Where we decrease to make it look pretty*

- Fold mitten in half, with cuff seam facing up and centered. For the right mitten, the thumb opening should start at the right side fold, continuing toward the center of the palm; for the left mitten, the thumb opening should end at the left side fold.
- Place marker in top row on each side of mitten.
- **Row T1:**
 - Work in pattern to 1 stitch before first marker. Sc2tog twice (*see above*).
 - Move marker to first Sc2tog
 - Work in pattern to 1 stitch before next marker. Sc2tog twice.
 - Move marker to first of Sc2tog
 - Work in pattern to end of round.

Repeat Row T1 four more times; you should have 12 stitches remaining. Try mitten on; it should be just a little longer than your longest finger. If you need a longer mitten, work in pattern evenly around 1 more time (no decreases). If you want a shorter mitten, take out last row worked. You'll have a few more stitches to sew together, but it will be fine.

Fasten off, leaving a long enough tail to sew up seam.

After-thought Thumb:

- Join yarn with a single crochet in any double crochet stitch on thumb opening. Work in pattern around thumb opening; you should have 13 stitches (must be odd number). Do not join, do not turn.
- Continue working in pattern until piece reaches top of your thumb, approx. 8 rows.
- Fold thumb in half, place markers in stitch on each side. Single crochet around to 1 stitch before marker, sc2tog. Single crochet around to next marker, sc2tog. Continue to single crochet to end of round.
- Fasten off, leaving long enough tail to sew up seam.

Seaming:

- Turn mitten wrong-side out. Using the tail you left, seam top of mitten, thumb and cuff seam.
- Weave in ends. Turn right-side out. Admire.