

Zigzag Purls

Hat by the Plucky Knitter. Matching mitts by Shelley Brander.



Yarn:	Tools:	Gauge:
Plucky Knitter Snug (70% merino, 20% cashmere, 10% alpaca), 110 yds/115g	US #10 and #7 16" circular needles and #10 double-pointed needles, marker	16 sts and 20 rows over 4"/10cm in Purl Zigzag stitch - must check gauge!
<p>One skein will make the hat OR the mitts, not both. Our hat used 87g out of the 115g skein. Our mitts used 62g. Any difference in gauge will affect yardage and size.</p> <p>Abbreviations: CO = cast on k=knit M1=insert LH needle under horizontal strand between st just worked and next st from front to back, knit through the back loop p=purl PM=place marker rep=repeat rnd(s)=round(s) k2tog=knit next 2 sts together (a decrease of one stitch) p2tog=purl next 2 sts together (a decrease of one stitch) tbl=through back loop</p>	<p>Hat Directions: Using smaller needles, CO 74 sts, PM and join in the rnd. Ribbing: *k1 tbl, p1; rep from * around. Rep last rnd 9 more times. Body set-up increase rnd: k1, M1; knit to end (75 sts) Change to larger needles. Work 20 rnds in Zigzag Purl pattern: Rnd 1: *p1, k4; repeat from * to end Rnd 2: k1, *p1, k4; repeat from * to last 4 sts, p1, k3 Rnd 3: k2, *p1, k4; repeat from * to last 3 sts, p1, k2 Rnd 4: k3, *p1, k4; repeat from * to last 2 sts, p1, k1 Rnd 5: *k4, p1; repeat from * to end Rnd 6: *p1, k4; repeat from * to end Rnd 7: Repeat Rnd 5 Rnd 8: Repeat Rnd 4 Rnd 9: Repeat Rnd 3 Rnd 10: Repeat Rnd 2 Repeat Rnds 1-10 of Zigzag Purl once more for total of 20 rnds.</p>	

Hat (cntd from front):

Begin **Decrease Rounds**, changing to #10 DPNs as necessary:

Rnd 1: *p1, k2, k2tog; repeat from * to end of rnd

Rnd 2: *k1, p1, k2tog; repeat from * to end of rnd

Rnd 3: *k1, p2, p2tog; repeat from * to end of rnd

Rnd 4: *k2tog; repeat from * to end of rnd

To finish, cut yarn, leaving a long enough tail to thread through remaining sts and weave in. Using tapestry needle, thread tail through all sts in a circular manner and cinch closed. Weave in tail to secure and fasten off yarn.

Zigzag Purl Mitts (knit, shown in bottom center photo):

Using smaller needles, CO 24 sts, leaving a 10" tail. Work in Ribbing from hat pattern for 9 rows.

Row 10 of Ribbing: *k1 tbl, p1; repeat from * to last st, M1, p1 (25 sts)

Change to larger needles. Work 20 rnds in Zigzag Purl FLAT pattern (modified for working flat instead of in the round):

Row 1: *p1, k4; repeat from * to end

Row 2: p3, k1, *p4, k1; repeat from * to last st, p1

Row 3: k2, *p1, k4; repeat from * to last 3 sts, p1, k2

Row 4: p1, k1, *p4, k1; repeat from * to last 3 sts, p3

Row 5: *k4, p1; repeat from * to end

Row 6: *p4, K1; repeat from * to end

Row 7: Repeat Row 5

Row 8: Repeat Row 4

Row 9: Repeat Row 3

Row 10: Repeat Row 2

Repeat Rows 1-10 of Zigzag Purl FLAT, for a total of 20 rows.

Switch back to smaller needles and work one decrease row as follows: *k1 tbl, p1; repeat from * to last 2 sts, p2tog (24 sts).

Work *k1 tbl, p1 ribbing for 5 rows more. Cast off very loosely in this rib pattern, leaving an 8" tail.

To finish, use the cast-on tail and mattress stitch to seam from the bottom of the mitt approx. 4" to where you will leave a 1.75" thumb opening. Then use the cast-off tail to seam down approx. 1.25" from the top of the mitt. Weave in ends. Repeat for 2nd mitt.

Simply Perfect Crochet Mitts (shown in bottom right photo) by Mitzi Thomas

Materials: One skein Plucky Knitter Snug and size J (6mm) hook (our mitts used 87g of the 115g skein)

Abbreviations: Hdc tbl=half double crochet through the back loop; sl st=slip stitch

Directions:

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Row 1: Hdc in 3rd ch from hook, hdc across, ch 2, turn

Row 2: Hdc tbl in each st, ch2, turn (24 sts)

Repeat Row 2, 9 times for a total of 10 rows (You can add or subtract rows here to adjust size larger or smaller.)

Row 12: Hdc tbl in each st, ch1

Fold piece horizontally and sl st across 15 st from both edges creating a side seam, bind off. Sl st 5 stitches at top of side seam to create thumb hole of 4 sts. Turn right side out, ch1 and sc around top of mitt. Finish with a sl st in ch1, bind off and weave in ends.

Note: Find more photos and pattern ideas in the Loopalicious group on Ravelry.com!

