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"Cold hands, warm heart", is one of our favorite adages. These "Friolero" mittens--Spanish for someone sensitive to the cold--is the perfect pattern to warm the hands of any warm-hearted person in your life! These simple, fetching mittens are knitted up with Colorado's own yarn, Junegrass: Batch Two. With an easy cable pattern and simple gusset thumb, these will definitely become a wintertime favorite!

## FRIOLERO MITTENS PATTERN

## MATERIALS

1 skein Junegrass: Batch 2, or 160 yards of DK weight yarn

## TOOLS

US 3 ( 3.25 mm ) needles ( $32^{\prime \prime}$ circulars for magic loops or DPNs), 4 stitch markers (2 sets of different markers), tapestry needle, cable needle

## GAUGE

24 sts over 4" in stockinette

## SIZE

Will fit palm size of 7" around, stretch up to 9"


## ABBREVIATIONS

k: knit
p: pur|
ssk: slip, slip, knit
st(s): stitch(es)
pm: place marker
sm: slip marker
k2tog: knit 2 stitches together
Kfb: knit into front and back of stitch
ktbl: knit through back loop
ml : make a raised increase

## GLOSSARY

lxl Twisted Rib: (ktbl, pl)*, *repeat to end
LKC: Place one stitch on cable needle and hold to FRONT of work, kl, kl from cable needle

LPC: Place one stitch on cable needle and hold to FRONT of work, pl, kl from cable needle
RPC: Place one stitch on cable needle, hold to BACK of work, pl, kl from cable needle
RKC: Place one stitch on cable needle and hold to BACK of work, kl, kl from cable needle

## FRIOLERO MITTENS

## CUFF

Left Mitten(Right Mitten)
Cast on 48 sts, work 1xl Twisted Rib for 2"

Purl one round

## CABLE \& THUMB SETUP

Round 1: Place unique marker for beginning of round, k7(31), pm, starting on round 4 of Cable Chart A--work chart over $10 \mathrm{sts}, \mathrm{pm}, \mathrm{k}$ to end of round. ( 48 sts ) Round 2: Sm, ml, place unique marker for end of thumb gusset, $k$ to $m$, sm, work round 5 of Cable Chart A, sm, $k$ to end of round. (49 sts)
Round 3 : $\mathrm{Sm}, \mathrm{ml}, \mathrm{kl}, \mathrm{ml}, \mathrm{sm}, \mathrm{k}$ to m , sm, work round 6 of Cable Chart A, sm, $k$ to end of round. ( 51 sts total, 3 sts between thumb gusset markers)

Note: You should now be ready to work Round 1 of Cable Chart A. Continue repeating Cable Chart A while you work the thumb gusset.

## THUMB GUSSET

Round l: Sm, kfb, knit to 1 st before marker, kfb, sm, k to $m$, sm, work Cable Chart A, sm, $k$ to end of round. ( 53 sts total: 5 thumb gusset sts, 48 mitten sts)
Round 2: Sm, knit to next marker, sm, k to m, sm, work Cable Chart A, sm, $k$ to end of round.

Repeat these two rounds 7 times more, then repeat Round 1 once more. ( 69 sts total, 21 sts between thumb gusset markers)

At this point you should have just worked Round 5 of Cable Chart A. Remove the thumb gusset stitches as follows:

Round 18: Sm, place 21 sts on holder or waste yarn, remove marker, $k$ to $m$, sm, work round 6 of Cable Chart A, sm, knit to end of round. (48 sts)

## MITTEN

You will now begin working Cable Chart B, starting on round 4.

Round 1: Sm, k to m, sm, work Cable Chart B, sm, knit to end of round. (48 sts)

Continue working Mitten Round 1, working through Cable Chart B a total of three times, then rounds $1 \& 2$ once more.

Resolve cable as follows:
Round 19: Sm, $k$ to $m, s m, ~ p l, ~ k 8, ~ p l, ~ s m, ~ k ~ t o ~ e n d . ~$
Round 20: Sm, k to m, remove marker, pl, k8, pl, remove marker, $k$ to end.
Round 21: k6(30), LKC, LPC, k4, RPC, RKC, $k$ to end. Round 22: k7(31), LKC, LPC, k2, RPC, RKC, $k$ to end.
Round 23: k8(32), LKC, LPC, RPC, RKC, $k$ to end
Round 24: k9(33), LKC, k2, RKC, $k$ to end
Round 25: K to end of round.

## DECREASES

Round 1: (K2tog, k8, ssk) repeat to end of round. (40 sts, 8 sts decreased)
Rounds 2 - 3: K to end of round.
Round 4: (K2tog, k6, ssk) repeat to end of round. (32 sts) Rounds 5-6: K to end of round.
Round 7: (K2tog, k4, ssk) repeat to end of round. (24 sts)
Rounds 8-9: K to end of round.
Round 10: (K2tog, k2, ssk) repeat to end of round. (16 sts)
Round 11-12: K to end of round.
Round 13: (K2tog, ssk) repeat to end of round. (8 sts)

Break yarn and thread tail onto tapestry needle. Draw through remaining stitches, and weave end in to secure.

## THUMB

Round 1: Starting at the middle of the thumb gap at palm, pick up 3 sts, removing waste yarn pick up 21 thumb sts, pick up 2 more stitches from the remaining thumb gap (26 sts).
Round 2: k2, k2tog, k19, k2tog, kl (24 stitches)
Round 3: Knit to end of round.
Repeat Round 3 until thumb is $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ shorter than desired finished length, about 1 1/4" from crook of thumb.

## CHART A



## THUMB DECREASES

Round 1: (K4, k2tog), repeat to end (2O sts)
Round 2: Knit to end of round.
Round 3: (K3, k2tog), repeat to end. (16 sts)
Round 4: Knit to end of round.
Round 5: (K2, k2tog), repeat to end. (12 sts)
Round 6: (K1, k2tog), repeat to end. (8 sts)
Round 7: K2tog to end of round. (4 sts)

Break yarn and thread tail onto tapestry needle. Draw through remaining stitches, and weave ends in to secure. Wet block in warm water, laying flat to dry.

## CHART B



## CHART KEY

- purl place 2 stitches on cable needle and hold to FRONT of work. Knit 2, then knit 2 from the cable needle

