

## Short n Sweet Fingerless Mitts by Anne Sahakian



Dress it up or dress it down. A little bit lace and a little bit traditional. Give your hands a treat and just enough warmth with these soft Alpaca & silk blend fingerless mitts.

**Yarn:** 2 skeins Elann Peruvian Baby Silk, 80% Alpaca/20% Silk, 25 gms/109 yards (100m), Aubergine #1805

**Needle size:** Size 2 US (2.75 mm) double pointed needles – set of 4 or 5

**Notions:** St markers, waste yarn, darning needle

**Gauge:** 7 sts and 10 rows = 1" over St st

**Note:** Be sure to check gauge. Not all fingering/ sock weight yarns are created equal.

### **ABBREVIATIONS**

**k** - knit

**p** - purl

**pm, sm, rm** – place marker, slip marker, remove marker.

**ssk** = slip, slip, knit - slip 1 stitch, then slip the next; insert left needle into front loops of the slipped stitches, knit them together.

**k2tog** – knit 2 stitches together

**yo** – yarn over

**slk2p** – slip 1 st purlwise, k2tog, pass slipped st over

**M1L** = Make 1 Left slant – With left needle tip, lift strand between sts from front to back. Knit the lifted st through the back.

**M1R** = Make 1 Right slant – With left needle tip, lift strand between sts from back to front, Knit the lifted st through the front.

**Cuff:**

Cast on 52 stitches. Distribute sts between 3 needles (26-13-13). Join being careful not to twist the sts.

**Rnds 1 & 2:** Purl around.

**Rnds 3 & 4:** Knit around.

**Rnd 5:** (k1, yo) twice, k7, ssk, slk2p, k2tog, k7, yo, k1, yo, knit to end of round.

**Rnds 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, & 18:** knit around

**Rnd 7:** k2, yo, k1, yo, k6, ssk, slk2p, k2tog, k6, yo, k1, yo, knit to end of round.

**Rnd 9:** k3, yo, k1, yo, k5, ssk, slk2p, k2tog, k5, yo, k1, yo, knit to end of round.

**Rnd 11:** k4, yo, k1, yo, k4, ssk, slk2p, k2tog, k4, yo, k1, yo, knit to end of round.

**Rnd 13:** k5, yo, k1, yo, k3, ssk, slk2p, k2tog, k3, yo, k1, yo, knit to end of round.

**Rnd 15:** k6, yo, k1, yo, k2, ssk, slk2p, k2tog, k2, yo, k1, yo, knit to end of round.

**Rnd 17:** k7, yo, k1, yo, k1, ssk, slk2p, k2tog, k1, yo, k1, yo, knit to end of round.

**Rnd 19:** k8, yo, k1, yo, ssk, slk2p, k2tog, yo, k1, yo, knit to end of round.

**Rnds 20 thru 24:** Knit around.

**NOTE:** If you would like a longer mitt, knit more rounds at this point, before starting the gusset set up.

**Thumb Gusset Set Up:**

This mitt has a palm gusset, which is set up by separating all of the stitches that will be used for the thumb and making symmetrical increases to the hand as you work the glove body. Be sure to knit a left and right mitt.

**Right Hand**

**Rnd 1:** knit 20, M1R, pm, k18, pm, M1L, k14.

**Rnd 2:** Knit around.

**Rnd 3:** Knit to first marker, M1R, sm, k18, sm, M1L, knit to end of rnd.

### **Left Hand**

**Rnd 1:** knit 6, pm, M1L, K34, M1R, pm, k12.

**Rnd 2:** Knit around.

**Rnd 3:** Knit to first marker, sm, M1L, knit to marker, M1R, sm, knit to end of rnd.

Repeat rnds 2 & 3 for both hands until you have 52 sts outside of markers. There will still be 18 sts between the markers.

Knit around for **2 more rounds**.

### **Right Hand:**

**Next Rnd:** Knit to marker, rm, place 18 thumb sts onto waste yarn, rm, join and knit to end of round.

Knit next round distributing sts on 3 ndls (26 - 13 - 13) or 4 ndls (13 – 13 – 13 – 13)

### **Left Hand:**

**Next Rnd:** knit 6, sm, knit to **second marker**, rm, place 18 sts into waste yarn (next 12 sts and first 6 sts from next needle), rm.

Join and knit next rnd distributing sts on needles as for right hand.

**Both Hands:** Continue in stocking stitch (knit all rounds) for 11 more rnds.

**Next Rnd:** (k2tog, k24) twice. (50 sts total)

### **Finger Space Ribbing:**

**Rnds 1 & 3:** \*k3, p2; repeat from \* around.

**Rnd 2:** \*k1, yo, k2tog, p2; repeat from \* around.

**Rnd 4:** \*ssk, yo, k1, p2; repeat from \* around.

**Repeat** Rnds 1 & 2 once more.

**Next,** \*k3, p2; repeat from \* around.

Bind off in k3, p2 rib.

### **Thumb**

Place 18 sts from waste yarn onto 3 ndls (6 – 6 – 6).

Join yarn and k18. Pick up and knit 5 sts in the gap between the ndls. (23 sts)

**Next Rnd:** k18, k2tog, k1, ssk, (21 sts)

**Next Rnd:** Knit around.

**Next:** k17, k2tog, ssk (19 sts)

**Next:** k17, k2tog (18 sts)

**Next:** knit around.

### **For thumb ribbing:**

**Rnd 1:** \*p1, k2tog, yo; repeat from \* around.

**Rnd 2 & 4:** \*p1, k2; repeat from \* around.

**Rnd 3:** \*p1, yo, ssk; repeat from \* around.

Bind off in p1, k2 rib.

Weave in all loose ends. Enjoy!



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