

Koigu Wristers



For the Koigu Wristers:

Materials: 1 skein Koigu or about 120 yards of any fingering/sock weight yarn that will give you a gauge of 8 sts/inch

With size #1 (2.25mm) DPNs I cast on 52 stitches (my gauge is 8/sts) you want the mitts snug but not strangulating so if you need more room just increase by groups of 4 ie: cast on 52 – 56 - 60 - 64 ect. – you can also make smaller mitts by decreasing in groups of 4. If you add more stitches, you might need to add a couple of thumb gusset stitches too...I suggest you make the 52 (or 56) stitch ones with no changes to the gusset to check for fit and once you get the pattern and see how it works for you, you can play around some.

Cast on and join being careful not to twist

Work in K2, P2 ribbing for 30 rounds or desired length

Switch to stockinette and work 6 rounds

At the start of the next round, place a marker, M1, K1, M1, place another marker - this is the thumb gusset and you'll increase 2 stitches using a Make 1 every other row -- I also move some stitches from needle #4 to needle #1 to "hold" the first marker in place but I clip a locking stitch marker to the actual first stitch so I always know where my actual first stitch is. Also, I don't bother with right and left M1 cause it doesn't show and the left ones are *much* easier to do!

Work rounds in stockinette increasing 1 stitch after the first marker and 1 stitch before the second marker using a M1 every other row

Continuing in stockinette, increasing 2 stitches at the gusset every other row until there are 19 stitches between the markers

On the next row, place the 19 thumb stitches on a stitch holder and continue working the rounds as established. - increasing 1 stitch to return to original stitch count!

I worked 14 rounds of stockinette before I started the ribbing and my mitts come to just below the first joint of each finger. Decrease the stockinette rounds if you prefer a shorter wrist.

Work 8 rows of K2, P2 ribbing, bind off loosely (but not too loosely) I prefer the look of an all knit bind off to binding off in ribbing but it can get tight if you don't bind off loosely!

Place the 19 thumb stitches on 2 DPNs and with the third, pick up and knit 5 stitches in the space where the thumb joins the hand - you'll have 24 stitches (move the stitches around so you have 8 on each of 3 DPNs)

Work 4 rounds in stockinette then work 6 rounds in K2, P2 ribbing

Bind off loosely. (again, I don't bind off in ribbing, I like the look of an all knit bind off better)

Enjoy!! :)